

## 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** "The Church in the Wildwood"  
"Leaning on the Everlasting Cross"

**A Time to Share our Concerns at the Cross**

**Prayer / The Lord's Prayer**

**Joys**

**A Time to Offer our Gifts to God**

**Music** "His Eye is On the Sparrow"

**Scripture** Jeremiah 18:1-11

**A Word of Faith** A Lesson from the Potter's House

**Music** "Just a Close Walk with Thee"

**Sending Forth**

**Closing Music** "I'll Fly Away"

**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.

**The Church in the Wildwood** - Is now meeting in Horse Cove Sunday Nights at 7pm. If you enjoy singing the old hymns from the Cokesbury Hymnal, please drop by for some good music and fellowship. For more information, please contact Les Scott.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters Event** - On Tuesday, September 13th, Cullasaja Country Club will host a Fundraising Dinner / Music Gala. Ken Carrig gave a presentation at the Methodist Men's Breakfast earlier this summer and we wanted to share how you can support the strong work of BBBS in our area. To learn more, or to register for the event, please use the following link - <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/bigdinner/>

#### Ministry Bags

Each month we collect items for different ministries.

For the month of **September** we're collecting food, treats, toys, and bedding for dogs and cats at the Humane Society.

### Children and Youth Sunday School Begins next Sunday, September 11th

Sundays from 10:00am - 10:30am

(and something special for parents and grandparents)

We're excited to offer some new Sunday School opportunities for children, youth, and their families. Please help us spread the word!

Sunday, September 11th - 10am - 10:30am

**Children's Class Leaders** - Luke Osteen and Tricia Smith

**Youth Class Leaders** - Patti Moschouris and Corey James

**Coffee and conversation for parents / grandparents** -  
led by Niki Bloedow

**Youth Group Kick-Off** - (6th - 12th Graders)

Sunday, October 2nd - 4pm - 6pm

Youth Leaders - April Getz and Lora Speed-Beegle

**Fall Bible Study - "Jesus In the Gospels"**

Co-Leaders - Jan Potts and Meridith Watson.

Orientation - Sunday, September 18th at 7pm

Location - Old Fellowship Hall

A second generation Disciple Bible Study series, this 30 week study takes a look at the life, ministry and mission of Jesus through the lens of each of the four gospel writers. This study will be led by Meridith Watson and Jan Potts.

### 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** - Our next Methodist Men's Breakfast will be **September 10th at 8:30am**. Join us for great food and fellowship.

**Impact Day** ~ Calling all volunteers! Impact Day (a morning of church-wide volunteering) will be **next Saturday, September 10**. A light breakfast will be served at 9 with the following available activities:

- Trash Pick up
- Packaging and delivering muffins to area merchants
- Handing out popcorn and drinks on Main St with Randy
- Singing at Chestnut Hill with Les
- Making goodie bags for residents of Fidelia Eckerd
- Writing Christmas cards to be sent to active duty soldiers

Sign-up sheet is on door across from Randy's office. See Kristy for details or to add any volunteer needs.

**Blood Drive** - **October 24th**, from **11:00-3:00pm** 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](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter HighlandsUMC.

### Wednesday Night Supper

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

## Giving

**Giving for August 28th and September 4th**  
will be in the bulletin for September 11th.

You may set up one-time or automatic giving for your tithes and offerings on the website: [www.highlandsmethodist.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Guarantee - A Trail Lawyer Examines Salvation* by HUMC Seasonal Member Lewis Collins.

#### Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

The class is beginning a new 10-week study called *Journey through Psalms 1-50* by Mike Raiter from Our Daily Bread Publishing. They meet at **7:00pm** on **Tuesdays**. Contact - Debbie Brock at [debbiedharris@gmail.com](mailto:debbiedharris@gmail.com) or Sara Mayer at [scmayer@nctv.com](mailto:scmayer@nctv.com).

**Face-Coverings** - Masks are optional while attending indoor gatherings at HUMC. Face-coverings are available if you would like one.

Please continue to utilize hand-sanitizing stations, maintain appropriate distancing, refrain from attending if you're feeling sick, and continue to make the best decisions for your health and the health of your family. If you believe you have been exposed to the virus, please check with your health provider or the Macon County Health Department for guidance.

**HUMC Members** - Thank you for all your support as we begin another school year! The breakfast you provided for our faculty and staff was delicious! Thank you for the school supplies, The Blessing of our School Service, the after-school program for our students, and all your prayers for Highlands School! I greatly appreciate everything. Much love, Cindy Reed

## The 11:00am Traditional Worship Service

### Thirteenth 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 "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" UMH #479

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 *Ubi Caritas* -Greg Gilpin

Scripture **Jeremiah 18:1-11**

Sermon **A Lesson from the Potter's House**

†Hymn of Faith "*Have Thine Own Way, Lord*" UMH #382

Dismissal with Blessing "*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*"

#### Postlude

**Happy Birthday to** (September 4) Ann Marie Moore, Gloria Smith; (September 5) Frank Edwards; (September 7) Wayne Crowe, Dennis Leftwich, Bill Shoptaw; (September 8) Michael Carter, Rebecca Dotson, Tom Herring, Jo Plaster, Jim Recktenwald; (September 9) Nancy Colcord; (September 10) Janice Hall

**Happy Anniversary to** (September 9) Al & Renee Bolt

**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.

### 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:** Seth Satterwhite, Joy Still, Glenda Talley

**Long Term:** Clarence Bauknight, Ruby Cox, Wayne Crowe, Malcom Davies, Ty & Betty Ann Emmert, Judy Gooding, John & Gisele Hall, Dick Hall, Mary Heffington, Marge Heim, Colleen Holt, Bob & Sammie Houston, Jeff James, Mary Keener, Carol King (wife of Dr. Baumrucker), Boyd Lee, Bonnie Lunsford, Barrett McKim, Emmett Moore, JC Norris, Hedy Okolichany, Judy Pendergrass, Michelle Pendergrass, Anne Prince, Jessica Robinson, Mary Lee Simmons, Carol Sutton, Catherine Taylor, Erika Taylor, Mandi Terporten, Gentry Trantham, Olan Vinson, William Watkins, King Young

### 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](mailto:highlandsumc@icloud.com) to be a part of this ministry.

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