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 "Love Lifted Me"
"Life's Railway to Heaven"

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Joys

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

Music "Precious Memories"

Scripture Revelation 7:9-17

A Word of Faith The Water of Life - Part 1

Music "Just Over in the Gloryland"

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.

Wednesday Night Programs -

We're delighted to resume our rhythm of providing programing after supper on Wednesdays. These programs will generally be 30 minutes in length. Here is the schedule of remaining programs for May -

Wednesday,

May 11th - "Good Reasons for Bad Feelings" led by David Hodgson (Loneliness)

May 18th - "Good Reasons for Bad Feelings" led by David Hodgson (Regret)

May 25th - "Trivia Night with Mike" led by Mike Murphy (Memorial Day Addition)

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

Wednesday Night Supper

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

Attendance on May 1st

9:09 - 122 10:50 - 46

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.

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. Donations may be placed in the Donation Stations across from the church office and in the F&FC.



Report of giving for on May 1st:

Capital Fund - \$600.00 Pastor's Fund - \$250.00 UMCOR / Ukraine - \$120.00 Bosnia Missions - \$90.00

General Fund - \$7,007.00

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. 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.

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

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

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The 10:50am Traditional Worship Service Fourth 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 Come Christians Join to Sing trad. Spanish/Morgan

Opening Prayer

†Hymn of Praise *"Marching to Zion"* UMH #733

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 The Lord is My Shepherd [Bro. James' Air] -Bain/Wood

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

†Offering Prayer

Anthem Come to the Waters -Lori True

Scripture Revelation 7:9-17

Sermon The Water of Life - Part 1

†Hymn of Faith "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH #304

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude Christ Has Risen, Alleluia -trad, Tanzanian

Happy Birthday to (May 8) Wyn Shoptaw; (May 10) Gayle Cummings; (May 11) Niki Bloedow, Susan Clarkson, Nancy Ostema; (May 12) Cecile Watson; (May 13) Amanda Crowe; (May 14) Clarence Bauknight, Doug VanOrsdall

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

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: Marilyn Caputo, Craig Eister, Marilyn Hudgins, Frank Neely, The Moses Family, Dennis Ostema, Seth Satterwhite, Paul Smith, Bill Williams

Long Term: Mark Ballard, Clarence Bauknight, Victoria Bogdanova & family, Amy Breedlove, Sherry Bruner, Henry Brown, Timothy Philip Caldwell, Kenneth Crowe, Ronnie Crowe, Joann Dale, Malcom Davies, Betty Ann Emmert, 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, Emmett Moore, JC Norris, 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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Church Staff: Rev. Dr. 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 & Susan Clearman, Pianists; Marlene & Gary Nix, Sextons; Kristy Martin, Food Services Director





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