

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, December 12, 2021

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Recorded Sermons: <http://hickorychurch.org/sermons/>

Link to Daily Lectionary: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/>

The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

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

Pray for a neighbor or friend to follow Christ.

Praise God for what He is doing in our midst!!!

Pray for God to be honored and souls drawn more to Christ, with all those listed below:

College & School-Age Students for Peace & Favor, as they complete exams and schoolwork for the semester. Pray for safety for travelers.

Various areas in the U.S. were hit by deadly tornadoes recently.

Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges.

Arditti Family – for healing from physical challenges and strength for the family.

Peter Ballard, John and Ann Stasny's brother-in-law in Connecticut passed last Sat. Please pray for Peter's wife, Barbara, John's sister, and for John, Ann and the entire family.

Bill Barnette, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, has health challenges

Peter Dawson Tsukuyomi Donell Blasingame-Vinson was born to Alequia Blasingame and Garry Vinson. Pray for God's favor on the family.

Billie Dennie is in Room 265 at Frye Hospital with fluid build-up around her heart.

Barbara Gnann arrived safely in Mauritius and is visit her missionary children there this month.

(Martha) Ann Henry had emergency surgery last Saturday and progressed well during the week. She is in room 515 at CVMC.

Glenn Herman, a local electrician familiar to several at HCOC, lost his wife recently, after an extended illness.

Sharon Hyatt, Ann Stasny's cousin, has stage 1 lung cancer.

Leroy Kennedy is home from Iredell Hospital but needs prayers for continued healing in his lungs. He had several health challenges. He's from Northview Church of Christ, Statesville.

Rossana Lecaros and her brother, Jesus, are at home with Covid. Their sister, **Regina**, and brother-in-law, **Rolando**, are hospitalized with Covid and receiving oxygen. Regina and Rolando's daughter also has Covid.

Joann Lipford – Tony's mom in GA is recovering from respiratory issues.

Guy Martin has lung cancer. He is the Burkhalter's son-in-law.

Daniel Naceanceno, Anna Setzer's brother in Texas, had his eye removed Monday and will get a prosthetic several weeks from now.

Louise Scronce (Scott Fitch) has heart and kidney problems and Leukemia.

Mae Sigmon, Jerry & Eloise Burton's sister-in-law, passed in Aug. from liver cancer. Please pray for this family, as the holidays approach.

Ethan Smith and family are grieving the passing of his great-grandmother in TN.

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

Shut-Ins: Mary Nell Covalinski, Donna Davis, Barbara Eddins, Deborah Miles & Marti Shirah. Jane Mays is at Elmcroft Assisted Living.

Pray for the church; families; students & school/college staff; police & military; govt. leaders & our nation.

Announcements & Reminders

Happy and blessed 2021 to everyone!

2021 Appeal: "Open the Eyes to My Heart, Lord"

Sunday at 9:30 - Adult and Kids' Bible Classes. The Adult class is also on Zoom and is studying 1 Peter. Workbooks are available in the church library. Email office@hickorychurch.org for the Zoom link.

Sunday Worship at 10:30am –The worship will be Livestreamed on Facebook and the recording will be on the church website. Facebook and church website links are at the top of the bulletin. **Kevin Bibbee will speak on “The Gift of Joy,” from the series, “The Gifts of Christmas” – Luke 2:10-11 & 1 Peter 1:8.**

Elder Nomination – More time is needed, before we hear who is willing to serve as elder. The church will be asked to pray over the men interested in serving. If a scriptural objection is found, for either man, submit a signed statement to the committee. The men making the commitment will be presented as soon as possible.

Northview COC “Jesus Is” Sermons – 5pm – Dec. 19 – 2615 Amity Hill Rd, Statesville, NC

Thanks to those who planned and volunteered with our Parents and Kids’ Christmas Party yesterday. We are grateful for all who attended and how God was honored in this time. Our Christmas Caroling was canceled, due to the inclement weather.

Give to AGAPE of NC thru Sun. 12/19 – Foster Care & Adoption Service. ~ Donate Online at: www.agapeofnc.org/donate ~Text GIVE to [919-335-4685](tel:919-335-4685) ~Send Checks directly to: AGAPE of NC, PO Box 985, Wake Forest, NC 27588. ~ Contribute through HCOC offering, designating "For AGAPE of NC"

Carolina Bible Camp – Winter Camp is Jan. 14-17, 2022. Register at <https://carolinabiblecamp.com/>. Students 9-19 yrs are encouraged to register & adult volunteers.

Winterfest, Gatlinburg, TN, Feb. 18-20 – “Shipwrecked,” John 16:33. Middle and High School Students, please see Bryan McDermott, if you are interested in attending. Registration is \$40. Cost of food, spending money, and t-shirts is extra.

LIME – Ladies’ Bible Study Mon at 10:30am in the church Fellowship Hall – “Living Stones” - 1 Peter.

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger. Email office@hickorychurch.org to join.

Food Pantry in M-25 Bldg - 1st & 3rd Tues at 4:30pm

Young Adult Bible study – Wed. at 6pm in the Hut.

Youth Zoom Studies - Wed. at 7:30pm (Grades K-5). Email office@hickorychurch.org to have kids join.

Lenoir-Rhyne Univ – Bears in Scripture Bible Study Thursdays at 7pm at in the LRU Meeting room behind the Chapel, beginning Jan. 13, 2022 at 7pm.

Grades 6-12 Zoom Bible Study – Sat. at 7pm. Contact bmcdermott@hickorychurch.org, to participate.

Nursery & Kids’ Worship/Bible Teachers Needed – See Janet, Patsy or Theresa. To help with emailing the church or serving in other areas, please let Kevin Bibbee or those working in these areas know.

When giving to HCOC

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/>

Happy Birthday

Dec 14 – Justin Kime

Dec 18 – Kelsey Fecteau

December Hospitality Coordinator – Dora McDonald

Preaching Minister: Kevin Bibbee

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