Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

A joyous welcome to you! We are glad each of you has come to worship the Lord. We are a hearing looped church.

Ask an usher if you need help with your hearing device.

The 9:09 Bluegrass Service

Welcome

Music

"We Gather Together"
"Give Thanks"

Special Announcements\Joy Time

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

(During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.)

Music "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart"

Scripture

Luke 23:33-43

A Word of Faith

Music

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Sending Forth

Closing Music

"I'll Fly Away"

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **November** we're collecting new unwrapped toys for **Toys for Tots**.

Thank you to everyone who supports our monthly ministries.

Attendance on November 17th 9:09-126

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10:50-67

We are collecting used backpacks for Haywood Street shelter. Please drop off at the church.

Women's Breakfast ~ There will be no women's Saturday morning breakfast in December.

Birthday Wishes to (November 24) Sara Mayer; (November 25) Linda Dryman, Sheri McGaughy; (November 27) Rick Willeford; (November 29) Kristy Lewis, Nancy Sutton

Happy Anniversary to (November 25) Ken & Carol Wheeler; (November 27) Bill & Ruth Watkins; (November 30) Ray & Becky McCaskill

Needed: Men's winter coats sizes large and extra large. Please place donations in the Food Pantry bins located around the church.

Birthdays & Anniversaries - If your birthday or anniversary is not listed in the bulletin please contact the church office with your dates!

Set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings on the website: www.highlandsmethodist.org

You can also give on the kiosk in the Faith & Fellowship Center



Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 10/31/19

ActualBudgetContributions\$601,480\$623,540Expenses\$598,290\$644,720Net Income (deficit)\$3,190(\$21,180)

Faith & Fellowship Center ~ Year-to-Date - 10/31/19

Bank Loan Balance \$1,135,630 Unrestricted Capital Cash \$338,990 Balance Due \$796,640

Sunday School for All

Adult Sunday School Classes

The Apostles' class

meets in the church parlor and is led by Wiley & Sarah Sloan. (9:30am)

Seekers meet in the Conference Room and is led by Steve Bruner (9:45am)



The 10:10 class

meets in the scout room and is led by Bob Hood. (10:00am)

Crossroads meets between services ~ 20's -50's - Study-Social Activities-Service Projects

Children's Sunday School - Meet in the Children's Sunday School Room at 10:00am.

Youth Sunday Chats! - Meet in the Youth Center between services.



To receive Pastor Randy's daily email devotions, "Ruminations and Reflections", please email him at randyhumc@icloud.com

To receive **church email updates and news** please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com



Like us on Facebook ~ Can't make it to church on a Sunday? You can now watch our worship services each Sunday on Facebook. Look for the latest happenings and church news.

Scan the **QR Code** on your smart phone to go to the church website

Find out about upcoming events, ministries, how to serve and much more.



A Look Ahead

Community Thanksgiving Dinner ~ Tuesday, **November 26th** at 6:00pm at the Highlands Rec park. Prepared meals will be delivered to anyone in need. Let us know if you are anyone would like a meal delivered and for how many. See Kristy Lewis to volunteer.

No Wednesday Night Supper ~ Wednesday, November 27th.

Thanksgiving Day ~ The church will be closed Thursday and Friday, **November 28th and 29th**. Happy Thanksgiving!

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony ~ Ring in the holiday season with the Town Christmas Tree lighting at the Kelsey Hutchinson Park on Saturday, November 30th at 6:30pm. The Town Carolers will lead us in Christmas Carols as we all join together this holiday season. You may also enjoy homemade cookies & hot chocolate. After the Tree Lighting the children can visit with Santa.

Deck the Halls ~ On Wednesday Night, **December 4th**, join us after supper for "*Deck The Halls*". Something for all ages as we decorate the Faith & Fellowship Center for Advent & Christmas.

Highlands Christmas Parade ~Saturday, **December 7th** at 11:00am. The Camels are Coming! After the parade meet back at the church for hot cider, cookies, fellowship, and picture taking with the camels. Volunteers are need to carry the sign and 1 king -costume provided. Call Gay at 526-2746.

Breakfast with Santa ~ On Saturday, **December 14th** join us for a very special family tradition! Families are invited to gather at 8:30am for breakfast followed by a visit from Santa Claus! Reservations are requested as space is limited, so please call the church office at 526-3376 by Wednesday, December 11th. Suggested donation of \$10 per family

The Highlands Community Christian Chorale

Saturday, **December 14th** & Sunday, **December 15th** at 5:00pm at The Episcopal Church with a reception following Sunday's presentation.

Church-wide Caroling ~ Join us on Wednesday, **December 18th** as we spread Christmas cheer through song! Meet at HUMC at 3:30pm to carpool to Chestnut Hill, Fidelia Eckerd Nursing Home, & homes of our church family to participate in some good ole' Christmas caroling. Wear something festive!

