

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, December 29, 2019

Assembly: 10:30 am
(Wireless receivers available)

Sunday Classes, 9:30am

Adults: "Psalms", auditorium
2 Yrs – 12th Grade: Upstairs in education wing

Wednesday Classes, 7pm

Adults: "Practical Christianity", Percil Watkins, Fellowship Hall
College / Young Adults: "The Bible says THAT?!" Bob Belville, Auditorium
Teens: Bryan McDermott
Grades 1-6: Theresa Watkins
Preschool-K: Patsy Yoder

Food Pantry/New 2 You:
In M-25 Building 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 5-6pm

Ladies Studies:

LIFT: 1st Sun of every month at 5:30pm
LIME: Mondays at 10:30am

Wi-Fi Network:

Netgear69-5G
or
Hickory_Education_5G

Wi-Fi Password:
gentlesquash101

Together in Praise
Series: From the Manger to the Cross
Message: "About My Father's Work"

Welcome

Prayer – Bryan Steelman
Sing: O Little Town of Bethlehem (996)
Reading: Matthew 2:13-23 – Larry Duncan
Message: Luke 2:41-52
Sing: In My Father's House (958)
Communion: Blake Eckard
Offering
Sing: Wonderful Merciful Savior (PB 40)
Reading: Psalm 148 – Bryan McDermott
Sing: Praise the Lord (74)
Sing: We Praise Thee, O God (2)
Happy New Year Everyone!

Servers: Steve Killian, Scott Powell, Jerry Yoder, Noah Franks
Nursery: Mary Nell Covalinski
Sitting with the Sisters: Kamy
Kingdom Kids: None Today
Communion Prep: Margaret Sigmon
Hospitality: Dora McDonald



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

No Kingdom Kids Today (12/29/19)

No Wednesday classes on January 1st

Volunteers are sought, to organize and serve donuts and coffee, one or more Sun. each month before Bible class. Please meet in the auditorium, after worship TODAY, if you'd like to help with this Kingdom Cafe effort that we may connect with others for Christ.

The Senior Friends January luncheon will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 11:30 A.M., at the Four Peas in a Pod Restaurant on the left of Hwy. #70 going into Conover. Please call Retta by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, January 13, if you plan to attend.

Carolina Bible Camp (Mocksville, NC) Winter Camp is Jan. 17-20, 2020 - Teens (13-19) and adult workers are asked to sign-up. Parent volunteers, bring your younger kids, as dependent campers. www.ultracamp.com/info/upcomingSessions.aspx or email: jburton001@triad.rr.com.

Please turn in your change and special donations TODAY, to Tom Keever, to help AGAPE of NC Foster Care & Adoption Service.

Women of Hope Conference - "Rejoice in Hope" - March 6-7, 2020 at Embassy Suites, Murfreesboro, TN. Special Guest will be Karen Kingsbury, #1 New York Times Bestselling Author. Register: www.hhi.org/womenofhope. A number of our ladies attending. Early registration ends Feb. 3rd.

Dragon Slayer, our new Men's Spiritual Battle Fellowship, will start meeting Jan. 18, 8am-9:15am, for Bible study and breakfast. Meetings will take place each 3rd Sat, Jan-Jun next year. See David Shuping for details and/or to order workbooks.

Kingdom Kids and Youth Bible Class Teachers are needed. Sign-up on the bulletin board.

Pick up a copy of the 40 Days of Prayer document, in the foyer, and consider using this as part of your prayer time, beginning in the New Year

Women, please email David Shuping, dshuping@iredellcap.com, if you'd like to be part of a Self-Defense class starting in February.

Everyone, please contact David Shuping, if you're interested in Martial Arts training.

Carolina Bible Camp still urgently needs donations, to pay for swimming pool repairs. They are a long way from the \$60,000 goal. The pool is used for baptisms, swimming and team competitions. Any donation will be a HELP. Help today by giving online: <https://carolinabiblecamp.com/donate/> or mail it to: Carolina Bible Camp & Retreat Center, P.O. Box 1234, Mocksville, NC 27028.

The Communion preparation list for 2020 is on the bulletin board. Those wishing to volunteer to prepare the Lord's Supper are asked to sign-up.

Please pray for God to make known those He would have serve as elders with us. As early as January, everyone will be asked to submit names of men to be considered as shepherds.

The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCOC Daily Prayer for 2019 – to grow spiritually and for God’s kingdom to grow

Areas of focus from our Congregation Meeting - 1) Leadership; 2) Children's Ministry & 3) Finances

Pray for more opportunities to share Jesus and for hearts to be open to His good news.

Casey Allen is facing challenges.

Mayson Archer, a high school senior, has Leukemia.

Bob Belville is regaining strength.

Kevin Bibbee had basal cell carcinoma removed from his face. Pray for his timely recovery.

Mary Ellen Bross of NY, Dora McDonald's daughter; cancer treatments.

Ray Catlett's brother, Johnny, has cancer. The device to help his speech caused problems in his lungs.

Mary Nell Covalinski has melanoma on her scalp and a broken rib that is not healing.

Barbara Eddins is homebound.

Scott & Blanch Fitch are homebound. Scott sends his love to the church. Pray for them, as they work through her home care arrangements.

Nick Hall is in Army Basic Training. Please write him: Pvt Hall, Martin; Rooster #204 2nd Plt.; B-TRP,2-15 CAV, 194th; Ft. Benning, GA, 31905

Roy Henson and family experienced blessings, after recent challenges.

Cynthia Lipford and family are grieving the passing of her uncle.

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft (formerly known as Carillon) Assisted Living in Newton.

Mary Nichols is back home from the hospital.

Mark Roberts seeks a liver and/or lung transplant.

Marti Shirah is homebound.

Larry Sigmon, Eloise Burton’s brother, has been released from the hospital. Pray his spiritual needs are met.

Lisa Smith and Sara Stanley are hurting over family challenges.

Shele Smith will have second cataract surgery Dec. 30th.

Erika Wilfong is all better, following complications after her tonsillectomy.

Please pray for church members and others traveling over the holidays, for safety and God's blessings.

Pray for all students, at all levels, and school, police and military staff

Lectionary Readings

Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148

Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23

Notes

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Dec 30 Mark Roberts




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