

# Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, November 20, 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.

**Sunday Worship at 10:30am In-person.** The Livestream will be on Facebook. Kevin's message is "How to have a GRACE-FULL Thanksgiving" Texts: Titus 3:1-8

**LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together Bible Study** – 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 6pm in Fellowship Hall

**Food Pantry in M-25 Bldg - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. at 4:30pm.**

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

**Small Group Meal and Fellowship - Wednesdays at 6:30pm,** in the church Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner and join us for informal fellowship and prayer. Kids' Bible class meets at 7pm. – **NO MEETING WILL BE HELD – Wed. Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

**HCOc Millennials (for mid 20's to late 30's) Bible study – Wed.** at 6:30pm At the Hut. See Ali Franks for details.

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

**LRU Bears in Scripture Bible Study** Thursday at 7:15pm in the back of the LR Chapel **The Study is Canceled for Thurs. Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**November Hospitality Coordinator**

Janet Keever

## Church Information

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**Prayer requests and announcements:**

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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

**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.

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

**HCOc Millennial's Friendsgiving:** Fri. 11/25 at 6:30pm in the hut. RSVP online or with Megan Rae! Bring a dish to share.

**Inputs for the 2023 Church Budget** are needed from ministry leaders and others by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please get these to Larry Duncan [ldl75@aol.com](mailto:ldl75@aol.com)

**Table Rock Summit Hike:** Sun. Dec. 11 at 2:15 in the Linville Gorge. RSVP on Facebook or contact Ali Franks. For your safety, please read through hike information prior to attending.

**Church Building Cleaning:** Dec. 12-19, 9am-12 weekdays & 9am-3pm on Sat. Come out and help. See Blake Eckard for info

**Seniors' Lunch, Wed. Dec. 14 at 12 noon** at El Paso Mexican on Hwy 70 in Conover. RSVP: Ann Stasny, 828-310-6404.

**Christmas Game Night** Sat 12/17, 6:30pm-9:00pm in the fellowship hall. Bring your own dinner, and a treat or drink to share. We have s'mores, a fire, and indoor/outdoor games.

**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 and could use it.

**Paper Copies of the Latest Church directory** are available- See Anna Setzer or Natalie Cain for one of these. Please attempt to log on to <http://hickorychurch.org/directory/>. See one of our ministry servants for the password.

**The Chosen** – <https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen> - multi-series about Jesus' life Join us in seeing The Season 3 movie at AMC Theater on **Tues. Nov. 29**, RSVP to Percil or Theresa Watkins.

## Happy Birthday

11/20 Randy Adcox 11/21 Randy Pannell 11/22 Lucas Arnett

## Happy Anniversary

11/25 Kenneth & Alice Lail

## **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>

**Casey Allen** needs strength to overcome challenges.

**Bill Barnette**, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, is recovering from getting artery stents.

**Hazel Barrow** got needed ear tubes Monday, though there were some challenges in the process.

**Lynn Benicken**, Dora McDonald's daughter passed. Pray for Dora; Tom, Lynn's husband, and family.

**Art Burkhalter** has been retaining fluid, but changes in his medications have given him great relief.

**Margaret Burns** is hopeful a back brace will help her be more comfortable while dealing with back pain.

**Eloise Burton** was with us in the worship assembly Sunday, in spite of her recent fall.

**Sally Cannon** was with us Sunday. Her car was totaled recently, when a car T-Boned her. She had no broken bones. Thank God. **Leon Rousseau** has been great in helping her with transportation, etc.

**Ruth Cloninger**, Anita Wilfong's mom, is at The Greens in Lincolnton (Brian Center) working on getting stronger.

**Angel Crowe and Ronda Thorne**, Mary Nichols' daughters, have a bad case of the flu and cataracts causing vision loss, respectively. Pray they both return to the Lord.

**Eric Glenn, Watkin's friend**, will have open heart surgery in November.

**Dennis Harrow**, the Wharton's friend, has kidney cancer.

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

**Blake Jefferson** injured his leg Sat. in LR's last football game.

**Cynthia Lipford** was with us in the worship assembly Sunday. She and Tony continue to assist with his mom's care in Atlanta.

**Dora McDonald** is grateful for calls, cards, and all kindnesses extended to her surrounding Lynn's passing (her daughter).

**Mike Moritz** is home recovering from a lengthy hospital stay.

**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.

**Craig Phillips and family** are grieving his mom's passing.

**David Shuping's granddaughter** has some medical challenges.

**William Smeriglio**, the Stasny's grandson, is battling Covid, after more than a week.

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

**University of VA Campus Shooting** - pray for those affected by and involved with the murder of three current football players and injuring two other students.

**Flavio and Renee Uribe** bless us so much. Pray for them, as they will celebrate Thanksgiving in Rhode Island with their children, then go back to Ottawa to share with precious friends there. They are to go to South Africa, when Renee defends her dissertation real soon.

**Donnie Watkins**, Billy Davis' cousin, passed away in New Hampshire after a brief illness.

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

**Theresa Watkins** seeks wisdom for showing grace in key situations.

**Stacey Whitmire** is having significantly fewer dizzy spells. Praise God.

**Marion Williams**, the Watkins' friend, has bladder cancer.

**Samantha Willis** - SVT heart issues.

Pray that all stay spiritually strong amid physical challenges. Pray for one another, even for those not listed here.

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

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

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