

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, October 16, 2022

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



Worship Schedule

2022 Theme: "Relentless Pursuit"

Sunday at 9:30 In-Person - Adult and Kids' Bible Classes. Workbooks are on the foyer credenza for the adult class on 1 and 2 Timothy.

Sunday Worship at 10:30am In-person. The Livestream will be on Facebook. **Kevin's Message "Reason for a New Heart"** Text: **Matthew 13:10-15**

LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together Bible Study – 1st Sundays at 6pm in Fellowship Hall

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 at the Bibbees' home or Waterbean Coffee Shop. See Ali Franks for details.

LIME – Ladies Interceding Mentoring & Encouraging Bible Study – 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Zoom Studies - Wed. at 7:30pm (Grades K-5). Email office@hickorychurch.org 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 7:15pm. Everyone is invited.

October Hospitality Coordinator

Debbie Killian/Janet Keever

Church Information

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1. Drop Offering in Box on Back Wall of Auditorium
2. Mail check to church address listed below
3. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
4. Donate: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

Announcements & Reminders

Pumpkin Carving and Costume Party, Fri. Oct 21, 6-9pm for the church family! Please bring a pumpkin and carving tools! Bring hot dogs, buns, condiments, snack, s'mores, etc, for hot dog roasting and making s'mores.

Our Trunk or Treat is Sun Oct. 30th, in the front parking lot. We need volunteers, vehicles and candy. Decorate your trunk if you want to and wear a costume if you (No witches or scary costumes, please) Contact Megan Rae ASAP at 828-446-9524, if you can participate in this. We need at least 8-10 cars to make it work.

Bring Your Kids to Our 9:30am Sunday School. Eager teachers and amazing interactive Bible lessons await them. We aim to help prepare them for life's challenges. Kids get popcorn in the movie room and Bibles while supplies last.

Sign-up to Receive Text Messages about urgent church news via Remind program: TEXT @28c9869 to 81010.

Cards of Encouragement for our College Students are being collected thru today 10/16. Bring store-bought of any card/note to bless these young people. Place cards in the box labeled "Cards for college Kids" in the foyer. Kamy will send these to our students who are midway through this semester. Kaylin Bibbee, Kimi Hall, Blake Jefferson, Bryce Jefferson, Damion Medwinter, Ethan Smith, David Watkins, Sara Watkins, Hannah Watkins, and Braden Wharton.

Annual Hay Ride, Sat, Nov. 5, 4pm at Tyler & Kristen Killian's home on Hideaway Court NE in Hickory 28601. (House number is not given, as GPS will get you lost) Bring enough hot dogs for your family, plus a side dish, dessert and drinks to share. Don't forget your chairs and roasting sticks.

Valdese Lakeside Park Hiking Trip, Sun. 11/13: Meet in the trailhead parking lot near the restrooms at 1:15 pm.

If you have a 7 passenger van or SUV you can loan Barbara Gnann any time between Nov. 30 – Dec. 23, please let her know. Emily and Aaron Holmes will be here then and could use it.

Roy Henson needs affordable used recliner.

Happy Birthday

10/17 Jimmie Link 10/19 Kerry Sumner, 10/20 Mary Nell Covalinski

Happy Anniversary

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: <https://www.hhi.org/ukraine>

Hurricane Ian devastated southwest Florida, Puerto Rico and parts of the east coast. Donate to relief efforts here: <https://disasterassistancecoc.com/donate>. Pray for all affected.

Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges.

Howard Abernathy, Joli Burkhalter's Dad (Joli is Art & Hester's daughter-in-law), passed Monday in Hildebran.

Margaret Burns is getting help from her doctors for her back pain.

Carol Byrd (85), David Shuping's mother, Praise God for her doing so well with surgery and her recovery.

Ruth Cloninger, Anita Wilfong's mother, is at Abernethy Laurels for rehab, after surgery due to a fall.

Emma Doss, Anna Setzer's sister in TX, is having a difficult time with Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

Barbara Gnann needs help w/ yard work over the next 2 weeks, after recent surgery.

Ronda Hayes, Mary Nichols' daughter, has neck artery blockages, cataracts, & blockages in veins behind her eyes.

Lewis Hollar, Megan Rae's grandfather, is taking treatments for maintenance of his Leukemia.

Bryce Jefferson seeks prayers for a man with emotional challenges.

Jo Lipford, Tony's mom, is home from the hospital in Atlanta and taking physical therapy.

Rossana Lecaros has trouble with her sinuses and ear infections. She will have sinus surgery on October 21st.

Suzy Lents, Patsy Yoder's sister passed last Sunday. Patsy is grateful for all prayers offered during her illness.

Dora McDonald seeks God's protection, as she travels to NY to see her daughters and other family.

Damion Medwinter's paternal grandmother's funeral was in Jamaica yesterday. Please pray for his safe travels and comfort.

Michael Moritz is at Baptist Hospital for tests.

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.

Zeke Nance, Blake Jefferson's LRU football teammate, had three surgeries and was in pain after a recent game.

Mary Nichols had an MRI for her back pain. Results indicate lower back issues are causing her discomfort.

Craig and Teresa Phillips and Family -Please pray for this family as they continue their work in Asia.

Timmy Rainwater is having eye surgery for glaucoma on his left eye November 7.

Edith Steelman, Bryan's mom, is back at Grace Village Memory Care unit.

Flavio & Renee Uribe are in Canada assisting friends. Pray for their strength in doing so and for God's blessings on their friends.

Theresa Watkins seeks prayers to believe even more deeply in God's incredible power and faithfulness.

Percil Watkins ask for prayers for the church in St. Martin where they are struggling.

David Young, Sr. Minister of N. Blvd. Church of Christ in TN, rejoices that he is preaching again, after being hospitalized for pancreatitis perhaps related to immunotherapy for kidney/lung cancer.

Shut-Ins: 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.
