Hickory Church of Christ

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Sunday, August 28, 2022

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Worship Schedule

2022 Theme: "Relentless Pursuit"

Sunday at 9:30 In-Person - Adult and Kids' Bible Classes. Workbooks are available in the church library.

Sunday Worship at 10:30am In-person. The Livestream will be on Facebook and the recording will be on the church website later in the week (see links at the top of the bulletin). Les Bonnett's message this week "God is my Strength & Refuge" Text Psalm 46

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

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger -"One Another". See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny to join.

HCOC Millennials (for mid 20's to late 30's) Bible study – Wed. at 6:30pm in the Hut.

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

LRU Bears in Scripture Bible Study meets at LRU in the Multi-purpose room in the back of the chapel. Thursday at 7pm. Everyone is invited.

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

September Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Killian

Church Information

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Announcements & Reminders

Praise God for bringing Flavio and Renee Uribe here. Flavio is traveling but will be back by mid-September to speak more with us on Sundays. Renee will return from South Africa around the same time. Pray with them, as they look to God for where He is leading them. Sign-up on the bulletin board to host them for a meal or you can give them a restaurant card.

Stone Mountain State Park hiking trip- We will be meeting at the park Sun. August 28st at 1:45pm. Please see Ali Franks for details, or RSVP under "Events" in the Hickory Church of Christ Family Facebook group.

Carolina Bible Camp Bluegrass Festival is a great time to reunite with your Camp friends! Saturday, September 10, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. - Only \$15.00 advance tickets/ \$20 at the gate; children under 12 FREE! - Great music! The Kruger Brothers, Junior Sisk Band, Carley Arrowood Band, and Big Ron Hunter - Great food, including a festival 10th anniversary cake! - Free activities for kids, like a Nature Walk, Ga-Ga Ball, Jam Tent, and arts and crafts! - Unique shopping with vendors, and special auction items! - Be a volunteer! This festival is a terrific fundraiser that helps our camp keep operating, and also reaches many, many people in the community outside of Camp. We hope you will come join us for some of the best memories to be made together. For more info and to purchase tickets, visit

www.cbcbluegrass.com or call festival director Lisa Brewer at (336) 262-6325

LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together first meeting is Sun. Sept 11 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. The study will be of Casandra Martin's book on Jesus' Cross. Books are \$20; pay Kamy by Sept. 11 or let her know if you need a free book.

Happy Birthday

8/28 Tracie Perkins, 9/30 Marlene Matney, 8/31 Billy Davis, 9/1 Alyssa Lipford

Happy Anniversary

8/29 Bryan and Jennifer Steelman



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 and for the doors He is opening for the Gospel of Christ. Pray for God to be honored and souls drawn to Christ, for those listed below:

Pray daily for our shepherds: Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian and Percil Watkins. Please let our shepherds know of any spiritual or other concerns that they can assist you with.

The Ukrainian War continues. Pray for all in Ukraine and Russia. Pray for peace and that God will be honored. Support Healing Hands International's efforts to give relief to those in the Ukraine: <u>https://www.hhi.org/ukraine</u> Art Burkhalter has arteries that are over 90% blocked. Doctors indicate there is nothing further they can do for him Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges.

Margaret Burns is experiencing more back pain, in spite of seeing the chiropractor and pain doctor recently. Carol Byrd (85), David Shuping's mother, had quadruple bypass surgery. Praise God the surgery went well. Sally Cannon is home from hospital and is in rehab continuing to recover.

Ruth Cloninger, Anita Wilfong's mother, is at Abernethy Laurels for rehab, after surgery due to a fall. Pam Dennie for comfort, given the loss of her brother and stepfather. The memorial service for her stepfather, Francis Lopez, was Friday in Michigan. Pray for Pam's mother, Penny Lopez, for strength amid these losses. Roy Henson is home with Covid and hurting.

Lewis Hollar, Megan Rae's grandfather, is in remission for Leukemia, but taking treatments for maintenance. Jo Lipford, Tony's mom, is home from the hospital in Atlanta and taking physical therapy.

Suzy Lents, Patsy Yoder's sister, is being treated for cancer. Pray for good outcome for her.

Johnella Morris (90) of Chattanooga needs prayers for strength, after being in the hospital and rehab for 20 days. Her daughter, Henrietta, needs prayers as the caregiver. Henrietta is the college friend of Theresa Watkins'. Timmy Rainwater is having eye surgery for glaucoma on his left eye November 7.

Kirk Sams, minister for Kannapolis Church of Christ, is teaching a limited number of Bible classes, after a horrific car accident this summer that resulted in extensive injuries. He hopes to resume some preaching in September. **Kay Smith** is taking vestibular therapy to help her vertigo.

Edith Steelman, - Please continue praying for Bryan Steelman's mom (Ali grandmother). She has several heart issues, including a-fib, heart failure and leaky valves, but looks to go back to Grace Village Memory Care soon. **Ed Swanner**, Ron Gemperline's friend, had a heart attack recently.

Renee Uribe is in South Africa working on her dissertation.

Alice Maxine Wharton, Andy's mother, of Parkersburg, WV, passed August 2nd. The family will have a private graveside service 9/10. Read the obituary of this faithful follower of Christ

here: <u>https://www.lamberttatman.com/obituaries/Alice-Wharton/#!/Obituary</u>. Please remember this wonderful family in prayer.

Lucille Woodrum's sister, Alice Ellis, passed away in Oneida, TN.

David Young, Senior Minister of N. Blvd Church of Christ in TN, is taking immunotherapy treatment for kidney and lung cancer, but praises God he is back to preaching regularly.

Shut-Ins: Donna Davis, Barbara Eddins, Mary Nichols, and Marti Shirah. Jane Mays at Terra Bella Assisted Living.

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