

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 "Calling You"
"Do Lord"

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 "I Surrender All"

Scripture John 1:35-51

A Word of Faith

Music "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **January** we're collecting: toothpaste, shampoo, household cleaners, laundry detergent, toilet paper, hand soap, deodorant, and canola oil for **The Food Pantry**.

Thank you to everyone who supports our monthly ministries.

Birthday Wishes to (January 21) Terri Potts; (January 22) Virginia Nix; (January 24) Julie Jared; (January 25) Tim Moseley

Happy Anniversary to (January 19) Wiley & Sarah Sloan; (January 24) Gus & Jan Lard

Weather Related Announcements - We are looking to compile a list of email addresses for our year-round residents who are most likely to be impacted by weather-related cancellations and schedule changes during the winter months. If you would like to receive weather-related notifications via email, please contact the church office at highlandsumc@icloud.com. If you do not have access to email or our Facebook Page, please let the church office know.

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

Giving

Operating Fund ~ Year-to-Date - 12/31/19

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$767,286	\$774,301
Expenses	\$732,834	\$774,301
Net Income (deficit)	\$34,834	\$0.00

Faith & Fellowship Center ~ Year-to-Date - 12/31/19

Bank Loan Balance	\$960,538
Unrestricted Capital Cash	\$422,081
Balance Due	\$538,457

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

Office Closed ~ Monday, January 20th ~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

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.

Super Bowl Party ~ **Sunday, February 2nd at 6:00pm** - Everyone is invited to join us for a Super Bowl watch party in our Faith and Fellowship Center. Please bring your favorite game day dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

Staff Planning Retreat ~ **Monday, February 3rd** - the Staff will be away from the office for a planning retreat. The office will be open.

2020 Leadership Retreat - Our annual leadership retreat will be held once again at the Pinnacle Retreat Center in Clayton, Georgia on Saturday, **February 8th** from 10am - 3pm with lunch provided. This gathering for prayer and planning is open to our entire HUMC family. However, we do need to provide an accurate number for lunch, along with any dietary restrictions. If you plan to attend, please contact the church office no later than Monday, January 27th at 12 noon.

Heart of Highlands ~ **Sunday, February 9th** ~ dinner, dance, and presentation of King & Queen at 5:30pm. Sign-up sheets can be found places around the church, you can sign up on the kiosk, and on the church website.

Ash Wednesday, February 26th - Supper at 5:15pm with an Ash Wednesday Service following at 6:00pm in the Faith and Fellowship Center

Wednesday Evening Activities for Youth

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

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.

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

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 January 26, and February 9 & 23.**

Be on the lookout for your 2019 Giving Statement. They will be mailed this year at the end of January.

Attendance on January 5th 9:09-81 10:50-73

The Joy Group will not meet on Monday, January 20th.

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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 *How Great Is Our God* arr. Cindy Berry
 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise **"Great is Thy Faithfulness"** UMH #140

Scripture Reading **Psalm 40:1-11** pew Bible, p.513

Affirmation of Faith **The Apostles' Creed** UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The Potter's Hand* -Todd Beaney
(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 **"The Summons"** TFWS #2130

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 *Lord, Hear Our Prayer* -Mark Patterson

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 *Who At My Door is Standing?* -K. Lee Scott

Scripture Reading **John 1:35-51** pew Bible, p.92

Sermon **This Is My Story**

†Hymn of Faith **"Just As I Am"** UMH #357

Dismissal with Blessing **"Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

Postlude *Oh, How I Love Him* arr. S. 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

Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace Through Separation

- On Monday, January 13th the United Methodist News Agency hosted a live-streamed Q & A session with the 16 member panel that developed and presented the proposal for General Conference that became public on January 3rd. This youtube video is approximately an hour in length and reflects on the process and purpose of their shared mediated work, and will hopefully answer some of the early questions you may have. Providing you with access to Monday's recorded conversation is representative of our ongoing efforts to keep you accurately informed. And, as always, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Randy with any questions or concerns. Contact Sonja to get the youtube video link.

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The 9:09 Service: Sermon: Christine Murphy; Worship Leader: Ken Knight; Greeters: Team 2; Technologist: Elizabeth Gordon

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

10:50 Worship Leaders: Sermon: Christine Murphy; Choir Director: Lisa Gottwals; Accompanist: Sherry Burner; Lay Reader: Sarah Knight

Serving our 10:50 Service: Ushers: Team 3: Team Leader: Lora Speed Beegle; Team Members: Alan Marsh, Dave Cashion, Luke Osteen, & Tricia Smith



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

Highlands United
Methodist Church

January 19, 2020