

# Hickory Church of Christ

*Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.*

Sunday, February 14, 2016

## Sunday Classes: 9:30

(Wireless receivers available)

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**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, 7pm

**Adults:** "Deuteronomy," Bob, auditorium

**Adults:** "Nehemiah," Jerry, 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

**Watkins Small Group:** Tues. 7:00

Ladies Studies:

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

**LIFT:** 1st Sundays 5:30

## God's Perfect Love

**Prayer of Praise:** Tom Keever

96 - *I Stand in Awe*

97 - *I Sing Praises to Your Name*

**Reading:** Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Cole Hull

111 - *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

**Communion & Offering:** Percil Watkins

461 - *Be Not Dismayed What'er Betide*

112 - *Wonderful Grace of Jesus*

**Dismiss Kingdom Kids Bible Hour**

**Message:** I Jn. 4:7-12, 17-19, Tom Killinger

453 - *Love Lifted Me*

**Prayer of Elders & Thanksgiving**

**Song Leader:** Kevin Boggs

**Communion Servers:** Will Snyder, Ron Henry, Kerry Sumner, Jonathan Eckard

**Sitting with the Sisters:** Smiths

**Nursery Workers:** Mary Nell

**February Greeters:** Hickory 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.

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### Announcements & Reminders

- **For all going to Winterfest:** Please be at the church no later than 12:30pm on Friday 2/19. We will be leaving at 12:45. Eat lunch before you arrive.
- **Welcom Scott & Blanch Finch to the HCOC family.**
- **Annual Valentines Luncheon** for ladies, prepared by the men. Today at 12 noon.
- **Men's Bible Study & Breakfast:** Sat. 2/20 at 8:45am.
- **Congregational Singing:** Sun 2/21 at 6pm.
- **Burke Plus AT Lunch:** Sun. 2/28, 5pm at Larry & Sharon Duncan's, 3827 Mattingly Dr, Hickory.
- **IMPACT:** June 20-25. Cost is \$220. See Tracie by 2/28 to register. Payment due 4/24.
- **4th Annual Blood Drive in honor of Megan Bibbee:** Sun. 3/13, 12-3pm. More details to come.

### Notes from the Lesson:

*For God*

SO LOVE THE WORLD  
THAT HE GAVE HIS  
ONLY  
BEGOTTEN  
SON SO  
THAT WHOEVER  
BELIEVES  
IN HIM SHALL  
HAVE EVERLASTING

*Life.*

John 3:16

### Prayer Requests

**Our Potential Elders & Wives: Tim & Debbie Duncan, Foyle & Tracie Perkins, & Percil & Theresa Watkins.**  
**Bill Barnette**, Jennifer Steelman's father, had emergency gallbladder surgery this week. Please pray for his recovery.  
**John Stasny** is undergoing radiation treatments.  
**Ann Stasny** had leg issues after a cortisone shot, fell and was taken to the ER. Pray for her recovery.  
**Kay Frost**, Watkin's friend, is recovering in a rehab center from a hernia that caused internal bleeding. She has improved.  
**RJ Hall** has lost a fair amount of peripheral vision, which will keep him out of the military. No neurological issues, so he will see a vision specialist.  
**Annabelle**, Joe Hall's great niece, passed this week from SIDS. Please pray for the family.  
**Georgia Adcox** finished radiation & is at CVMC cancer wing, rm 160, awaiting results.  
**Megan Bibbee** was sick this week.  
**David Bierce** is recovering from scooter accident.  
**Bernie Boags** has been dealing with upper respiratory issues since December.  
**Hershel Van Bodden** is improving, may go home 2/22.  
**Elisha Bowden** is recommitting to God & seeks encouragement. She needs transportation to services.  
**Elvira Bryant** seeks a home church.  
**Hester Burkhalter** needs pain relief. Pray she & Art can encourage their daughter Lisa.  
**Sally Cannon** is in rehab at Shaire Center, looks to go home by Wednesday.  
**Murray Davis** is waiting to hear if he has cancer.  
**Billie Dennie** is doing better w/ heart & kidney issues.  
**Jr. Hadden**, Bobbi's uncle, is unresponsive in ICU.  
**Megan Rae Hollar** has ongoing illness & pain.  
**Brandon Lawrence**, Lisa Smith's employee, lost his uncle suddenly this week.  
**Maria Madrigal** has resumed chemo.  
**Guy Martin**, Art & Hester's son-in-law, is at Baptist rm 916 with swelling, possibly from cancer removal.  
**Sonia Nobles**, Watkin's friend, has had cancer & has recurring pain, surgery 2/12 at Chapel Hill.  
**Lily Perkins**, for strength amid family crises.  
**Chris Polley** has spots on lungs, biopsy in 2 months.  
**Jim Smith**, Lisa's dad, had pacemaker installed 2/11.  
**Brenda Stout**, Ron Henry's cousin, has stage 4 cancer & has opted out of treatments.  
**Angie Watkins**, Lisa's cousin, is having many personal issues & is very discouraged.  
**Tori & Nathan Sly** are home sick.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb 19 Kim Adcox	Feb 19 Kim Adcox
Feb 14 Ross Sumner	Feb 20 Pam Smith
Feb 15 Tom Benicken	Pam 20 Dixie Willard
Feb 15 Gloria Burkhalter	
Feb 15 Tony Lipford	<u>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</u>
Feb 17 Bob Belville	Feb 14 Howard & Tammy Rainwater
Feb 17 Patsy Yoder	

### Lectionary

**Deuteronomy 26:1-11** When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

**Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16** You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

**Romans 10:8b-13** "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

**Luke 4:1-13** Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.