

# Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 15, 2023

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



## Worship Schedule

**Yearly 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: I Surrender Myself** Text **Matthew 16:25**

**LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together** Bible Study – 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 6pm in the 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 Meeting – Wed. at 6:30pm**, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner and join us for informal fellowship, Bible discussion and prayer. Kids' Bible class meets at 7pm.

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

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

**LRU Bears in Scripture Bible Study**, Thurs, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Hickory Room of The Cromer Center.

**January Hospitality Coordinator**

Janet Keever/Debbie Killian

## Church Information

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**Prayer requests and announcements:**

[bulletin@hickorychurch.org](mailto:bulletin@hickorychurch.org)

**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

**Adults and Kids Come Out for 9:30am Sunday Bible Classes.** Eager teachers and amazing Bible lessons await everyone.

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

**AGAPE of NC Foster-Adoption Service Annual Giving.**

Donate your collected change (\$\$) **TODAY** Sunday Jan. 15; write a check to HCOC (with AGAPE on memo line); or give online at: <https://tinyurl.com/AGAPEWorthIt2022>.

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

**Church Hiking trip Sun. 01/22 at 1:30pm** at South Mountain. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks. Please read through the hike info prior to attending.

**Celebration of Life for Sabrina Dale, Mon. Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm** in the church auditorium. The Pot Blessing Meal will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

**Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship Sat. Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am** (and the last Sat. of each month), in the Fellowship Hall. Come prepare for spiritual battle. See David Shuping for info.

**Care Package Donations for the Homeless - HCOC Millennials** are collecting supplies. To donate, **please do so by Sun. 01/29**. Item list can be found in the foyer near the donation basket.

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

**Senior's Lunch – Thursday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> – 12 noon** at Four Peas in a Pod; 426 Conover Blvd. W; Conover, NC.

**Valentine's Day Game Night - Sat. 02/11, 6:30pm - 9:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own dinner, and a treat or drink to share. All are welcome!

**Church Pot Blessing Meal - Sun. Feb. 12** – Bring chili, sides, desserts and drinks and share in this meal and time together.

## Happy Birthday

1/16 John Stasny

## 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.

**Mason Archer (21)** is being treated for Leukemia at Baptist Hospital.

**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.

**Hester Burkhalter** is recovering from Covid. Pray that Art, with his heart challenges, is not affected by it.

**Sally Cannon** has a lot of pain from her shingles vaccination and she had surgery today to replace the dialysis fistula in her arm.

**Sabrina Dale** passed Tues. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for her husband, **Dale**, and family as they grieve.

**Barbara Eddins** is unable to meet with us due to health challenges, but sends her love to the church.

**Myra Hill** is home with challenges related to her diabetes.

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

**Koen Killian** broke his shoulder while wrestling. His weighted cast is pulling his shoulder back into alignment, TYL.

**Alice Lail** has arterial blockage in her legs and will need stents.

**Rossana Lecaros asks:** Please pray for Peru, as there are several political problems there now. The former president is in jail and the new woman president is having problems with several protests in different parts of the country. More than 20 people are already died. Thank God the ILO church there is okay. Please read the latest updates and plans from the Ilo church which Sister Rossana received and shared with us.

<https://tinyurl.com/ILOChurch-NovDec2022Report>

<https://tinyurl.com/ILOChurch-PlanofWork2023>

**Jimmie Link** had skin cancer removed from her foot.

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

**Shelia Rodgers**, the Watkins' long-time friend, will have a lumpectomy Jan. 26, followed by radiation treatments.

**Marti Shirah** started chemo this week.

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

**Pray for our local and distant college students who will be traveling to begin their spring semester.**

**Pray for those who are bereaved, sick or struggling otherwise.**

**Pray that all will be spiritually strong even during physical challenges.**

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

**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.

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

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