

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 24, 2016

Sunday Classes: 9:30

Sunday Assembly: 10:30

Wednesday Classes: 7:00
(Wireless receivers available)

Sunday Classes

Adults: "Isaiah," Bob, auditorium

Adults: "To Be a Disciple," Percil, downstairs

College: Tim & Debbie

Teens: Tom & Janet, hut

Grades 4-6: Yoders

Grades 1-3: Kelsie P.

Ages 4-K: Ann Stasny

Age 2-3: Tonya & Margo

Cradle Roll: Barbara Gnann

Wednesday Classes

Adults: "Deuteronomy," Bob, auditorium

Adults: "The Letters," Richard, fellowship hall

College/Young Adult: Tim & Debbie, library

Teens: Kevin & Kamy, annex

Grades 4-6: Theresa

Grades 1-3: Debbie Killian

Preschool-K: Tim & Missy

Food Pantry/New 2 You: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 4:30-6:00

LIME: Mondays 9:30, Theresa, "Growing & Sharing Our Faith"

LIFT: 1st Sundays 5:30

Watkins Small Group: Tues. 7:00

On a Treasure Hunt

63 - *I Will Call Upon the Lord*

853 - *When We All Get to Heaven*

555 - *Seek Ye First*

Prayer of Praise: Tom Keever

Reading: Neh. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, Kerry Sumner

334 - *Tis Midnight*

Communion & Offering: Bryan Steelman

Reading: I Cor. 12:12-31a, Jonathan Eckard

831 - *Let Me Live Close to Thee*

Dismiss Kingdom Kids Bible Hour

Message: Col. 2:1-8, Kevin Bibbee

903 - *There is Power in the Blood*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

711 - *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Song Leader: David Jemigan

Communion Servers: Jorge Pacheco, John Stasny, Blake Eckard, Randy Pannell

Sitting with the Sisters: Patsy & Barb

Nursery Workers: Tonya

January Greeters: Burke Plus



Welcome Visitors!

We're glad you're here today! Please fill out an information card and place it in the collection plate. Thank you!

Hickory Church of Christ Vision Statement:

We exist to connect people to the power of God. We desire to be a church family that imitates Jesus Christ, so others can find love, service, community, and hope.

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Announcements & Reminders

• **Burke Plus AT Lunch:** Tonight at 5pm at Larry & Sharon Duncan's, 3827 Mattingly Dr, Hickory.

• **Women of Hope Conference:** Murfreesboro, TN, March 4-5. Register by 1/29. See Theresa.

www.hhi.org/womenofhope

• **Pot Blessing Send-Off for Dick & Nancy Posey:** Sun. 1/31 at 12 noon. Please bring food, drinks, & desserts.

• **LIFT:** Sun. 2/7 at 12 noon.

• **Annual Valentines Luncheon** for ladies, prepared by the men. Sun 2/14 at 12 noon. See Kevin Boggs to help.

• **4th Annual Blood Drive in honor of Megan Bibbee:** Sun. 3/13, 12-3pm. More details to come.

Notes from the Lesson:

A disciple's heart is to be...

E _____

K _____

F _____

Mystery of God is namely _____

(Col. 2:3)

3 Mysteries Found:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Steps for Spiritual Maturity

R _____

W _____

L _____

Prayer Requests

Pray for elder nominees **Jerry Burton, Tim Duncan, Tom Keever, Foyle Perkins, Richard Rheinbolt, Barry Smith, Bryan Steelman, & Percil Watkins, as they consider eldership.**

Ilo CoC (Peru) seeks new preacher, as current preacher's wife is very ill.

Craig & Teresa Phillips seek to bring God glory in Nepal.

Robert Lewis praises God for healing of intestinal cancer.

David Bierce has broken clavicle & is homebound, after scooter accident.

Murray Davis (Frye rm. 478) is waiting to hear about a bone marrow transplant. Drs found no cancer!

Janet Keever, Wylma Lindberg, & Foyle Perkins need continued healing.

Billie Dennie's health issues are improving.

Dick & Nancy Posey will move to Nashville around 2/2.

Van Bodden is at Brian Center Viewmont rm. 508. Pray he improves & can have surgery.

RJ Hall finished high school early and seeks prayers for decision about joining the Marines.

Tanisha Lipford seeks guidance about college application & enrollment.

Sally Cannon will have knee replacement this week.

John Stasny starts radiation for cancer 2/3.

Georgia Adcox has squamous cancer on scalp & is undergoing radiation.

Sipe-White Family (Ridgecrest) had recent death of family member in Alabama.

Wade Hensley, friend of Hulls, may have cancer & is recovering from pneumonia.

Chris Polley's cancer is gone! He's grateful for HCOC for prayers & encouragement.

Allen Fuqua, special needs son of Deep River COC family, passed away last week.

Suzie Wiles, Margo's mom, is much better.

Samantha Skipworth, Tori & Nathan's friend, had an abnormality in her post-natal checkup, will see dr 1/27.

Maria Madrigal resumed chemo for breast cancer.

Families of Ridgecrest Apartments, that they would see Jesus in us.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jan 27 Bernie Boags

Jan 23 Dennis Jaschob

Jan 24 Deane

Valentine

Jan 26 Robert Link

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jan 29 Tim & Missy

Stroud

Lectionary

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6, 8-10 All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Psalms 19 The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

I Corinthians 12:12-31a For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Luke 4:14-21 Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."