Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, November 1, 2020

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The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

HCOC Daily Prayer – May God's Kingdom Grow Here...

Those with weakened immune systems, for protection from the coronavirus. Pray for a neighbor or friend to follow Christ

Betty, the mother of Sandra Hill, a recent HCOC visitor, is home from the hospital, after having a hip replacement. God has blessed her tremendously! **Casey Allen** needs strength for challenges.

Mary Ellen Bross, Dora's daughter, will have CT scan, to assess effectiveness of brain radiation she received

Winter Brooks, who visited HCOC several times with her young children, is recovering from being shot in her abdomen by her boyfriend. Pray for her healing. Pray for her children's safety & for her boyfriend to walk with Christ. Jerry Burton is home and has returned to work, after being evaluated at the hospital for pressure in his chest.

Shirley Burton, Jerry's sister in KY, has lung cancer.

Sally Cannon started dialysis recently and is getting adjusted to that. Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer, but is remaining as active as possible.

Conya, a visitor to HCOC, is looking for an apartment, so she will no longer be homeless.

Barbara Eddins has several health issues.

Lionel Ellis is fighting an acute sinus infection and high blood sugar which doctors are trying now to control with insulin. He is also bothered by alarmingly intense headaches. He will try a different antibiotic for his sinus issues. He is to be hospitalized soon if his condition remains as is. **Ann Henry** is continuing physical therapy at home and welcomes visitors.

Aaron & Emily Holmes & kids (Barbara Gnann's daughter) are in Mauritius now, off the east coast of Africa, for a 3-year mission trip. They are quarantined at a hotel, for 2 weeks, because of Covid-prevention guidelines. Pray for God's blessings & guidance for their efforts.

Eadie Hopkins is requiring more assistance, as she settles in with living with family.

Janelle, Jeremy Yoder's grandmother-in-law, is improving after initial treatments for a cancerous tumor on her spine.

Sparkle Lipford is hoping for an appointment at Duke, regarding a rare condition she is dealing with.

Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Mary Nichols is hopefully a recent procedure will reduce or eliminate her lower back pain.

Daniel, Anna Setzer's brother, is challenged by painful eye problems.Marti Shirah is dealing with a tumor, a suspected return of breast cancer.Lewis Steelman (87), Bryan's Dad, passed recently. Remember Bryan's Mom, Edith, Bryan and all the family.

Edith Steelman, Bryan's Mom, has worsening memory issues.

Tina, a friend to several in the Hickory church, is hospitalized with Covid. She has had several health challenges lately and God has restored her from them all. Pray for God's blessings on her recovery & on others who have the coronavirus. Pray too for her openness to the Gospel of Christ.

James (Jim) M. Valentine, a former Hickory Church of Christ elder, passed 10/11. Please remember his wife, Deane, of over 60 years; their daughters, Schell Rice and Paige Valentine; and other loved ones.

Logan Ward, David Shuping's stepson, is taking antibiotics for a lymphatic condition which contributed to his respiratory problems.

The coronavirus has affected many globally. Pray for a cure; for strength for those with the virus; for medical workers; for those who lost loved ones to the virus and for all affected in any way by the pandemic.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Nov 1 Kevin Bibbee Nov 1 Joey Osborne Nov 4 Sally Cannon HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Nov 5 Cliff Dautrich Nov 6 Alisha Lipford Nov 7 Amanda Mayhue

Lectionary Readings

Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12

November Hospitality Coordinator: Janet Keever

Announcements & Reminders

Daylight Savings Time Ended at 2am Today -Hopefully everyone set their clocks back one hour!

Our Worship is at 10:30am Sun. at HCOC. Attend; watch Facebook Livestream or recording later; or listen to recording later on the church website. The Facebook link and church website link are at the top of the bulletin. Kevin Bibbee is speaking on "Born From Above" from John 3. He shares three questions for us to meditate on: 1) What was Nicodemus' view of Jesus when they first met? 2) What do you feel might be Nicodemus' problem of understanding what Jesus was telling him? and 3) What of your own words would you use to describe to someone, in today's society, what it means to be "born again/born from above?"

Sundays at 9:20am (New Time) - Adult Zoom Bible Class: -Hosea is being studied. Meeting ID: 751 1909 5194 https://uso4web.zoom.us/j/75119095194

Shepherding Course will take place Sunday, Nov. 8, at 4pm in the church Fellowship Hall (downstairs, around back). Anyone, male or female, who wants to know more about the role of the shepherd, should attend and/or see Kevin Bibbee. Please wear a mask. We will meet with social distancing.

Young Adults' Yard Sale, Sat. Nov. 21, 7am-12noon at HCOC.

Please bring items to donate for the yard sale at 6pm on Fri., 11/20. If you can't bring items at this time or need to have items picked up, please contact Ali (828-855-5712) or Seth (423-598-1836). The Yard Sale rain date is Sat., 11/28 and rain date for donations will be Fri. 11/27. Please wear a mask, if possible, for the Yard Sale and social distance. Donations of hand sanitizer, plastic gloves, cups, hot chocolate, coffee, creamer and napkins are also needed.

Tom & Janet Keever have a new granddaughter (#4), to go with their seven grandsons. Madilyn Ida was born to Eric and April Keever (and big sister, Caroline), Mon., 10/26/20 at 11:25am. She weighed 6 lbs, 110z and was 19.5 inches long. Many congrats to all the Keevers on the birth of this new family member!

Many FREE Bibles and related Bible study books from the library of the late Bob Belville are in the church library in boxes. Please take any of these that you can use and/or contact Nancy Belville, as she has more FREE Bibles/Bible study books to choose from.

Our students need to hear from you. Please see our Online Church Directory and write to our college students and one distance high school student, to encourage them at this time. Daily Prayer Time on Zoom - a 15-minute time of prayer, at 12 noon, on weekdays begins this Mon., Nov. 2nd and is planned to occur for several weeks. Please see Percil Watkins, Seth Powell, or email hickorycofc@gmail.com, if you'd like to be part of this time and/or look for an email with the Zoom information.

Baptism: If you have not been baptized and are wanting to be baptized or want to know more about baptism, please see Kevin Bibbee or one of the other men leading worship today. Spiritual Gifts and Church Involvement: Please let some of our Ministry Leaders (see list in the church foyer) know of your desire to participate in current or new ministries. Every gift and member is important for building up the church body.

Monthly Financial Reports are available at <u>http://hickorychurch.org/financial-report/</u>

Email hickorycofc@gmail.com, if you need the password for this page. See Tom Keever for questions about the information on the reports.

When giving to HCOC (if not on Sundays)

- 1. Mail check to church address listed below
- 2. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee.
- 3. Donate: <u>http://hickorychurch.org/donate/</u>

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