

# Hickory Church of Christ

*Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.*

**Sunday, October 22, 2017**

## **Assembly: 10:30am**

(Wireless receivers available)

## **Sunday Classes, 9:30am**

**Adults: Gospels** - Percil, auditorium

**Teens:** Tom & Janet, hut

**Grades 4-6:** Bryan McDermott

**Grades 1-3:** Debbie Killian

**Ages 4-K:** Dora McDonald

## **Wednesday Classes, 7pm**

**Adults:** Old Testament, "The God Who Saves," Bob Belville, auditorium

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

**Teens:** Kevin & Kamy, hut

**Grades 1-6:** Theresa Watkins

**Preschool-K:** Missy Stroud

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

**LIFT:** First Sunday of month at 5:30pm, *Echoing his Heartbeat: The Life of David* by Casandra Martin. See Kamy or Janet. Next mtg: 11/5

**LIME:** Mondays at 10:30am in the church library, *A Heart Like Jesus* by Max Lucado. See Theresa or Georgiana.

## **Hospitality Coordinator:**

Tonya Osborne

**Kingdom Kids:** Janet Keever & Debbie Duncan

## **"All About Jesus: The Salvation"**

**Reading:** Psalm 96:1-9 - Bryce Hull  
*You Are Worthy of My Praise* (PB45)

**Prayer:** Cole Hull

*Wonderful, Merciful Savior* (PB40)

**Communion (Body)** - Tim Duncan

Meditate on Psalm 98:2

*Here I Am to Worship* (PB11)

**Communion (Blood)** - Tim Duncan

Meditate on Psalm 116:13

**Offering** - *A Wonderful Savior* (508)

**Dismiss Kingdom Kids**

**Reading:** Luke 1:68-79 - David Watkins

**Message:** Gary Knutson

*I Know that My Redeemer Lives* (528)

**Shepherd's Prayer**

*Days of Elijah* (PB6)

**Worship Leader:** Kevin Bibbee

**Servers:** Paxton Powell, Scott Powell, Mark Roberts, Kerry Sumner

**Nursery:** Tonya Osborne

**Sitting with the Sisters:** Barbara Gnann

**Greeters:** Hickory 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 at 3:30pm - Prepare/Enrich, a 5-wk marriage workshop**, facilitated by Mads Fredskilde. Couples can still attend for the first time. Dates planned for 10/22, 11/5, 19 and 26.
- Please let Theresa Watkins know if you can help with childcare during any session of the marriage workshop.
- The Conquer Series for Men with sexual sins and struggles with internet pornography is still meeting on Saturdays at 9am at HCOC. See Mads Fredskilde for more information.

## **ACTION TEAMS:**

- **Burke Plus** will meet at the Mayhue's home TODAY at 5pm. *Theme:* Halloween

**Annual Hayride at Tyler & Kristen Killians' (4114 Hideaway Ct. NE, Hickory 28601) on Sunday 10/29 at 4pm. REMEMBER:**

- bring hot dogs and buns for your family
- bring side dish, dessert or drink to share with the church family
- bring lawn chairs or blankets
- bring hot dog skewers/sticks if possible
- guests are very welcome!

**Sunday 10/29** - young men lead worship

**Saturday 11/4** - College/Young Adult Group going to the Renaissance Festival at 16445 Poplar Tent Rd, Huntersville, NC. See Tim/Debbie Duncan for details.

**Sunday 11/5 - Family and Friends Day** - we will have a pot blessing meal - please bring food, dessert and drinks to share. Invite others to share in this special time with us. Gary Knutson will be speaking.

## **November Senior Friends**

**Luncheon** is Tuesday, 11/14 at 11:30am at Golden Corral Restaurant on Lenoir Rhyne Blvd. Please let Retta know by Monday, 11/13 at 5pm if you plan to attend.

For a spiritual boost, let's all read **Psalm 19** aloud each morning for 30 days. In so doing, we will follow Foyle Perkins' daily practice of reading this God-honoring Psalm. As he was blessed immeasurably by reading this Psalm, so will we be.

Please let one of the elders know if you would like to be a weekend host for Gary & Gayle Knutson: 10/21-22 or 11/4-5

## **Prayer Needs**

***Pray for our community outreach, Men's Conquer Series, Prepare/Enrich Marriage Workshop, wildfires, students, growing faith***

**Tracie Perkins and family** - coping day to day with our brother Foyle Perkins' recent passing  
**Ann Stasny** - had second chemo treatment and cortisone shot for back and leg pain  
**Peggy McKearney** (mother of Ann Stasny's friend) - had several strokes and UTI's and is not doing well

**Lauren Harvey** (the Henry's great-niece in TN) - has POTS, affects her heart rate

**Billy Loftin** (friend of Burtons) - throat cancer, now out of ICU

**Marqo Hull and Tonya Osborne** - grieving the passing of Aunt Ruth Bryan

**Margo Hull** - had seizure at work, grateful for God's grace and protection, pray for health

**Ann Henry** - sees MS specialist 11/1

**Naomi Robinson** (Fitch's son's stepdaughter) - recovered from pneumonia, is home now

**Marion Sizemore** (Mary Nell's sister) - has shingles on her face, painful

**Tyrone Powell** (Lisa's son) - in CVMC for Crohn's

**Sally Cannon** - recovering after knee surgery

**Teresa Wishon** (Scott Powell's sister) - surgery for ruptured hematoma, out of work 6 weeks

**Sam Dennis** (Scott Fitch's sister's boyfriend in FL) - nodules on lungs, lymph nodes, arms and neck, biopsy to learn more

**Marti Shirah** - undergoing chemo treatments

**Phillip Welch** (Fitch's friend in Taylorsville) - finished chemo/radiation, lost 40 lbs

**Mark Roberts** - has liver cirrhosis, hopes mild

**Van Bodden** - in hospital in Greensboro, welcomes calls to 336-832-5713

**Billie Dennie** - wearing heart monitor

**Barbara Eddins** - several health challenges

**Hazel Howard** - back and leg pain due to stenosis and bulging discs in neck and back

**Mary Nichols** - lower back pain, tests done

**Marlene Matney** - in WV helping sister who had heart attack (sister: Janetta McClure)

**April McGrandy** - more kidney tests in Nov

**Lloyd** (Mark and Pam's infant grandson) - more issues with sleep apnea, more tests

**Guy Lail** (Debbie D's dad) - now has cancerous tumor in each kidney, tests, sees surgeon soon

## **Lectionary Readings:**

*Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22*

## **Scripture Reading**

**Psalm 96:1-9** - Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary. Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

**Luke 1:68-79** - Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David (as he said through his holy prophets of long ago), salvation from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us— to show mercy to our ancestors and to remember his holy covenant, the oath he swore to our father Abraham: to rescue us from the hand of our enemies, and to enable us to serve him without fear in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, my child, will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.

## **Notes from today's sermon:**

**Coming soon:** "New member/new Christian class" and "Difficult Questions from the Bible" class, details coming!

*If you have a vehicle, a valid driver's license, and a heart for people, please consider being a driver to pick up members & friends from Ridgecrest Apts for our classes and services. See Kevin Bibbee or the Watkins to help.*

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY:**

10/23 Cayla Covalinski

10/23 Lionel Ellis

10/26 Cynthia Lipford

10/28 Sara Stanley

10/28 Barbara Pannell



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