Hickory Church of Christ

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Sunday, December 26, 2021 Watch Sunday Sermon Live: https://www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/ 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: For Holiday Travelers to have God's protection. For Relief Workers and Those Affected by Tornadoes to have God's favor, in U.S. areas hit by recent tornadoes. Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges. Arditti Family – praising God for Jeff's improvement with autoimmune challenges; pray he is strengthened quickly by physical therapy. Peter Ballard, John and Ann Stasny's brother-in-law in CT passed. Pray for Peter's wife, Barbara, John's sister, and for the Stasny's and 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 passed Tues, Dec. 14th, at Frye Hospital. Prayers for comfort are appreciated for her loved ones. Barbara Eckard's Dec. 28th knee replacement is postponed at least a month or two, because of medication she has been taking. Barbara Gnann is visiting her missionary children in Mauritius this month. Martha "Ann" Henry passed Tues. Dec. 21st at CVMC. Pray for comfort for her loved ones. Details for today's Celebration of Life are on the right. Sharon Hyatt, Ann Stasny's cousin, has stage 1 lung cancer. Rossana Lecaros' sister, Regina, is off the ventilator after having Covid, but is not expected to live much longer. Regina's husband, Rolando, also

had Covid, but is now home under Hospice care.

Sparkle Lipford is taking infusion treatments for Covid.

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. <u>https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/murfreesboro-</u> 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.

Michelle Patrick, Theresa Watkins' sister-in-law's immune system was too weak to take recent Chemotherapy treatment.

Louise Scronce (Scott Fitch) - heart and kidney problems and Leukemia. 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 Jesus – Part 2" from the series, "The Gifts of Christmas" – 1 John 4:9-10

Sister Martha "Ann" Headrick Henry passed Tues.; her sweet, faithful spirit will be greatly missed. Pray for her sons, Carl II (Karen) and Steven (Melissa), and other loved ones. Ann's husband, Ron, served as a faithful Elder with the Hickory church, before passing in April 2020. Visitation is 1pm – 1:45pm and The Celebration of Life is at 2pm TODAY at HCOC. Burial will be in Conover City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hickory Church of Christ.

https://www.bennettfuneralservice.com/obituaries/Martha-Ann-Headrick-Henry?obId=23465639#/obituaryInfo

Elder Nominations: <u>Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve</u> <u>Killian and Percil Watkins are willing to help shepherd</u> <u>the body here.</u> If anyone has concerns about either man serving, please see Jerry Burton or Kevin Bibbee. Otherwise, these men will become shepherds at Hickory on Sunday, January 2, 2022.

Self-Defense Class – Mon. Dec. 27th at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. Contact David Shuping, to sign-up.

New Adult Class starts Sun. Jan. 9 at 9:30am - 1 & 2 Thessalonians - Hope for Difficult Times. Does the Pandemic mean we are in the last days? Come and Invite others to our adult and infants - teen classes and uplifting worship assembly.

Senior Luncheon is Wed. Jan. 12th at 12 noon at Dos Amigos on 4th Street in Hickory. RSVP with Ann Stasny. Carolina Bible Camp – Winter Camp is Jan. 14-17, 2022. Register at https://carolinabiblecamp.com/.

Winterfest, Gatlinburg, TN, Feb. 18-20 – "Shipwrecked," John 16:33. Middle and High School Students, please see Bryan McDermott, if interested.

Harding University Women's Conference – "Unveiled"- Feb. 18-19 - <u>https://harding.edu/events/bloom</u>

LIME – Ladies' Bible Study Mon at 10:30am in the

Fellowship Hall - 1 Peter study. – Resumes Jan. 10th

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger. Email <u>office@hickorychurch.org</u> 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 at 7:30pm (Grades K-5). Email <u>office@hickorychurch.org</u> 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 –

Resumes Jan. 8th.

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- 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>

Happy Birthday Dec 27 – Ron Gemperline & Mary Nichols Dec 28 – Eamon Fecteau Jan 1 – Sharon Duncan & Tom Killinger

Anniversary

Dec 27 – Blake & Barbara Eckard Dec 28 – Percil & Theresa Watkins & Eamon & Kelsey Fecteau Preaching Minister: Kevin Bibbee Church office: 828.464.4983 Address: 1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28602 Website: www.hickorychurch.org www.facebook.com/HCOC111 Prayer requests and announcements: bulletin@hickorychurch.org

December Hospitality Coordinator – Dora McDonald