

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 "I Shall Not Be Moved"
"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder"

A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross

Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Joys

A Time to Offer our Gifts to God

Music "I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

Scripture Revelation 21:1-6

A Word of Faith The Water of Life - Part 2

Music "When We All Get to Heaven"

Sending Forth

Closing Music "I'll Fly Away"

Summer Eucharist Returns - We are excited to resume our pre-pandemic practice of weekly services of Holy Communion during the Summer months. From **June 5th - August 28th**, a brief service of Holy Communion will be offered in the church sanctuary at **8:30am**. The service will be approximately **20 minutes**.

Membership Class - Pastor Randy is offering a membership class for anyone interested in exploring Professing, Affiliate or Associate Membership at HUMC. Please email Pastor Randy by **Sunday, May 22nd** if you are interested - randyhumc@icloud.com.

909 Dishwashers needed - We're looking for volunteer breakfast dishwashers during the 909 Bluegrass Worship Service. Please see Kristy to sign up.

Wednesday Night Cooking Teams - We're ready to begin utilizing Wednesday Night Cooking Teams. If you'd like more information, please contact Kristy - kkltarheel@yahoo.com.

From our Ministries Team - We're collecting children's book (age 10 and under) for a church in Dulac, Louisiana. John Murphy will be leading a youth mission trip from Hickory First UMC in June. Please bring books to the church by June 1st.

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.

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, 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 our 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.

Wednesday Night Programs in May at 6pm in the F&FC -

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

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

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.

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 program has been a vital ministry of HUMC for many years. We offer after-school care for Highlands School kindergartners through 5th grade. We are able to offer our program to the families free of charge thanks to the generous donation of time from volunteers and grants awarded from other non-profit organizations. For the 22-23 year, we have 13 students enrolled.

In order to keep this ministry running, we need adult volunteers who would be willing to help students with homework, play games on rainy days, supervise playground time, and enjoy time learning with the children at the library, Land Trust properties, and Highlands Biological Station.

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).

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.

Giving

Report of giving for on May 8th:

Restricted Accounts -
Pastor's Fund - \$170.00
UMCOR / Ukraine - \$200.00

General Fund -
\$8,769.00

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. If you would like a copy, please email Pastor Randy by **May 25th** - randyhumc@icloud.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.

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.

Attendance on May 8th **9:09** - 132 **10:50** - 50

The 11:00am Traditional Worship Service
Fifth 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	<i>The King of Love My Shepherd Is</i>	-ancient Irish Melody, arr. Dan Forrest
Opening Prayer		
Hymn of Praise	<i>“O Holy City, Seen of John”</i>	UMH #726
Affirmation of Faith	<i>The Apostles’ Creed</i>	UMH p.881
Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer		
The Lord’s Prayer		
<i>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.</i>		
Joys		
Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	<i>Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee</i>	-Dykes, arr. Tedd Smith
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH #94
Offering Prayer		
Anthem	<i>Come to the Water</i>	-Anna Laura Page/Jeremy Blackwood
Scripture	<i>Revelation 21:1-6</i>	
Sermon	The Water of Life - Part 2	
Hymn of Faith	<i>“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”</i>	UMH #384
Dismissal with Blessing		
Postlude		

Congratulations to our HUMC High School Graduates

Alexandra Clark
Taylor Rickert

Colton Gibson
Haley Small-Norris

Happy Birthday to (May 15) Timmy Bronaugh; (May 17) Greer Felder; (May 18) John Crowe, Glenn Morris; (May 20) Kristin Araujo, Colson Bloedow, Alex Bronaugh; (May 21) Anne Tate
Happy Anniversary to (May 16) Hammond & Mitzi Rauers
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.

Our prayers and sympathies go out to PJ & Liz View and family on the death of their son James View. Cards of sympathy may be sent to the family at 596 Flat Mountain Road, Highlands, NC. 28741 and to Elizabeth Motz on the recent death of her twin sister Marilyn Hudgins. Cards of sympathy can be sent to 1212 Big Bear Pen Rd. Highlands, NC 28741. Let’s keep Elizabeth and all of Marilyn’s family in our prayers.

Prayer List

Short Term: Elaine Carlton, Jean-Ann L’Enfant and Howard, Frank Neely, The Moses Family, 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, Georgia Sanders, 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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LOVE God. Offer CHRIST to All.

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