

Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

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

The 9:09 Bluegrass Service

Welcome

Music "Put Your Hand in the Hand"
"Since Jesus Came Into My Heart"

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Joys

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

Music "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Scripture Revelation 1:4b-8

A Word of Faith The Alpha and Omega

Music "Victory in Jesus"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"



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 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.



Ministry Opportunities:

1. Calling all decorators. Please join us at **10:00 Tuesday, November 23rd**, to decorate the Faith & Fellowship Center for Christmas.
2. We are sending cards to military stationed overseas. If you would like to sign cards, they are available outside of Sonja's office.
3. Toys for Tots boxes are located throughout the church. All new, unwrapped toys will be accepted.
4. HUMC is partnering with Highlands Emergency Council to sponsor families for Christmas. If any small groups or individual families would like to sponsor, please call Kristy for details (200-0477).
5. Volunteers needed for the drive-thru Community Thanksgiving Dinner on **Tuesday, November 23rd**. Call Kristy for details.

Adjustment to COVID-19 Protocols

In consultation with our In-Person Worship Discernment Team and the Church Council, HUMC has moved to a masking-optional protocol for all indoor gatherings. Masks are available if you need one. At this time there is no change in our temporary suspension of indoor meals.

We encourage you to continue frequent hand-washing, and to maintain appropriate distancing when possible. Hand sanitizing dispensers are available at several locations inside the church building. And of course, please avoid gatherings if you are feeling sick. We continue to provide live-streaming of both our 9:09 and 10:50 services.

Church Happenings:

Community Thanksgiving Dinner - This year the Community Thanksgiving dinner will be held on **Tuesday, November 23rd**, as a drive-thru meal at Highlands Rec Park. Meals can be picked up from **4-5pm**. If you are currently on our Wednesday night pick up list you will automatically be on the pick up list for Tuesday (we will not have a meal on Wednesday, November 24th). If you know someone that needs a meal delivered, or would like to be added to the pick up list, please call Kristy before **Friday, November 19**.

Memorial for Curtis Rich - We will celebrate the life of Curtis Rich on **Saturday, November 27th at 2:00pm**. The service will take place in the church sanctuary. You are invited to join us for this special time of remembrance.

Highlands Christmas Parade - We're looking for HUMC volunteers to participate in this year's Christmas Parade on **Saturday, December 4th**. We're in need of wise men, shepherds, sign-carriers, and Mary and Joseph. Though the camels and donkey are not available this year, we're looking forward to participating again in this special annual event. If you'd like to help, please contact Julie Jared - juljar88@yahoo.com.

Blood Drive - **Tuesday, January 4th from 11:00-4:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. To make an appointment call Kristy at 526-3376, ext. 107 or call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter HighlandsUMC

Wednesday Night Supper

There will be no supper this Wednesday. Happy Thanksgiving!

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **November** we're collecting unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots. Donation boxes are at the office & F&FC entrances.

Attendance November 14th 9:09 - 82 10:50 - 34

Giving

Here is an accounting of giving for November 14th:

General - \$22,400.92

Restricted Accounts -

Pastor's Fund - \$50.00

Capital Fund - \$600.00

You may 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.

Current Studies and Small Groups

Seekers Sunday School Class

The class is currently studying the book of Isaiah. They meet in person on **Sundays at 9:45am**. Contact - Steve Bruner at stevebruner@gmail.com.

Bob Hood's Sunday School Class

The class is starting a new book by Max Lucado "3:16 The Numbers of Hope". **Sundays at 11:00am by Zoom**. Contact - Bob Hood at bobhood3@gmail.com.

Home Lectionary Study Group

A weekly study around the upcoming week lectionary readings. Meeting time - **Tuesdays at 7:00pm**. Contact - Fred Motz at bigbearpen@gmail.com

Men's Tuesday Breakfast

This group meets for breakfast at the Blue Bike on **Tuesday** mornings at **8:00am**. They are currently studying the book, "What's So Amazing About Grace" by Philip Yancey.

Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

The group is doing a book study on "What's So Amazing About Grace" by Philip Yancey. The class meets at **7:00pm on Tuesdays**. Contact - Debbie Brock at debbiedharris@gmail.com or Sara Mayer at scmayer@nctv.com.

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 \$60. 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.

HUMC and Highlands Fire Department are teaming up to collect supplies for the hurricane season. Donations can be dropped off at the fire station **Monday through Friday from 10am - 3pm**. Below is a list of items needed-

Bottled water - Bleach - Contractor trash bags - Shovels - Tarps - Laundry detergent - Buckets - Paper towels, Rubbermaid tubs

The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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.

Prelude

Welcome

Centering Music

Opening Prayer

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

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

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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.

Joys

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

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

† Offering Prayer

Anthem *Lord of Majesty* arr. Vangie Rich & Sherry Bruner

Scripture **Revelation 1:4b-8**

Sermon **The Alpha and Omega**

† Hymn of Faith **"Jesus Shall Reign"** UMH #157

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

Postlude

Upper Rooms - November / December Upper Rooms - Physical copies of the November / December Upper Rooms are here. Pick up your copy across from the church office or in the F&FC.

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

Happy Birthday to (November 21) Bonny Gibson; (November 24) Sara Mayer; (November 25) Linda Dryman, Sheri McGaughy; (November 27) Rick Willeford

Happy Anniversary to (November 25) Ken & Coral Wheeler; (November 27) Tom & Katrina Graham, Maurice & Ginger Sweatt

Have a Prayer Need?

To put someone on the Prayer List please call the church office (526-3376) or Joy Still (526-8097). Please provide an address of the person(s) for whom you are requesting prayer so we may send a card to let them know we are praying for them.

We will keep names on the **Short Term** list two weeks & the **Long Term** list four weeks. At the end of two or four weeks your loved one will be removed from the list. Please contact the church office again for your loved one if you wish for them to be put back on the list. This way we can be sure our list is kept up to date.

Prayer List

Short Term: Nancy Abner, John McKey, Fred Motz, Sandra & Dave Reckell & family

Long Term: Clarence Bauknight, Kenneth Crowe, Ronnie Crowe, Susan Crowe, Joann Dale, Kenny Edwards, Ty & Betty Ann Emmert, Sidney Futch, Gloria Glenn, Dan Gordon, Paula Gordon, Mary Green, Trent Haines, John & Gisele Hall, Michael Hebert, Mary Heffington, Bob & Sammie Houston, Virginia Huff, Kendra Hughes, Jeff James, Cheryl Jenkins, Kelli Lampkin, Brady Perryman, Logan Petrone, Anne Prince, Dana Edwards Reker, Lisa Richards, Rossie Spell, Catherine Taylor, David Valin

Join Our Prayer Circle

We welcome you to join our Prayer Circle to lift up those who are in need of prayer. Prayer requests are emailed to the Prayer Circle as they come in. Please email Sonja at highlandsumc@icloud.com to be a part of this ministry.

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May your day be filled

with Blessings.



LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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