

# Hickory Church of Christ

*Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.*

Sunday, February 28, 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

## A New Wardrobe!

**Prayer of Praise:** Jorge Pacheco

*Light the Fire*

*Blessed Be Your Name*

**Reading:** Psalm 63:1-8, Bryan Steelman

*The Battle Belongs to the Lord*

*Pierce My Ear*

**Communion & Offering:** Cole Hull

**Reading:** I Cor. 10:1-13, David Watkins

*Here I Am to Worship*

**Dismiss Kingdom Kids Bible Hour**

**Message:** Colossians 3:10-14, Kevin Bibbee

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Get Right Church*

**Song Leader:** Paxton Powell

**Communion Servers:** Austin Wallace, Tom Keever, Joey Osborne, Tim Stroud

**Sitting with the Sisters:** Henrys

**Nursery Workers:** Patsy

**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

- **Youth Bible Class Teachers Needed!** See Theresa Watkins or Patsy Yoder.
- **Burke Plus AT Lunch:** Today at 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.
- **Women of Hope Conference:** 3/4-3/5, Murfreesboro, TN.
- **LIFT:** 3/6 at 5:30pm.
- **4th Annual Blood Drive in honor of Megan Bibbee:** Sun. 3/13, 12-3pm. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. Lunch provided for those donating!
- **Young Men Lead Worship 3/20**
- **Girls'/Ladies' Tea:** Margo Hull's Home, Sun. 3/20

## Notes from the Lesson:

"Put to death" literally means \_\_\_\_\_

Romans 13:14 - "... \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves with the \_\_\_\_\_ and do not think how to \_\_\_\_\_ the desires of the sinful nature."

New self is to be "R \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of its creator."

- Colossians 3:10

Clothe yourselves with Christ's...

C \_\_\_\_\_ - Mark 8:2

K \_\_\_\_\_ - Ephesians 2:6-7

H \_\_\_\_\_ - 1 Peter 5:5-6

G \_\_\_\_\_ - Philippians 4:5

P \_\_\_\_\_ - 2 Peter 3:15

F \_\_\_\_\_ - Luke 11:4

L \_\_\_\_\_ - John 15:12

### Prayer Requests

**Our New Elders & Wives: Tim & Debbie Duncan, Foyle & Tracie Perkins, & Percil & Theresa Watkins.**

**Eden Zechariah**, Barbara G's granddaughter, was born to Emily & Aaron holmes yesterday afternoon! Mom & baby are doing great.

**Deborah Amiet**, Bobbi's best friend, of OR, has many health issues & is dehydrated.

**Layne Ballard, Mary Nichols,** & others who are missing from our services need to hear from us.

**Rick Bartlett**, of Northview COC, is home; lung blood clot may take 6 mos to dissolve.

**Bob Belville** had successful cataract surgery.

**David Bierce** sees orthopedist about ankle & clavicle fractures 3/8.

**Hershel Van Bodden** needs prayers for continued progress.

**Sally Cannon** is home after knee replacement & rehab - has lost 314 pounds to date!

**Ruth Cloninger** fractured her right humerus.

**Dick Covalinski** is sick with the flu.

**Marissa Crawford** has tumors on optic nerve.

**Murray Davis** is home & needs strength & encouragement.

**RJ Hall's** vision is still being assessed. Baptist drs find no problems w/ his eyesight.

**Jr. Hadden**, Bobbi's uncle, needs trach & feeding tube. Blood pressure is very low.

**Roy Henson** has gout in his foot.

**Megan Rae Holalr** has ongoing pain & illness.

**Retta Hughes** is having back pain.

**Maria Madrigal** has 2 more chemo treatments.

**Tracie Perkins** has blood pressure issues.

**Chris Polley**, Bobbi's nephew, is declining in health. He has cancer spots on his lungs.

**Chester Rainwater** has shoulder pain.

**Mark Roberts** will have back procedures 3/2 & 3/9.

**Tracie Simpson** has pre-cancerous cells.

**Ann Stasny** will have back surgery for bulging disc 2/29.

**John Stasny** is undergoing radiation treatments.

**Ali Steelman** is sick for the 4th time in recent months.

**Jelissa Stinson** has job interviews.

**Tim Stroud** has arm surgery this week.

**Suzie Wiles**, Margo's mom, will have surgery 3/13 to reconnect her colon.

### Lectionary

**Isaiah 55:1-9** Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

**Psalms 63:1-8** O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name. My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips when I think of you on my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night; for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy. My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.

**I Corinthians 10:1-13** I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

**Luke 13:1-9** At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"