

## 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 "I Saw the Light"  
"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

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 "Just a Closer Walk With Thee"

Scripture Matthew 5:13-20

A Word of Faith

Music "This Little Light of Mine"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

## GET CONNECTED

To receive Pastor Randy's **daily email devotions**, "Ruminations and Reflections", please email him at [randyhumc@icloud.com](mailto:randyhumc@icloud.com)

To receive **church email updates and news** please email Sonja at [highlandsumc@icloud.com](mailto: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.



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

### Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **February** we're collecting: travel-sized shampoo and toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, socks, band-aids, feminine hygiene products, soap, hairbrushes and combs for **Homeless Missions**.

**Thank you to everyone who supports our monthly ministries.**

**Birthday Wishes to** (February 9) Gina Cogswell; (February 10) Al Bolt, Emily Buskirk, Wilma Gordon; (February 11) Hudson Tilley; (February 12) Barbara Newton; (February 13) Vance Bailey, Jeff Weller

**Happy Anniversary to** (February 14) Ronnie & Terri Crowe

**Be on the lookout for your 2019 Giving Statement.** Statements have been emailed if we have your email address, otherwise they were mailed.

**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](mailto:highlandsumc@icloud.com). If you do not have access to email or our Facebook Page, please let the church office know.

## A Look Ahead

**Please note - Our 2020 Leadership Retreat has been RESCHEDULED** - The Leadership Retreat is now scheduled for Saturday, February 29th from 10am - 3pm.

**Heart of Highlands ~ Today** ~ dinner, dance, and presentation of King & Queen at 5:30pm.

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

**Emergency American Red Cross Blood Drive at HUMC** ~ Thursday, **March 5th** from 11am-4pm. Kristy Lewis will be serving as the Director of our Blood Drive. The Drive will be held in the old Fellowship Hall. Appointments will be available every 15 minutes. Please see Kristy to sign up.

**Youth Lock-In** ~ April 24-25

**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!

**Disciple IV Bible Study "Under the Tree of Life"** - This 32 week study will focus on the Old Testament Writings, the New Testament Gospel and Letters of John, and the Book of Revelation. The study will begin with an Orientation Session on Sunday, February 23rd at 7pm in the upstairs former Fellowship Hall. Please let Pastor Randy know by Sunday, February 9th if you would like to be part of this study.

**Attendance on February 2nd** 9:09-97 10:50-75

**Office Volunteer Needed** - We could use a little volunteer office help answering the telephone Friday morning February 14th from 9am - 12noon. If you are available, and would be interested, please contact Sonja in the church office - 526-3376. And special thanks to Mary Ann Ray for answering the telephone while the office staff was attending their annual planning retreat.

**The Winter Brunch Steering Committee** wants to say thank you to the men who served and worked in the kitchen, the ladies who served as hostesses and Sherry Bruner who gifted us with her music at our Women's Winter Brunch. Lee Lyons was our wonderful speaker. Through the generosity of our attendees we were able to raise \$3,516 for our Building Fund.

## DID YOU KNOW?

For the past 2 years HUMC has provided snack backpacks weekly for students who need extra help. Our annual pumpkin roll sales fund this valuable program. Thank you for your support!

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Fifth 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 Spirit Song arr. M. Hayes

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise “Change My Heart, O God” TFWS #2152

Scripture Reading Isaiah 58:1-9a pew Bible, p.688

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH p.881

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory How Deep the Father's Love for Us arr. Carol Tornquist  
(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 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” UMH #206

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 Shines the Light -Lee & Susan Naus Dengler

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:13-20 pew Bible, p.4

Sermon Sermon (Series) on the Mount  
Sermon #2 "A Better Righteousness"

†Hymn of Faith “This Little Light of Mine”

Dismissal with Blessing "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Postlude Shine, Jesus Shine arr. M. Hayes



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 February 23, March 8, 15, 22, & 29, April 26, and May 10, 17, & 24.**

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**Church Staff:** Rev. Randy Lucas, Senior Pastor; Les Scott, Minister of Music; Sonja DeFoor, Office Manager; Keith Crawford, Financial Secretary; Christine Murphy, Director of Children & Youth Ministries; Sherry Bruner, Pianist; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Kristy Lewis, Food Services Director; Terri Kennedy, Nursery Attendant

**The 9:09 Service:** Sermon: Randy Lucas; Worship Leader: Christine Murphy; Greeters: Team 5; Technologist: Jerry Moore

**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: John Baumrucker; Vocals: John Baumrucker; Flute: Paula Gordon; Guitar: Greg Parrot; Violin: Melinda Spring; Guitar: King Young

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



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February 9, 2020