## 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"
"The Solid Rock"

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

**Prayer / The Lord's Prayer** 

Joys

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

Music "Whispering Hope"

Scripture John 20:19-31

A Word of Faith The Tale of Thomas

Music "I Saw the Light"

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.



## **Church Happenings:**

**Joy Group** - Our JOY Group (Just Older Youth) meets for lunch and fellowship on **Thursdays at 11:30am** in the F&FC.

**UMM Breakfast** - Saturday, May 14th at 8:30am - Dr. John Baumrucker will talk to us about: How through his Faith and with guidance from the Holy Spirit he started "The Bolivian Mission" and the goals and achievements that have been accomplished since the inception in 1998. Please join us for some great fellowship and food.

**Blood Drive - Monday, June 27th** from **10:00-3:00pm** in the old 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.

**HUMC 2.0(22)** - On Easter Sunday, Pastor Randy shared some reflections from the 4 months of listening sessions, December through March. More reflections will be shared during the Easter Season, the Great 50 Days of Easter on which we have embarked. For now, please take note of the following -

- Beginning Sunday, May 1st the 10:50am Worship Service will be changed to 11:00am.
- We are starting a new adult Sunday School Class. Pastor Randy would like to meet with anyone interested in being part of this new class, Sunday, May 1st at 10am in the Parlor.
- After a COVID-impacted pause, we are restarting our Stephen Ministry Program, and plan to train and commission another class of Stephen Ministers this year.
- We will be forming leadership teams around our ministry to children and youth, and worship. Please contact Pastor Randy if you're interested in any of these areas.

## Wednesday Night Supper

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper at **5:15pm** in the Faith and Fellowship Center. Menu: prepared meal

**Attendance on April 17th** 9:09 - 231 10:50 - 137

## **Ministry Bags**

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **April** we're collecting small dolls, children's books, and matchbook cars for Little Children of the World.

**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. 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.

**Food Pantry Need** ~ The Food Pantry is in need of personal hygiene items: toothpaste/toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, & bar soap.

# Giving

Report of giving for on April 17th:

UMCOR / Ukraine - \$120.00 Pastor's Fund - \$110.00 Bolivian Mission - \$90.00 Food Pantry - \$20.00 Bosnian Mission - \$10.00

**General Fund -** \$11,628.10

## **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 will be starting a new book by Max Lucado, *Life Lessons from James* on **Sundays at 10:10am in the Scout room**. 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 "*Gracism - The Art of Inclusion*" by David A. Anderson."

## **Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study**

The group is reading the Christian fiction novel "A Voice in the Wind" by Francine Rivers about a Jewish Christian girl who is enslaved during the fall of Jerusalem and sent to serve in a Roman household. Everyone is responsible for ordering their own copy of the book. The class meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays. Contact - Debbie Brock at debbiedharris@gmail.com or Sara Mayer at scmayer@nctv.com.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We're gearing up for another exciting VBS at HUMC this summer,

Monday June 20th - Thursday

23rd from 5:15pm - 8:00pm.

Christine Murphy, our Director of Children and Youth Ministries, is already busy making plans.

The theme this year is

"Food Truck Party!"



As always, volunteers are essential to the success of our VBS. In order to make this a wonderful experience for the children, many volunteers (adult and youth) are needed: small group leaders, craft leader, science leader, snack leader, and dinner preparation.

Please contact Christine Murphy to volunteer! Call (828) 200-0131 or email - christinehumc@icloud.com.

## The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service Second Sunday of Easter

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 Be Thou My Vision -Irish Melody/Carter

**Opening Prayer** 

**†Hymn of Praise** "Christ Has Risen" TFWS #2115

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 He Lives -Ackley/Campbell

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

**†Offering Prayer** 

**Anthem** I Have Not Seen, Yet I Believe -Sally DeFord

Scripture John 20:19-31

Sermon The Tale of Thomas

**†Hymn of Faith** "We Walk By Faith" TFWS #2196

**Dismissal with Blessing** 

Postlude

**Happy Birthday to** (April 25) Randy Lucas; (April 28) Dave Cashion, Mike Plaster; (April 30) Bill Edwards, Vicki Heller

**Happy Anniversary to** (April 24) Frank & Emily Buskirk (April 29) Brandon & Leigh Ivy

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

## 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:** Marilyn Caputo, Craig Eister, Marilyn Hudgins, Dennis Ostema, Seth Satterwhite, Paul Smith, Bill Williams

Long Term: Mark Ballard, Clarence Bauknight, Victoria Bogdanova & family, Amy Breedlove, Henry Brown, Timothy Philip Caldwell, Kenneth Crowe, Ronnie Crowe, Joann Dale, Malcom Davies, Betty Ann Emmert, Gabrielle Farhadian, Dan Gordon, Warren Gray, Dick Hall, John & Gisele Hall, Bob & Sammie Houston, Dennis Howard, Kendra Hughes, Jeff James, Cheryl Jenkins, Mary Virginia Jones, Kelli Lampkin, Karen Miglionico, Doug Parrott, Judy Pendergrass, Michelle Pendergrass, Phyllis Pittas, Penny Pollock, Beverly Postell, Logan Petrone, Brantley Potts, Terri Potts, Anne Prince, Jim Ramsdell, Jessica Robinson, Marty Sass, Catherine Taylor, Olan Vinson, Rick Willeford

## 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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