

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, March 12, 2017

Assembly: 10:30am

(Wireless receivers available)

Sunday Classes, 9:30am

Adults: Gospels, Percil, auditorium

Teens: Tom & Janet, hut

Grades 4-6: Bryan & Jenny

Grades 1-3: Kelsie Powell

Ages 4-K: Dora McDonald

Age 2-3: Tonya & Margo

Wednesday Classes, 7pm

Adults: Foyle, fellowship hall, "What's Next?"

Adults: Bob, auditorium, "The God Who Saves"

College/Young Adult: Tim & Debbie, library

Teens: Kevin & Kamy, hut

Grades 1-6: Theresa Watkins

Preschool-K: Patsy Uoder

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

Watkins Small Group: Sundays 7pm, 234 8th St NE, Conover. Call 828.994.4138 to confirm times.

LIFT: First Sunday of the month at 5:30pm. See Janet or Kamy.

LIME: Mondays 10am in the church library. Meets weekly. See Theresa or Georgiana.

Conversion

We Praise Thee, O God (2)

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (304)

Opening Prayer: Tom Keever

Reading: Isaiah 6:8, John Stasny

Tell Me the Story of Jesus (387)

Just a Closer Walk with Thee (406)

Communion & Offering: Bryan Steelman

Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You (768)

Reading: Acts 9:1-19, Bryce Hull

Years I Spent in Vaniy (381)

Dismiss Kingdom Kids

Message: Percil Waktins, Acts 9:1-19

I Will Sing of My Redeemer (513)

Shepherds' Prayer

Send the Light (650)

Worship Leader: Kevin Boggs

Communion Servers: Randy Pannell, Joey

Osborne, Jorge Pacheco, Scott Powell

Nursery: Mary Nell

Kingdom Kids: Kristen Killian

March Greeters: Conover West

March Hospitality Coordinator: Debbie Killian



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.

Announcements & Reminders

- Today at 12pm - Conover East Action Team Lunch at the Watkins'
- Tue. 3/14 at 12 noon - Senior Friends Luncheon at Brookdale Assisted Living, 2530 16th St NE, Hickory. RSVP to Retta. New time for this month only.
- Sun. 3/19 at 12pm - Brief VBS planning meeting
- Sun. 3/19 at 6:30pm - Elders' *& Men's Meeting (Gr. 11-up)
- Sun. 3/26 at 5pm - Burke Plus Action Team meeting at Larry & Sharon Duncan's, 3827 Mattingly Dr, Hickory.
- Save the Date! Sat. 4/29, 10am-2pm - Lunchtime with a Christian Author: Serena Miller. Flyers coming soon!

Prayer Requests

Pray for the spiritual needs of all in the church and those around us

David Sidbury (66), Barbara Eckard's brother, passed Mon. of cardiac arrest. His wife, Debbie, and sons, Ben & Jamie are among his survivors. Funeral is Wed. 3/15/17 at Sharon Baptist Church, 6411 Sharon Rd., Charlotte, NC 28210. Memorials to: Habitat for Humanity, 1558 Ben Sawyer Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464 or Sharon Baptist Church.

Billie Dennie is having significant health challenges.

Verna Jordan (88), Hester Burkhalter's mother, is in Frye Rm 311 with blood clots & fever.

Cathy Hall is having recurring sinus issues which are now affecting her lungs. She also has MRSA. **Foyle Perkins** needs strength for ongoing cancer treatments.

Barbara Gnann was not able to have cataract surgery, due to illness.

Alden & Lucille Dixon have health challenges. She's healing slowly from fractured pelvis. Pray for strength/pain relief.

Ron Nonamaker, Kevin Bibbee's cousin, is now home in WV, after long stay at Cleveland Clinic. Pray for wife, Sharon.

David Shuping is traveling to WV this weekend for work; pray for safety amid expected snow. **Theresa Watkins** seeks prayers for ringing in the ears (tinnitus) and praises God for improvement with her eyes.

Tim Stroud had a CT scan recently. He is awaiting test results.

Greyson Stephens, 7-month old twin, has sarcoma cancer in his tongue. Parents are Kyle & Rebecah Stephens. Friends of the Boggs & Megan Rae Hollar.

Angie Arnett has a torn meniscus and arthritis in her knee. She will have procedure soon to address these.

Lynn Tweed drove himself to hospital while having heart attack. His wife, Anita, works with Joy Heller at City of Conover.

Please remember **Ann Smith**, wife of Eddie Smith who passed recently. The Smiths are friends of Jerry & Eloise Burton.

Casey Allen had a successful tonsillectomy Mon. He needs prayers for complete healing.

Jane Mays is still at Carillon Assisted Living and will be there at least til mid-March.

Thomas Howell, a friend of Jane Mays, needs salvation from Christ.

Van Bodden was recently hospitalized with congestive heart failure, but is now back at Brian Center - Viewmont.

Kevin Bibbee will have first of two cataract surgeries March 23rd.

Dave Bierce is mending from foot surgery. Write him: 150 Peridot Dr, Statesville, NC 28625.

Tim Stroud is looking for men who'd be interested in joining him on a 2-week mission trip this summer. Pray & see Tim.

John Setzer (Anna's husband) is better all-around, after recent stroke. He's managing the challenges well.

Mina Naceanceno, Anna Setzer's Mom, is doing well & free from pain, after recent neck surgery.

Hazel Howard and grandson, Nicholas Robbins, have respiratory infections. Hazel's daughter,

Teresa Robbins has dizziness & vision problems; she'll have a spinal puncture and more tests possibly related to cancer she had last year.

Leo Lipford, Tony's Dad, in Atlanta is doing better after breathing problems. TYL. Tony was there helping his parents.

Barbara Eddins is having health challenges.

Church of Christ in Ilo, Peru needs prayers; Rossana Lecaros' cousin, Jesus La Torre, is the interim preacher. Pray that passport issues get resolved for prospective preacher from Venezuela.

Dennis Jaschob needs prayers for strength

Howard & Tammy Rainwater need prayers for health challenges.

Brenda Deal, Jerry Burton's sister, is dealing with stroke complications.

Kayla & Ethan Booms, friends of the Roberts' family, are expecting 1st child in April; the baby is not developing properly.

Guy Martin, Art & Hester Burkhalter's son-in-law, has cancer. Pray for his wife, Lisa, too.

Kaleb Hoffer (5) is recovering from heart surgery.

Larry Duncan is doing well, as he adjusts to walking again. Pray for continued healing. TYL!

Sharon Duncan is healing from toe surgery.

Brenda Taylor, Kamy Bibbee's friend, has breast cancer and is recovering from surgery.

Brian Pasch, Mark Roberts' brother-in-law, in in hospice care and has had some good days.

Joy Heller is having challenges.

Lectionary Readings

Genesis 12:1-14a Psalm 121 Romans 4:1-5,13-17 John 3:1-17

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Acts 9:1-19 Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus.

Notes from the Lesson:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3/12 Nicki Steelman

3/13 Abby Eckard

3/14 Lisa Smith

3/16 Nathan Sly



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