

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, December 19, 2021

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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:

For Holiday Travelers to have God’s protection.

For Tornado Relief Workers and Others Affected by Tornadoes to have God’s favor, in areas across the U.S. hit by recent tornadoes.

Praising our God, for the recent safe release from Haiti of 17 U.S. and Canadian Missionaries who were being held as hostages there.

Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges.

Arditti Family – for healing from physical challenges and deeper faith in Jesus 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. Memorial service is today in CT.

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 passed Tues, Dec. 14th, at Frye Hospital. Prayers for comfort are appreciated for her family and loved ones. See details on the right, for the Celebration of Life Services to be held today.

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

(Martha) Ann Henry had emergency surgery and has been in/out of ICU since. She is now in ICU at CVMC, but thankfully is not on the ventilator.

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

Rossana Lecaros and her brother, Jesus, are home with Covid. Their sister, Regina, and brother-in-law, Rolando, are hospitalized due to great difficulties with Covid. 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.

Michael (Mike) Mobley of Murfreesboro, TN, a former servant here with the Hickory congregation passed Thurs., Dec. 9. Pray for his wife, Jan; his children, Erin and Christopher; and other family and friends. <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/murfreesboro-tn/michael-mobley-10481428>

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

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

Ethan Smith and family are grieving his great-grandmother’s passing.

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.

Happy Birthday

Dec 21 – Sara Watkins

Dec 22 – Hannah Watkins

Dec 23 – Hester Burkhalter

Dec 24 – Megan Rae Hollar

Anniversary

Dec 19 – Jerry & Eloise Burton

Dec 23 – Tony & Cynthia Lipford

December Hospitality Coordinator – Dora McDonald

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 Jesus – Part 1” from the series, “The Gifts of Christmas” – Colossians 1:15-17 & Philippians 2:7.

Sister (Willie) Billie M. Dennie passed into eternity and is resting from her faithful service here. Prayers for her sons, Randy (Pam), Ricky (Diane) and Terry (Tammy) Dennie; and daughter, Kim Hall are greatly appreciated. The family will receive friends from 1pm – 2pm TODAY and The Celebration of Life will be held at 2pm TODAY at Hickory Church of Christ with Kevin Bibbee officiating. Burial will follow in Brookford City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hickory Church of Christ, 1218 Fairgrove Church Rd., Hickory, NC 28602. A meal will be provided for the Dennie Family, from 11:30am - 1pm in the church Fellowship Hall Sun. <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/23389861/willie-mae-burns-dennie/hickory/north-carolina/bass-smith-funeral-home>

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.

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

Give to AGAPE of NC thru TODAY Sun. 12/19 – Foster Care & Adoption Service. ~ Donate Online at: www.agapeofnc.org/donate ~Text GIVE to 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-Rhyme 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.

When giving to HCOC

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2. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee.
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Prayer requests and announcements: bulletin@hickorychurch.org