Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, November 8, 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, had a hip replacement. God has blessed her tremendously!

Casey Allen needs strength for challenges.

Megan Bibbee is awaiting test results. Pray for her comfort and strength for the family.

Mark Byers, Ashley Lowman's endeared uncle in Florida, is taking intense treatments for Leukemia

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

Winter Brooks, a resident of nearby Ridgecrest Apartments, is recovering from being shot in her abdomen by her boyfriend. Pray for her healing. Pray for her children's safety and for her boyfriend to walk with Christ.

Art Burkhalter is in Frye Hospital's Cardiac Unit. He had a special stint put into an artery that was almost completely blocked. He is now on medication for excessive fluid build-up. Art and his wife, Hester, and family greatly appreciate the prayers from our church family.

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 is doing well, as she gets used to taking dialysis three times each weekly.

Johnny Catlett, Ray's brother, has cancer, but is remaining as active as possible. **Chain,** Anna Setzer's brother-in-law, fell back off a ladder, causing a cracked vertebrae. Pray for him and his wife, Nora.

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 seeing his blood sugar return to near normal levels, so he has not begun taking insulin for his diabetes. His acute sinus infection, high blood pressure issues and intense headaches are also improving.

Ali Franks will have outpatient surgery, Fri. Nov. 12, to straighten her deviated septum, to improve her breathing

Barbara Gnann's neighbors have Covid. They have helped her tremendously, even with recently installing her hot water heater at no cost!

Rachel Haas, Barbara Gnann's co-worker, has uterine cancer

Roy Henson lost his porch roof, with Tropical Storm Zeta

Ann Henry is continuing physical therapy at home and welcomes visitors.

Aaron & Emily Holmes & kids (Barbara Gnann's daughter) are in Mauritius, off the east coast of Africa, for a three-year mission trip. They finished their two-week Covid-related quarantine. Pray for God's blessings on their efforts.

Eadie Hopkins is settling in with new accommodations with family.

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

Tyler Killian, Koen and Landen Killian are doing very well, and Kristen is continuing to improve after all of them tested positive for COVID. Their newborn, Georgia, remains COVID-free. Kristen's parents, Terry and Karen Thrift, also have COVID and are struggling with lung symptoms. Kristen's great-niece, Baby Skyla, who is 5 months old, also with COVID. Debbie Killian, Tyler's mother, also has COVID.

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 her 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 now home, recovering from Covid. She has had several health challenges lately and God has restored her from them all. Praise God for her recovery to-date. Pray too for her continued 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nov 8 Jessica Van Kuren Nov 9 Myra Hill Nov 10 Barbara Eckard Nov 10 Lucille Woodrum

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Nov 11 Valerie Keyes Nov 12 Jerry Burton Nov 13 Gayle Jaschob

Announcements & Reminders

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 "One Who Sets You Free" from John 4 in the Sermon Series: Jesus, God's Love in Action. Reflect on these questions: 1) How did the water the woman offered Jesus differ from the water He offered her? 2) With what actions did Jesus show the woman He loved her? 3) How are you showing Jesus' love for the people you connect with daily? and 4) By walking through Samaria and talking to this woman, Jesus crossed boundary lines of prejudice. In your life, what prejudices do you need to cross, in order to bring Jesus' love to people

Sundays at 9:20am (New Time) - Adult Zoom Bible Class: -Hosea is being studied. Meeting ID: 751 1909 5194 https://us04web.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.

Our students need to hear from you, before they return home for Thanksgiving. Please see our Online Church Directory and write to our college students and one distance high school student, to encourage them at this time. Our encouragement can bless them in these challenging times.

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.

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 & member is important for building up the church body.

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: http://hickorychurch.org/donate/

Lectionary Readings

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

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