

# Hickory Church of Christ

*Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.*

Sunday, April 10, 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:** Bryan & Jenny

**Grades 1-3:** Kelsie P.

**Ages 4-K:** Dora McDonald

**Age 2-3:** Tonya & Margo

**Cradle Roll:** Barbara Gnann

### Wednesday Classes, 7pm

"40 Things Everybody Should Know About the Bible," Bob, auditorium

**Adults:** Foyle, fellowship hall

**College/Young Adult:** Tim & Debbie, library

**Teens:** Kevin & Kamy, annex

**Grades 4-6:** Barbara Eckard

**Grades 1-3:** Margaret Sigmon

**Preschool-K:** Patsy Yoder

**Food Pantry/New 2 You:** 1st

& 3rd Tuesdays 4:30-6:00

Ladies Studies:

**LIME:** Mondays 9:30,

Theresa, "Growing & Sharing Our Faith"

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

## The Truth Is...Part 2

*Just As I Am*

**Prayer of Praise:** Richard Rheinbolt

**Reading:** Acts 9:1-6, Tom Keever

*My Only Hope*

*Ten Thousand Angels*

**Communion & Offering:** Barry Smith

*All in All*

**Reading:** Psalm 30, David Watkins

*As the Deer*

*My Hope is Built*

**Dismiss Kingdom Kids**

**Message:** Rev. 2:1-7, Kevin Bibbee

*Faith is the Victory*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Come Thou Fount*

**Worship Leader:** Paxton Powell

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

**Sitting with the Sisters:** Smiths

**Nursery Workers:** Mary Nell

**April Greeters:** Conover East



## 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

- **Spring Directory Cleanup:** Please see Bob Belville or Theresa Watkins to this month to get new pictures for our church directory.
- **Carolina Bible Camp** offers 7 weeks of camp, beginning June 12th! See bulletin board or [www.carolinabiblecamp.com](http://www.carolinabiblecamp.com)
- **Impact 2016:** June 20-25 at Lipscomb University. Teens & parents see Tracie to sign up.
- **Conover East Action Team Lunch:** Today at 12 noon.
- **Senior Friends Lunch:** Tues. 4/12 at Jason's Deli (Barnes & Noble shopping center) at 11am.
- New **Hospitality Ministry** will have a meeting for anyone interested in being a part of this outreach, on Wed. 4/13 at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall.
- **Men's Bible Study & Breakfast:** Sat. 4/16 at 8:15am.
- **Congregational Singing:** 4/17 at 6pm.
- **LIME Monthly Outing:** Ridgecrest Apartments Ross Center (12th Ave SE) on Mon. 4/18, 10am-noon.
- **Conover City Sweep:** 4/23, 9am-noon. See Joy Heller to sign up as a church team to help clean the streets around our building. Hot dog lunch served at Conover City Park at noon.
- **Jericho Church of Christ (Mocksville NC) Ladies' Brunch:** Sat 4/30, 10am-12 noon. "My Victory Garden of Life." Please RSVP to Christy Broger (336.998.6025) by 4/15.

## Prayer Requests

**Chris Polley** was given a 3 week prognosis with his cancer. His family needs prayers of comfort and accepting God's will.

**Ann Stasny** has MRI w/ sedation scheduled for 4/11 at Iredell Memorial.

**Margaret Sigmon** is fighting off multiple health issues.

**Lillie Brewer**, Tonya's mom, has cancer.

**Brock**, young friend of Rainwater/Cannon family, fell from a tree & sustained terrible injury.

**Jonathan Eckard** has difficulties at work.

**Prayer Requests (Continued)**

**Susan Kelley**, Theresa’s spiritual mother, has cancer again.  
**Mark Roberts** is to have a back procedure on Monday.  
**Drue Stroud** was in ER with severe allergic reaction to peanuts, and was also rear-ended last week. She is also overwhelmed with college classes.  
**Mary Nell’s sister**, of Florida, needs solution for painful foot problems.  
**Van Boddien** is still at Bryan Center, having issues with retaining fluid.

**Notes from the Lesson:**

For God so loved \_\_\_\_\_  
that he gave his one and only Son,  
that when \_\_\_\_\_  
believes in him \_\_\_\_\_  
shall not perish but have eternal  
life!  
-John 3:16

Church in Ephesus known for...

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Remedy to Come Back to First Love:

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R \_\_\_\_\_  
R \_\_\_\_\_

The Truth is \_\_\_\_\_ !

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Apr 10 Billie Dennie  
Apr 10 Rajeesh Patterson  
Apr 11 Karen Rheinbolt  
Apr 13 Dana Adcox



**Lectionary Readings**

**Acts 9:1-6 Psalm 30 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19**

**Scripture Reading**

**Acts 9:1-6** Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?” He asked, “Who are you, Lord?” The reply came, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.”  
**Psalm 30** I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes in the morning. As for me, I say in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.” By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication: “What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!” You have turned my mourning in to dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

**Message Reading**

**Revelation 2:1-7** To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands. I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary. Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place. but you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

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