

Welcome to the Highlands United Methodist Church

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

One Church Worship Service

Welcome / Opening Prayer

Opening Song "The Church in the Wildwood"

A Time to Share Our Concerns at the Cross

We Cannot Measure How You Heal -trad Scots

Memorial Day Video

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.

Congregational Song "In Christ There Is No East or West"

Joys

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus -Roentgen

Offering Prayer

Anthem *Where Could I Go?* -James B. Coats

Scripture **John 17:20-26**

A Word of Faith **That They May All Be One**

A Service of Holy Communion

One Bread, One Body -Foley
Blest Be the Tie -Nageli

Closing Hymn "They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love"

Benediction

Sending Forth / Closing Song "I'll Fly Away"

Church Happenings:

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

Wednesday Night Program at 6pm in the F&FC - June 1st - "Tonight's Special Guest - Christine Murphy"

UMM Breakfast - Saturday, June 11th at 8:30am - Ken Carrig will be speaking about helping establish a 5 Phase Life Skills Curricula for the youth that participate in Big Brothers/Big Sisters programs. 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.

New Leadership Teams Forming -

Pastor Randy would like to meet with individuals who are interested in being part of new leadership teams. Please contact Pastor Randy if you are interested in any of the following ministry areas -

Worship (909 and 11) Children's Ministry Youth Ministry

After-School Volunteers Needed! The HUMC After-School Program needs adult volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year! Would you be willing to give **2 hours a week** to our elementary students? The After-School program runs Tuesdays through Thursdays (3-5pm) throughout the school year. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Judy Smart (526-8321 or 421-9306).

Christine Murphy Stepping Down - Christine Murphy was hired as HUMC's Director of Children and Youth Ministries on January 15th, 2018. Since that time she has served faithfully in that role. She transitioned to part-time with us on July 1st, 2021 when she was appointed to serve as a Part-time Local Pastor, serving Loves Chapel and Webster United Methodist Churches in Sylva. As her heart for pastoral ministry grows, Christine has decided to bring her employment at HUMC to an end. She will continue to serve as Director of Children and Youth Ministries until June 24th. We are all grateful for Christine's faithful work among us, and wish her well as she continues to discern and follow God's call to ministry.

Love Offering for Christine - As a tangible expression of our love and appreciation for Christine, we will present her with a love offering from her HUMC family. If you would like to participate in that offering, please mark your gift - "Love Offering - Christine" and bring it by the office or place in the offering plate by Sunday, June 19th.

Food Pantry Need ~ The Food Pantry is in need of personal hygiene items: toothpaste/toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, & bar soap. Donations may be placed in the Donation Stations across from the church office and in the F&FC.

Employment Opportunity at HUMC - Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries - HUMC is looking to hire a dedicated, energetic, enthusiastic and gifted Christian to lead us into the next chapter of our ministry to children, youth and families. If you, or someone you know, would like to explore this ministry and employment opportunity, please contact Pastor Randy - randyhumc@icloud.com.

Giving

Report of giving for on May 22nd:

Restricted Accounts -

Bolivian Mission - \$270.00
UMCOR / Ukraine - \$100.00
Pastor's Fund - \$60.00
Bosnia - \$49.00
Food Pantry - \$20.00

General Fund -

\$5,853.10

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 Matthew with an emphasis on the Beatitudes. Meeting time - **Sundays at 10:00am** in the financial secretary's office. Contact - Steve Bruner - stevebruner@gmail.com.

Bob Hood's Sunday School Class

The class is studying a book by Max Lucado, *Life Lessons from James* on **Sundays at 10:00am** in the former Scout room. Contact - Bob Hood at bobhood3@gmail.com.

New Adult Sunday School Class

We're excited to begin a new Adult Sunday School Class at HUMC! The new class is currently meeting in the former church library at **10:00am**. This summer the class will be utilizing the United Methodist Adult Bible Study, *Transform*.

Pastor's Summer Sunday School Class

After our two-year COVID interruption, Pastor Randy's Summer Sunday School Class returns on **Sunday, June 5th**. As in previous years, the class will meet in the sanctuary chapel at **10am**. This summer the class will read selected books from noted Christian author Frederick Buechner. In June the class will read and discuss *The Hungering Dark*. Books will be provided.

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. 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

Monday June 20th - Thursday 23rd from 5:15pm - 8:00pm.

The theme this year is "Food Truck Party!"

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. Sign up forms for children are placed around the church.

Wednesday Night Supper

Join us for Wednesday Night Supper at 5:15pm in the Faith and Fellowship Center. Supper will be a potluck meal. Please bring a dish to share with others.

Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries. For the month of **May** we're collecting dog & cat food, treats, toys and bedding for the Humane Society .

Attendance on May 22nd 9:09 - 122 10:50 - 47

Happy Birthday to (May 29) Les Scott; (May 31) Gary Forrester; (June 1) Jenny Bryson; (June 2) Steve Bruner, Penny Pollock, (June 3) Richard Melvin, Anne Schenck

Happy Anniversary to (May 29) Ken & Sarah Knight, Jerry & Kay Moore; (May 31) Bob & Nancy Sutton; (June 1) Lynn & Valerie Long; (May 2) Ryan & Kayla Bryson, Bob & Suzie Gregory, Jeff & Mary James

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 11:00 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.

May / June Upper Rooms - Physical copies of the May / June Upper Rooms are available at HUMC.

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: Elaine Carlton, Jean-Ann L'Enfant and Howard, Frank Neely, The Moses Family, Seth Satterwhite, Glenda Talley

Long Term: Mark Ballard, Clarence Bauknight, Victoria Bogdanova & family, Sherry Bruner, Henry Brown, Kenneth Crowe, Ronnie Crowe, Joann Dale, Malcom Davies, Betty Ann Emmert, Dan Gordon, Warren Gray, Dick Hall, John & Gisele Hall, Mary Heffington, Jeff James, Cheryl Jenkins, Mary Virginia Jones, Kelli Lampkin, Karen Miglionico, Emmett Moore, JC Norris, Doug Parrott, Judy Pendergrass, Michelle Pendergrass, Phyllis Pittas, Penny Pollock, Beverly Postell, Logan Petrone, Brantley Potts, Terri Potts, Anne Prince, Jessica Robinson, 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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LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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