

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, March 19, 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.

Vis-a-vis with Jesus

Come Let Us Sing (PB 4)

How Can I Keep from Singing (PB 14)

Opening Prayer: Randy Pannell

Reading: Dillon King, Isaiah 40:29-31

I Shall Not Be Moved (976)

My Eyes Are Dry (792)

Communion & Offering: Percil Watkins

All Hail the Power (162)

Reading: Blake Eckard, John 5:1-15

Dismiss Kingdom Kids

Message: Kevin Bibbee, John 5:1-15

There's a Fountain Free (909)

Shepherds' Prayer

Light the Fire (PB 19)

Worship Leader: Dillon King

Communion Servers: Roy Henson, David Watkins, Kerry Sumner, Paxton Powell

Nursery: Lisa & Sara

Sitting with the Sisters: Smiths

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 - Brief VBS planning meeting
- Today 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.
- Sun. 4/2 at 5:30pm - LIFT
- Save the Date! Sat. 4/29, 10am-2pm - Lunchtime with a Christian Author: Serena Miller. Flyers coming soon!

Prayer Requests

Pray for God to address our spiritual needs, even as He addresses these and other physical needs we have.

Kevin Boggs was in the ER Wed.; he learned he has a mild case of Bell's Palsy affecting his left eye. Pray for Nancy too.

Barbara Gnann will have her first of two cataract surgeries, Wed. March 22.

Tim & Missy Stroud & Kevin & Kamy Bibbee are returning from vacationing together. Praise God for looking after them and the Bibbee girls who stayed here.

Dennis Jaschob praises God for things being well with him. Pray for his ongoing strength
John Stasny has a kidney stone which is causing some discomfort.

R.D. McDaniels, former preacher for John & Ann Stasny, has vertigo.

Ashley, Foyle & Tracie's daughter, has gestational diabetes. Her baby boy is due in May.

Kay Smith is progressing with her vertigo management. Continued prayers for her adjustment are needed.

Verna Jordan (88), Hester Burkhalter's mother, was moved to rehab at Autumn Care in Drexel.

Mary Nell Covalinski praises God her ankle wound from September has finally healed. She thanks everyone for prayers.

JohnQuavis Keyes' teacher had her travel plans to New Jersey halted, because of massive snowstorm.

Tim Duncan has been under the weather.

Dave Bierce is mending from surgery on his left foot. He will soon have surgery on his right foot.

Foyle Perkins needs strength for his cancer treatments. Praise God for continuing to renew Foyle.

Leo Lipford, Tony's Dad, in Atlanta has breathing problems warranting use of oxygen 24/7 and other health concerns.

Ryan Lipford is having seizures at this time.

Mark & Pam Roberts have several loved ones with medical challenges.

Brian Pasch, Mark Roberts' brother-in-law, is once again strong enough to have chemo treatments. TYL!

Jesse Blanton, Kathy Sigmon's friend, is going on another medical mission trip to Vietnam. He seeks prayers for orphanage children there and traveling safety.

Junior Wilkes, Sade Wilkes' uncle, is recovering from massive heart attack & collapsed lungs and two resulting surgeries.

Marti Shirah has been dealing with cold/respiratory illness.

Lucille Dixon is having great health challenges at this time - please pray and encourage her and Alden.

David Sidbury (66), Barbara Eckard's brother, passed recently of cardiac arrest. Please remember Barbara, David's wife, Debbie, and sons, Ben & Jamie.

Billie Dennie is having significant health challenges.

Barbara Eddins is having several health challenges.

Mary Nichols needs strength and healing. She seeks prayers also to be a good Christian example for her family.

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

Cathy Hall is having recurring sinus issues which are now affecting her lungs. She also has MRSA.

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

Theresa Watkins seeks prayers for ringing in the ears (tinnitus) and praises God for improvement with her eyes.

Tim Stroud had CT scan & awaits test results. He's looking for men to join him on a 2-week mission trip this summer.

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

Casey Allen 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.

Church of Christ in Ilo, Peru needs prayers that a full-time preacher will soon be in place.

Howard & Tammy Rainwater need prayers for health challenges.

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 that's returned.

Larry and Sharon Duncan are continuing to heal and adjust after car accident last fall. TYL!

Joy Heller is having several challenges.

Lectionary Readings

Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:29-31 He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

John 5:1-15 Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals. Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades. Here a great number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?" "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me." Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked.

The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, and so the Jewish leaders said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat." But he replied, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'" So they asked him, "Who is this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?" The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there.

Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you." The man went away and told the Jewish leaders that it was Jesus who had made him well.

Notes from the Lesson:

"Do You Want to be Made Whole?"

1. _____ that you are _____ of _____.
2. _____ that you are _____ by _____.
3. _____ that Jesus is the _____.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3/19 Eric Adcox
3/21 Amanda Weathers
3/33 Erika Wilfong
3/23 Kathleen Kirby



3/23 Bryan Wilfong
3/23 Elisha Bowden
3/25 Scott Powell

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