

Welcome to Highlands!

Hospes venit, Christes venit - When the guest comes, Christ comes.

Join us in the Greeting Space following 10:30 AM worship for a taste of homemade bread prepared by our members. Visitors are especially encouraged to come by for a small gift and to learn more about the Highlands family.

Children's Choir - Begins Today

Children age 3 and older are invited to make a joyful noise in Children's Choir! Today during 10:30 worship, all children will be dismissed following the Children's Moment for choir rehearsal. After choir rehearsal, children age 3 – 2nd grade will attend Children's Church in the Fellowship Hall. Children in 3rd grade or older will return to worship to sit with their families. Contact Mary Elizabeth Neal at maryelizabeth@highlandsumc.net for more information.

Youth Group Meeting - Today

Youth group will meet today at Highlands, 4 – 6 PM. Snack supper will be provided. All youth grades 6-12 are invited!

Youth Mission Trip Registration - February 24

Registration is now open for our summer youth mission trip to South Alabama, June 23-28. Cost of the trip is \$290 per person which includes all meals, lodging, programming, and transportation. Registration deadline is Sunday, February 24, and a \$35 deposit is due at registration. Adult chaperones are also needed and welcome! Register today at www.highlandsumc.net/youth-mission-trip

UMCOR Disaster Response Trip

Highlands is organizing a disaster response trip to the coast to assist in relief efforts following Hurricane Michael this past fall. Tentative dates are in March or May. If you are interested in taking part in this service opportunity, please contact Deb Welsh at deb@highlandsumc.net.

Sumatanga Sunday - March 3

On Sunday, March 3, we will celebrate Camp Sumatanga during 10:30 worship. Information about summer camps will be available, and parents of 1st–3rd graders can sign up for day camp transportation. The congregation is invited to wear Camp t-shirts and name tags to worship.

Learn More about the Atrium - March 3

Join us on Sunday, March 3 following the 10:30 AM worship service for a mini retreat to hear about the philosophy of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and see a few lessons presented by Beverley Hoyt of St. Mary's on the Highlands. We will have a light lunch followed by the presentations. For more information or to reserve a spot, contact Lauri Soong at laurisoong@hotmail.com or Reggie Holder at reggie@highlandsumc.net.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training

Highlands is excited to partner with Independent Presbyterian Church to offer an opportunity for you to deepen your own faith while learning about the faith formation of young children. If you have ever considered training to be a catechist, this summer would be a great time to do it! This July, we will offer an intensive one-week Level I Catechesis Training course. Participants will meet at IPC for training from 9 AM – 4 PM Monday-Friday (childcare available). This summer's one-week course is Part 1 of a two-part course, with Part 2 meeting in summer of 2020. If you want to know more about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, what is involved with the training, and why training to be a catechist is so important and spiritually enriching, please contact Lauri Soong at laurisoong@hotmail.com or Reggie Holder at reggie@highlandsumc.net.

How Do You Want To Be Remembered? - March

Join us for a small group study on end of life preparations, *How Do I Want to be Remembered?* The study will encompass understanding the Christian Funeral, presented by Rev. Mikah Hudson; the importance of wills and estate planning, offered by Steve Alexander; and how to be a well-informed consumer when planning for your funeral, led by Dick L'Eplattenier. Study will take place on Sundays, March 3, 10, 17 from 3–4 PM in the Griffin Williams Room.

Child Development Center Fundraiser - March 15

The Child Development Center will be hosting an evening of fun and fellowship on Friday, March 15th from 7–11 PM. All adults are invited to B & A Warehouse for food, drinks, and a silent auction. Live auction begins at 9 PM. Proceeds benefit the CDC. Tickets for this fun night are \$30 and may be purchased from Valerie Nash at 933-8751 ext. 110 or valerie@highlandsumc.net.

People In Motion - Tuesdays

People in Motion offers a dance class at Highlands each Tuesday at 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Each class costs \$10 and is open to adults of all ages and abilities – no previous dance training required. Scholarships are available to those in need of financial assistance. Come join in for an hour of fun, fellowship, and dance! Contact Cynthia Brennan at 205-213-7322 or cacmjp@bellsouth.net to learn more.

**The Church Office, Child Development Center
and Community Ministries will be closed
Monday, February 18
in observance of Presidents Day.**

KEEP IN PRAYER...

Therese Avant
Don Delashaw
Stan Hart
Nancy Hill
Pamela Huck
Brian McFarlin

Brook Morris
Yvonne Norton
Nancy Sawyer
Kathleen & Tommy Thompson
Virginia Timmons
Chuck Tyndal

Lisa, sister of Angela Chramer
Mark Carleton, brother of Lynn Hairston
Sharon Self, mother of Michelle Jones
Lisa Mason Gay, sister of Creighton Mason
Chris Hartley, son-in-law of John McFarlin
Judy Trench, mother of Bart Trench

OUR SYMPATHY...

to Gayle Byrne and family, in the death of her mother, Sarah Frances Andrews Marks

Contact information for those on this list is available from Deb Welsh at deb@highlandsumc.net or 205-933-8751, ext. 211



New Church Financial Manager - Tyra Pirtle

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is please to announce that Tyra Pirtle has been hired as our new Financial Manger. In the past, Tyra has served on the Finance Committee as chair and Church Treasure. She has offered her leadership in this vitally important area of ministry for over a decade. Her understanding and experience of the church's financials is well respected among the lay leadership of Highlands. Tyra also brings a wealth of experience from her previous executive work with UAB. Tyra will offer staff support for all the financial matters of the church. She will work closely with the Finance Committee and the Highlands Foundation Board. If you do have any questions about your giving to the church please do not hesitate to call her at 933-8751 ext. 103 or email her at finance@highlandsumc.net.

Blessings,
Mikah Hudson, Senior Pastor

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Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Closed for lunch 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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To include an announcement in *Happening At Highlands*, please submit information to the church office by Wednesday at noon.