

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 1, 2023

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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: What's New in 2023 Text: 2 Corinthians 5:17**

LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together Bible Study – 1st Sundays at 6pm in Fellowship Hall – **This month, the meeting is on Jan. 8th, due to the new year holiday.**

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

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger - "One Another" resumes meeting Jan. 2nd. See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny to join.

Small Group Meal and Fellowship – Wed. at 6:30pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner and join us for informal fellowship and prayer. Kids' Bible class meets at 7pm.

HCOC Millennials (for mid 20's to late 30's) Bible study – Wed. at 6:30pm at the Hut or at Waterbean Coffee Shop. Come out and join the group in watching "The Chosen." See Ali Franks for details.

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

LRU Bears in Scripture Bible Study resumes meeting Thurs, January 19, 2023 in the Hickory Room of The Cromer Center.

December Hospitality Coordinator

Dora McDonald

Church Information

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When giving to HCOC:

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

Happy New Year!!!

Bring Kids to 9:30am Sunday Bible Classes. Eager teachers and amazing interactive Bible lessons await them.

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

Church Hiking trip Sun. 01/08 at 1:30pm at South Mountain. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks. Please read through the hike info prior to attending.

Senior's Lunch – Thursday, Jan. 12th – 12 noon at 321 Café, 2725 Northwest Blvd, Newton, NC.

Winter Bible Camp at Carolina Bible Camp, Jan. 13-16, for ages 13-19 <https://carolinabiblecamp.org/wintercamp>

AGAPE of NC Foster-Adoption Service Annual Giving. Get an AGAPE white or red cup from the church foyer- to collect your change (\$\$) through Sunday Jan. 15; write a check to HCOC (with AGAPE on memo line); or give online at: <https://tinyurl.com/AGAPEWorthIt2022>.

Parents' Night Out – Sat. Jan. 21, 5-9pm, around back in the church Fellowship Hall. Register kids (ages 0-16) at <https://tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO23>. Space is limited.

Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship Sat. Jan. 28th at 11M-12:30pm in the church Fellowship Hall. Come prepare for spiritual battle. See David Shuping for info. They will meet the last Sat. of each month.

Women of Hope Conference – Murfreesboro, TN- FEB 3-4, 2023. Register: <https://www.hhi.org/womenofhope>

Harding University - church leaders can take one Free Bible Class online each semester. Visit <https://www.harding.edu/academics/colleges-departments/bible-ministry/center/distance-bible> or see Percil or Theresa Watkins

Happy Birthday

1/1 Sharon Duncan 1/1 Tom Killinger 1/5 Shelly Wharton

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>

China is ravaged by a massive Covid outbreak.

Casey Allen needs strength to overcome challenges.

Bill Barnette, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, has very serious heart issues. Jennifer is thankful for all prayers.

Art Burkhalter was taken yesterday by family to Atrium Health - CMC Main, 1000 Blythe Blvd, Charlotte, NC. He had good kidney function today and is having a heart cath. today. The family appreciates everyone's prayers.

Myra Hill is home from the hospital, after having a UTI and dehydration.

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

Aaron & Emily Holmes and Family are in Indiana and will return to Mauritius on Tues., Jan. 2nd. Pray for safe travels.

Koen Killian broke his shoulder while wrestling. Thankfully, the weighted cast is pulling his shoulder back into alignment, so he won't need surgery.

Alice Lail has arterial blockage in her legs.

Jimmie Link had skin cancer removed from her foot.

Johnella Morris (90) and her daughter, Henrietta, need prayers for healing and for caregiving, respectively.

T.J. Snyder, Dave Cain's grandmother, is recovering from a broken femur.

Ronda Thorne, Mary Nichols' daughter, is recovering from cataract surgery. Pray she returns to the Lord.

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

Anita Wilfong has a thyroid nodule which is not cancerous. Thank the Lord. She will have another ultrasound in six months to assess it.

Doug Wood, Ann Stasny's cousin in SC, is still recovering from sepsis, pneumonia and being on the ventilator.

Pray for God to give us wisdom for assisting the homeless near us.

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 Sr. Living – Memory Care.

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