

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, May 7, 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.

God Is For Us!

Why Run?

How Great Thou Art (76)

Prayer: Bryan McDermott

Great is Thy Faithfulness (57)

Reading: Psalm 23, Tim Stroud

Because He Lives (464)

He Touched Me (527)

Communion & Offering: Randy Pannell

Reading: John 10:1-10, John Stasny

Heaven Came Down (517)

Dismiss Kingdom Kids

Message: Jonah 1:1-16, Kevin Bibbee

When We All Get To Heaven (853)

Shepherd's Prayer

What A Day That Will Be (916)

Worship Leader: Kevin Boggs

Communion Servers: Jonathan Eckard, Joey Osborne, Jorge Pacheco, Scott Powell

Nursery: Debbie Killian

Sitting with the Sisters: Debbie Duncan

Kingdom Kids: Kamy Bibbee

May Greeters: Burke Plus



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 - Conover East Action Team Lunch at Randy & Barbara Pannell's. All are welcome.
- Tue. 5/9 at 11:30am - Senior Friends Lunch at Bob Evan's in Hickory. RSVP to Retta by 5pm on Sun. 5/7.
- Sun. 5/21 - Special message by David Shuping for Foster Care Month about foster care in Catawba County. See David Shuping or Bernie Boags to serve in this area.
- Sun. 5/21, 12-3pm - Senior Expo (honoring seniors age 60+) - food, health info, fun, and fellowship! Volunteers needed, see Bernie Boags. Sign up on bulletin board to help with food & donations.
- Sun. 5/21 at 6:30pm - Elder's & Men's (Gr.11-up) meeting at HCOG. Please come share in this time of Bible study & fellowship.
- Sun. 6/4 - Senior Sunday honoring high school graduates: Allyssa Lipford, Samantha Hall, and Daniel Sigmon.
- Fri-Sat. 8/11-8/12 - Church Ladies' Retreat. See Margo Hull for details.
- Memorial gifts for Lucille Dixon, who passed 4/28, may be made to Hickory Church of Christ
- **Impact at Lipscomb University:** 6/19-24.
- **Carolina Bible Camp:** register at carolinabilecamp.com. Camp weeks 6/18-8/5. Differently abled camp 6/13-6/14.
- **VBS:** 4 consecutive Wednesdays (July 12, 19, 26, and August 2) for grade 1-6.

Prayer Requests

Bob & Nancy Belville are at Pepperdine Bible Lectures in Malibu, CA. Pray for them to be uplifted and to return safely.

Teresa Robbins had lumbar spinal puncture, for diagnosis for headaches, dizziness and vision loss.

Abby Eckard seeks prayers for guidance-deciding between graduate school & working, after finishing college 5/12.

Drue Stroud seeks prayers & support, for upcoming college graduation - grad. announcement is on bulletin board.

Rose Ettia Tucker's (Cynthia's sister) medical tests came back favorably.

Scott Fitch had procedure, to address irregular heartbeat.

Ashley, Foyle & Tracie's daughter, seeks safe early delivery of son, Noah.

Alden Dixon, Nancy & Kevin Boggs & family are coping Lucille's recent passing.

Darcy King, Dillon's Mom, has hyperthyroidism & will have tests.

Margo Hull will not need back surgery at this time. Pray spinal blocks give relief!

Kiesha Hildebran, mother of Fitches' granddaughter's classmate, is in CMC with leg numbness and may need surgery

Brian Pasch, Mark Roberts' brother-in-law, finished chemo, will have a CT scan 5/30.

Kayla & Ethan Booms, the Roberts' friend, had baby Adelyn, brain issues are treatable.

John Quavis Keyes' teacher's daughter was blessed to give birth to a healthy baby.

Melissa Tolden, the Watkinses' friend, has leukemia and has been quite ill.

Kevin Bibbee and Barbara Gnann are recovering from cataract surgery.

Dave Bierce needs prayers for healing foot.

Verna Jordan, Hester's Mom, for strength and healing - she's at Hester's.

Mary Nichols is mending slowly, with some challenges, from recent medical procedure.

Dickie Locke, husband of Debbie Duncan's coworker, has aggressive stage 4 cancer.

Annika Gaardsdal, parent at Debbie Duncan's preschool, is speaking & moving left side, but little movement on right side, after a stroke. She was moved home to Sweden for intensive physical therapy.

Roy Henson awaits results of arm MRI.

Angela Arnett will have surgery June 13 to correct torn meniscus.

Roger Brady, husband of an AGAPE-NC Board Member, had unexpected heart surgery and will have a long recovery.

Kay Smith is still coping with her vertigo.

Ella Jane Mays is at Carillon, doing well.

Barbara Eddins - health challenges.

Billie Dennie - multiple health issues.

Lindsay Wray, Lionel Ellis' cousin, was attacked recently.

The Belvilles, daughter, Celeste, and grandson, Simon are adjusting to Phineas' (17) passing. Pray for comfort.

Foyle Perkins is having ongoing cancer treatments. Pray for God to renew him.

Margaret Sigmon - bone fracture and torn ligament in her arm, after a recent fall.

Barry Smith - glaucoma in one eye.

Emily McGrandy, Mark & Pam Roberts' daughter-in-law, has heart problems and is on bed-rest for baby due in May.

Guy Martin, Art & Hester's son-in-law, has recurring cancer.

Thomas Howell, Jane Mays' friend, needs salvation from Christ.

Church of Christ-Ilo, Peru - ongoing work there, full-time preacher to soon be in place.

Lectionary Readings

Acts 2:14a,36-41 Psalm 116:1-4,12-19 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

Scripture Readings

Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

John 10:1-10 "Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them. Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Notes from the Lesson:

When God Calls _____ ?

When We Run We _____ !

When We Run The _____ !

Romans 8:31 - "What then, shall we say in response to these things? _____ ?"

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/7 Koen Killian
5/7 Ann Stasny
5/8 Steve Burkhalter
5/9 Linda Farris



5/10 Bobbi Henson
5/10 Pam Roberts
5/11 Bryan Steelman

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5/10 Mark & Pam Roberts

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