

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 sample of delicious, homemade bread prepared by our members. Visitors are especially encouraged to come by for a small gift.

Sign Ups in the Greeting Space - Today

Visit the table in the Greeting Space following worship to sign up to sponsor Advent flowers and greenery, or to serve as a Communion Steward in the coming months.

Panama Mission Trip 2019 - Deadline October 31

Dates: Saturday, July 27 – Saturday, August 3, 2019
Cost is \$1500 per person which covers airfare, team fee, room, board, and transportation in country. \$300 deposit is due by October 31. This trip is open to individuals and families; work is available for ages 7 to 107, including construction (both light and skilled) and VBS. For more information, contact Deb Welsh at deb@highlandsumc.net.

Youth Group Bus Ride - November 3

As part of our Cooperative Youth Group's year-long service project to build a bus stop shelter, all youth are invited on an outing to ride the public bus system this Saturday, November 3 at 9:15 AM. We will meet at the Highlands UMC parking lot and walk together to the nearest bus stop in front of the Five Points Chick-Fil-A. Malcolm Carmichael will be leading our tour and we will also need a few adult chaperones. To sign up, contact Mary Elizabeth Neal at maryelizabeth@highlandsumc.net.

All Saints Sunday at Highlands - November 4

Join us next Sunday, November 4 to celebrate All Saints Sunday. We will worship together as one church family at the 10:30 AM worship service and remember by name those members and friends of Highlands United Methodist Church who have died in the faith of Christ during the past year. The Choir will lead our worship, incorporating Gabriel Fauré's setting of the ancient and image-rich texts of the Requiem, the ancient Christian communion service for the departed. It is one of the most frequently sung and universally beloved Requiem masses, yet it is rarely experienced in the context for which it was written – a service of worship with Holy Communion. This is a wonderful time to invite friends and family to come and experience worship at Highlands; you can help us spread the word by picking up a few posters to share around town. All are welcome! *There will be no 8:30 AM worship service next Sunday.*

Cooking with Kids - November 11

All children and their families are invited to fill the freezers with breakfast casseroles for Community Ministries on Sunday, November 11 at 2 PM. To RSVP and sign up to bring ingredients, check out the Upcoming Children's Events section of www.highlandsumc.net/children or contact Susan Rathmell at srathmell@gmail.com.

Saturday Supper Sisters - November 17

All women of Highlands are invited to the next meeting of the Saturday Supper Sisters on Saturday, November 17 at 5:30 PM at The Pita Stop in Southside for food, fun, and fellowship. This will be the last SSS meeting until after the Christmas and New Year holidays. For more information, contact Jody Stewart at jodywstewart@gmail.com.

Festival of the Three Kings - Volunteers Needed!

We need volunteers help with the Festival of the Three Kings, which will be held at Highlands on Saturday, December 8. Help is needed with pre-logistics, setup/clean up, gift pick-up, and festival activities. To sign up, contact Deb Welsh at deb@highlandsumc.net.

New Online Directory Test Email

In November, Highlands will launch our new online church directory. In order to ensure that everyone is included, we sent a test email on Monday, October 22 to all current members of Highlands. If you have not done so already, please take a moment to respond to that email so that we can confirm your email address in our system! If you did not receive one, check your Spam or Clutter folders first. If you do not find it, please contact Mary Elizabeth Neal at maryelizabeth@highlandsumc.net.

Christmas Pageant & Sacred Dance Registration

It's almost time to sign up for Advent Sacred Dance and the Children's Christmas Pageant! Sacred Dance is open to boys and girls in 1st grade or older. The Christmas Pageant will be Sunday, December 23 at the 10:30 AM worship service, with roles for children age 3 – 5th grade. Parents, be looking for an email the first week of November with more details! Registration will be open through November 30.

Small Groups at Highlands

Highlands' small groups meet almost every day, on a variety of topics and interests. New small groups begin this week – crafting and contemplative prayer! Information booklets are available in the Narthex and Greeting Space, or visit www.highlandsumc.net/adults. All are welcome!

KEEP IN PRAYER...

Therese Avant
Britton Buckner
James and Jean Daniel
Don Delashaw
Stan Hart
Pamela Huck
Brian McFarlin
Judy Mills

Brook Morris
Yvonne Norton
Nancy Sawyer
Linda Thacker
Kathleen & Tommy Thompson
Virginia Timmons
Sharon Turner
Chuck Tyndal

Lisa, sister of Angela Chramer
Mark Carleton, brother of Lynn Hairston
Ed Hoye, father of Jim Hoye
Lisa Mason Gay, sister of Creighton Mason
Katherine Bethune, grandmother of Michael Prewitt
Judy Trench, mother of Bart Trench
Denise Jordan, sister of Cheryl Williams

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



Youth Mission Fundraiser

The Highlands Youth Group is pleased to make available to the congregation 8x10 prints of this charming historical watercolor of the church on archival-quality paper. Prints are available today in the Greeting Space after 10:30 AM worship. Prints are \$25 each and all proceeds benefit the Youth Mission Fund which helps to fund our youth summer mission trip to South Alabama and our Cooperative Youth Group Bus Stop Shelter Service Project.

If you are unable to pick up a copy from the youth group today, you may reserve one by emailing Reggie Holder at reggie@highlandsumc.net.

Hurricane Relief - You Can Help!

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is always the first in and last out to natural disasters both here and abroad. Highlands continues to partner with UMCOR to assist our neighbors affected by the recent hurricanes. According to our UMCOR conference coordinator, there are five ways we can help:

1. Continue to pray for the survivors and those assisting them.
2. Make relief supply kits. Download the packing list, assembly instructions, and shipping label at www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies.
3. Give financially. Make checks payable to HUMC and include UMCOR on the memo line or give directly on their website by clicking on the "donate" button at www.UMCOR.org. 100% will go to relief efforts.
4. Donate only those items requested. There is currently no need for clothing or bottled water.
5. Please wait for an invitation to volunteer. Highlands is in contact with our local UMCOR coordinator and will let you know as volunteer opportunities arise.

If you have questions, please contact Deb Welsh at (205)933-8751 ext. 211 or deb@highlandsumc.net.

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