

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, February 21, 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

Get Rid of It!

3 - Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

852 - When the Roll

779 - I Love You, Lord

Prayer of Praise: Percil Watkins

Reading: Luke 13:31-35, Jorge Pacheco

382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth

Communion & Offering: Jerry Burton

Reading: Psalm 27, Dick Covalinski

528 - I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Dismiss Kingdom Kids Bible Hour

Message: Colossians 3:1-9, Kevin Bibbee

902 - Nothing But the Blood

Prayer of Thanksgiving

869 - We're Marching to Zion

Song Leader: David Jemigan

Communion Servers: Bryce Hull, John Stasny, Blake Eckard, Randy Pannell

Sitting with the Sisters: Mary Nell

Nursery Workers: Janet

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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Prayer requests and announcements: bulletin@hickorychurch.org

Announcements & Reminders

- **Youth Bible Class Teachers Needed!** See Theresa Watkins or Patsy Yoder.
- **Congregational Singing:** Tonight 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.
- **LIFT:** 3/6 at 5:30pm.
- **4th Annual Blood Drive in honor of Megan Bibbee:** Sun. 3/13, 12-3pm. More details to come.

Notes from the Lesson:

Prayer Requests

Our New Elders & Wives: Tim & Debbie Duncan, Foyle & Tracie Perkins, & Percil & Theresa Watkins. **Georgia Adcox** passed this week. Please pray for the Adxcox, Kirby, Link, & Killian families.

Rick Bartlett, elder at Northview COC, is in Baptist with a blood clot in his lung.

Blanca, Rossana's sister-in-law, lost her niece this week to bone cancer.

Bernie Boags was well enough to come to worship!

Hershel Van Bodden looks to go home by 2/22.

Elisha Bowden is recommitting to God & needs spiritual encouragement.

Elvira Bryant needs help finding a church home.

Hester Burkhalter needs relief from pain.

Sally Cannon is recovering from knee replacement.

Murray Davis is at Trinity Ridge Rehab in Mtn View, rm 201. His number: 828-449-3166.

Blake Eckard has respiratory problems.

Jonathan Eckard has type A & B pneumonia.

Robert Edwards, father of late Roberta Edwards (Haiti missionary), has been in hospital in Burgaw, NC for over a month.

RJ Hall has lost peripheral vision in both eyes, will see specialist at Baptist soon.

Jr. Hadden, Bobbi's uncle, is unresponsive in ICU.

Megan Rae Hollar has ongoing illness & pain.

Maria Madrigal, is having chemo & losing her hair.

Sarah Marze, Linda Farris' daughter, has pneumonia.

Paul Meyer, David Bierce's AA sponser, lost his home & possession in a fire last Saturday.

Lily Perkins, for strength amid family crises.

Chris Polley, Bobbi's nephew, is to have lung biopsy in 2 months.

Mark Roberts has back procedures 3/2 & 3/9.

Ann Stasny will have back surgery to have L4 & L5 discs removed 2/29, unless new meds work.

John Stasny is undergoing radiation treatment.

Brenda Stout, Ron Henry's cousin, stg 4 cancer, has opted out of treatment.

Missy Stroud's coworker's daughter's mother-in-law is in the last stage of cancer.

Youth & Adults are at Winterfest in Gatlinburg, TN this weekend. Pray for their safety & spiritual renewal.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb 22 Barbara Gnann
Feb 23 Roy Henson
Feb 25 Harley Bumgarner
Feb 28 Tanisha Lipford



Lectionary

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward." But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir." Then the word of the Lord came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness. He also said to him, "I am the Lord, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it." But Abram said, "Sovereign Lord, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?" So the Lord said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon." Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away. As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him.

Psalms 27 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident. One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation! If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up. Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Philippians 3:17-4:1 Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Luke 13:31-35 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"