#### **Prayer Requests**

Pray for our elder selection process & church leadership.

**Sigmon family** needs prayers & encouragement to cope with Reggie's passing.

**Murray Davis** is home from Baptist now! Phone calls are welcome, but no visits for now, to protect Murray's health.

**Tim Stroud** is home after an attempted heart procedure that was stopped due to a sudden spike in blood pressure. He is on new medication for now. **Adela Madrigal**, Rosa's mom, had double mastectomy & awaits biopsy results.

**Sarai Burkhalter** has returned to school & is doing well after pseudo-seizures.

Joel Rheinbolt & family need prayers in light of marital difficulties.

Foyle Perkins's CT scan showed treatments are working. PET scan soon.

Flavio Uribe, the Rheinbolt's son-in-law, is bedridden with severe vertigo.

Mary Nichols continues to struggle with deep back pain after shingles.

**Jack Kline** is home & doing well, on meds to regulate heart rhythm.

**Rentz Johnson** needs prayers of healing from a toe infection.

Sue Hawley is new to HCOC & is recovering from a stroke.

Ray & Karen Catlett are headed back to their FL home til June 2016.

**Larry & Sharon Duncan** arrived safely in NC & are moving into a new home.

Doug K, the Stasny's boarder, is dealing with stage 4 cancer.

Art Burkhalter needs strength & healing while battling shingles.

**Curtis Gibson**, Sally's grandson, fell off monkey bars 10/23 & fractured his skull. He is at Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte. Parents are John & Ashley.

Praise God for the healing of Steve & Marti Shirah.

**Van Bodden** needs strength & encouragement while batting health issues. **Casey Allen** & **David Bierce** need encouragement & uplifting. Please reach out to them.

**Pat Dennie**, Barbara & Billie's sister-in-law, suffers from continuing headaches after a concussion and had an MRI this week to look for a cause.

### **Lectionary**

**Isaiah 25:6-9** On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the stroud that is case over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited. Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 24 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it; for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers. Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully. They will receive blessings from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their salvation. Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah. Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah. Revelation 21:1-6a Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

John 11:32-44 When Mary came were Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the death man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."



#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Nov 1 Kevin Bibbee Nov 1 Joey Osborne Nov 2 Meredith McDermott

Nov 4 Sally Cannon

Nov 5 Carol Ferrell

Nov 6 Alisha Lipford

Nov 7 Amanda Mayhue

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Nov 6 Cole & Margo Hull



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

- Conover East Action Team Luncheon: Sun. 11/8 at 12 noon.
- **Hickory Plus Action Team**: "Almost Annual" Chili Supper, Sun. 11/8 at 5:30pm at the Poseys' home. See Nancy about what to bring.
- Ministry Leaders' Meeting: Sun. 11/8 at 6pm.
- **November Senior Friends Luncheon:** Tue. 11/10 at 11am at Granny's Country Kitchen, 3448 Miller Bridge Rd, Icard. RSVP to Retta by 5pm on 11/8.
- Ladie's Health Support Group: See Bobbi Henson if you would like to join an online support group of sisters seeking to follow God in caring for our bodies.
- **Donations Needed** for hot water heater for James, JJ & Randy.

## Notes from the Lesson:

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# **Hickory Church of Christ**

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.
Sunday, November 1, 2015

## A Character That Builds Character

I Timothy 3:1-7

3 - Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

852 - When The Roll

**Prayer of Praise:** Tom Keever **Reading:** Psalm 24, Tim Duncan

77 - Glorify Thy Name

382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth

Communion: Dick Covalinski

Offering

Reading: Revelation 21:1-6, Jorge Pacheco

882 - No Tears in Heaven

**Dismiss Kingdom Kids Bible Hour** 

Message: Kevin Bibbee

947 - Jesus is Tenderly Calling

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

886 - On Jordan's Stormy Banks

**Song Leader:** David Jernigan

**Communion Servers:** Bryce Hull, John Stasny, Scott Powell, Randy Pannell

**Sitting with the Sisters:** Henrys **Nursery Workers:** Barbara G

**November Greeters:** Conver West Action

Team

### **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. Sunday Classes: 9:30 Sunday Assembly: 10:30 Wednesday Classes: 7:00 (Wireless receivers are available for the hearingimpaired)

### **Sunday Classes**

- Adults: "HCOC leadership," Kevin Bibbee, auditorium
- Teens: Tom & Janet, hut
- **Grades 4-6:** Bryan & Jennifer
- Grades 1-3: Kelsie P.
- Ages 4-K: Dora
- Ages 2-3: Sally Cannon

### **Wednesday Classes**

- Adults: "Deuteronomy," Bob Belville, auditorium
- Adults: "The Letters" Richard R., fellowship hall
- College/Young Adults: Tim & Debbie, library
- **Teens:** Kevin & Kamy, house annex
- Grades 4-6: Theresa
- **Grades 1-3:** Eddie & Margaret
- Preschool-K: Missy & Joy

**Food Pantry/New 2 You:** 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 4:30-6:00 **LIME:** Mondays 9:30 **LIFT:** 1st Sundays 5:30 **Watkins Small Group Study:** 

Tuesdays 7:00