The Mountain Top Ringers will present their annual Christmas concert on **December 18th** at 6:00pm - right after our regular church supper. This concert will feature Christmas songs, both sacred and secular, a few familiar sing-alongs, some special children's songs, and a surprise (shhhh) ending.

Women's Brunch ~ Saturday, **January 25th** from 10:00-1:00pm. Featuring Lee Lyons-Master Story Teller. \$15 per person or \$120 per table of 8. All proceeds benefit the HUMC F&FC Fund. Contact Gwen Futch for reservations at 843-267-8559.

You can order a Poinsettia for the 10:50 worship service on Sunday, December 15th on the church website, the kiosk, or pick up a form at one of the Information/Donation Stations.

Wednesday Evening Activities for Youth

6:00-7:00pm ~ Meet in big preschool room.

Pumpkin Rolls are on sale for a cost of \$15. Proceeds will be used to buy supplies for our Snack Backpack Program with Highlands School. Each week we send snacks home for those kids in need.

The Community Table is a weekly meal for everyone in the community. There is **NO cost** and **NO** need to make a reservation. Join us at **6pm each Tuesday** at the Highlands Community Building. Will not have a meal on December 24th & 31st.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Christ the King Sunday

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal; † Congregation standing

Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of prayer and meditation

Large print copies of the hymnals and Bible are available in the narthex.

Gathering

Welcome/Passing of the Peace

Church Announcements

Opening Voluntary Come, Ye Thankful People Come arr. George Job Elvey

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise "Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH #327

Scripture Reading Colossians 1:11-20 pew Bible, p.200

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Yes, My Jesus Loves Me -Mary McDonald (During this time you may bring your Ministry Bag to the altar.)

†Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #94

†Offering Prayer

†Hymn of the Word "Rejoice, the Lord is King" UMH #715

Sharing of Our Concerns

(If you would like your prayer request to be added to the prayer list in the bulletin please indicate on the prayer request card.)

Call to Prayer Hear Our Prayer -George Whelpton

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand -Samuel Stennett, arr. Les Scott

Scripture Reading Luke 23:33-43 pew Bible, p.89

Sermon Jesus, Remember Me

†Hymn of Faith "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" UMH #301

Dismissal with Blessing "Jesus, Remember Me"

Postlude Thanksgiving Medley arr. Bruner



Check out our Donation Stations across from the church office and in the F&FC.

Here we collect items for various missions including:

Food Pantry - Items most needed: shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dishwashing liquid, canned fruit,. Anyone in need, either temporarily or regularly, may visit the Food Pantry on Mondays from 3:30 – 5:30pm. The Pantry is located behind HUMC on 3rd Street.

Homeless Outreach Sample size or hotel shampoos and soap. These are given to area homeless shelters.

Life Challenge - Life Challenge is a Christian Residential Center created to help women with life controlling issues. We support this program by providing gently-used clothing, household items, and small furniture for their Resale Shop in Dillsboro.

Printer Cartridges: Collected for Highlands School. Please bring in a Ziplock bag.

Eye Glasses - Glasses are for multiple mission projects

Can Tabs - collected for the Ronald McDonald House

Box Tops for Education - Collected for the Highlands School

Blank Note Cards - Used for special projects

Prayer Bear Ministry - Gently used small stuffed bears

Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic - new toothbrushes and sample size toothpaste

Humane Society - food and treats for dogs and cats

Altar Flowers for the sanctuary: The Altar Guild of HUMC welcomes the gift of flowers for our 10:50 worship service. Flowers may be given to remember or honor loved ones, to give thanks, or to celebrate a special event, such as a birthday, anniversary, or a baptism. The cost for altar arrangements is \$55. Special order arrangements may cost more. Please fill out one of the forms beneath the calendar, outside Randy's office, and place in Sonja's box across from the church office or call the church office in the week. **Flowers are needed for December 29.**

The last of the six Special Sunday Offerings, The United Methodist Student Day Offering will be taken up next Sunday. It furnishes scholarships and loans for students attending United Methodist-related and other accredited colleges and universities.

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Jerry Moore; Greeters: Team 2; Technologist: Tom Herring

The 9:09 Band: Lee Ladensack - Vocals & guitar; Dakota Waddell - Bass; Charles Wood - Banjo; Jim Yoder - Mandolin

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Randy Lucas; Minister of Music: Les Scott; Accompanist: Sherry Bruner; Lay Reader: Jason Moore; Vocalist: Lisa Stanhope, Piano: Ingrida Barrow

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 4: Team Leader: Hammond Rauers; Team Members: Naomi Chastain, Fred Motz, Fred Smith, Ed Mawyer





Highlands United Methodist Church November 24, 2019