# **Hickory Church of Christ**

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, January 22, 2023 Watch Sunday Sermon Live: <u>https://www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/</u> Link to Daily Lectionary: <u>https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu//</u>



## Worship Schedule

2023 Yearly Theme: "I Surrender Myself"

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.

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,** Thursdays at 7pm in the Hickory Room of The Cromer Center. Everyone is invited.

January Hospitality Coordinator Janet Keever/Debbie Killian

## **Church Information**

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#### When giving to HCOC:

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

### **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.

Thanks to all who donated and helped with their time to make PNO a great success.

**Church Hiking trip Today. 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. Kevin Bibbee will officiate.

**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. Donate **by Sun. 01/29**. Item list is 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.

Ruth Cloninger, Anita Wilfong's Mom, turns 90 Feb. 8. please send cards: Ruth Cloninger c/o The Greens at Lincolnton, Room 610, 515 South Generals Blvd. Lincolnton, NC 28092

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, to share in this meal and time together.

**Parents' Night Out** – **"Love"** - Sat. Feb. 18, 5-9pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Register kids (ages 0-16) at https://tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO23. Thanks to our Volunteers.

## Happy Birthday

1/24 Jesse Abercrombie 1/27 Bernie Boags

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: <u>https://www.hhi.org/ukraine</u> **Casey Allen** needs strength to overcome challenges.

Mason Archer (21) is has new tumors related to his Leukemia

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

**Art Burkhalter** is recovering from Covid and Hester is pretty much over the virus. They are thankful for everyone's prayers and help during their illnesses.

**Sabrina Dale** passed Jan. 10. Pray for her husband, Gene, and family, as they grieve. Visitation is at 5pm and the Celebration of Life is at 6pm; both are Mon., Jan. 23 at the church building. Dinner will follow downstairs. Kevin Bibbee will officiate.

Myra Hill is home with challenges related to her diabetes and more.

Lewis Hollar, Megan Rae's grandfather, is in remission, but taking lower doses of chemo for his Leukemia. Koen Killian broke his shoulder while wrestling; thankfully, he is now out of his cast and taking physical therapy. Alice Lail has pain and swelling--difficulties with her legs and feet. She will see doctors Thurs. and will likely have a bypass on her legs.

**Rossana Lecaros asks us to** pray for Peru. The former president is in jail and the new woman president is troubled by protests around the country. More than 20 people have died. Thank God the ILO church there is okay. **Lenoir-Rhyne University** students started their spring semester today. Pray for their faithfulness to the Lord and witnessing for Him.

Jimmie Link had skin cancer removed from her foot.

Sparkle Lipford will have surgery Jan. 31st.

Johnella Morris (90) and her daughter, Henrietta, need prayers for healing and for caregiving, respectively. Mary Nichols has health concerns; she'll see doctors next week.

**Shelia Rodgers,** the Watkins' long-time friend, will have a lumpectomy Jan. 26, followed by radiation treatments. **Marti Shirah** started chemo Thursday. **Steve Shirah** had cataract surgery. Pray for them with these and other challenges.

**Percil Watkins** seeks prayers for the church in St. Martin, for their challenges, and July 2023 mission campaign. **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 God will be glorified by all, even amid the 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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