

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, February 26, 2023

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



Worship Schedule

2023 Yearly Theme: "I Surrender Myself" – Matt. 16:25

Sunday at 9:30 In-Person - Adult and Kids' Bible Classes.

Sunday Worship - 10:30am In-person. Livestream is on Facebook. Kevin's message: "I Surrender Myself..."

Kingdom Parables Text: Luke 13:18

LIFT – Ladies in Fellowship Together Bible Study – 1st 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 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 – 1st & 3rd 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.

Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship - 11am-12:30pm - the last Sat. of each month in the Fellowship Hall. Come prepare for spiritual battle. See David Shuping for info.

February Hospitality Coordinator

Janet Keever/Debbie Killian

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

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.

Tori Sly's Baby Shower – If you missed the shower last Sunday and want to still get a gift for coming baby Sly, please check out these registries:

<https://www.babylist.com/victoria-sly> and Target <http://tgt.gifts/baby-girl-sly>

Remembering Morgan Bibbee – Thanks to all who joined the Bibbee's last night at Sim's BBQ, to celebrate the joy Morgan brought all of us. Morgan passed 2/23/22. Please continue praying for the Bibbee family.

Huntfish Falls Hike – TODAY - Sun. 02/26 at 2:30pm in Linville. Please read through the trail information prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

Building Cleaning of M25 and the Hut: Feb. 27 – Mar. 3rd – 9am – 1pm, each day. Please contact Blake Eckard for details- 828-639-9276. Bring brooms, gloves, cleaning supplies, etc.

Senior's Lunch – Thursday, March 9th – 12 noon at Four Peas in a Pod; 426 Conover Blvd. W; Conover, NC.

22nd Carolina Men's Fellowship, Sat. Mar. 11th – 8am-2pm, Gold Hill Rd. Church of Christ, 1055 Gold Hill Rd, Rock Hill, SC

Gospel Meeting, March 12-15, 7pm nightly – Charlotte Ave. Church of Christ, 339 Charlotte Ave., Rock Hill, SC

Parents' Night Out – "John 3:16 Night" - Sat. Mar. 18, 5-9pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Register kids (ages 0-16) at <https://tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO23>. Thanks to our Volunteers who helped so much with our February PNO last night.

Happy Birthday

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, by and with those listed below:

Pray daily for our shepherds: Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian and Percil Watkins. Please let them 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 long-term challenges.

Mason Archer (21) has tumors related to his Leukemia

Bill Barnette, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, has serious heart issues.

Mary Ellen Bross, Dora McDonald's daughter, lost an elderly friend in Dec. and her sister, Lynn, in Oct.

Scott Fitch will have cataract surgeries Mar. 8 and 22nd.

Robert Foringer, Megan Rae's stepdad, had his toe amputated, due to infection.

Edward "Bud" Grider (71), of Morganton, passed Sat. Feb. 11, 2023. He was the husband of Janice Grider and the brother-in-law of Hester Burkhalter.

Nick Hall has started a nine-month tour with the US Army in Poland.

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.

Barbara Johnson, of the church in Wilmington, NC, is in hospice with extensive cancer. She is the Watkins' friend.

Alice Lail is seeing slight improvement with her leg and feet issues, but will need an artery bypass for her legs. She sees doctors March 3.

Willie Lane, Blake Jefferson's LRU football teammate, has a pectoral muscle tear and will need surgery.

Rossana Lecaros seeks prayers for Peru and the continuing political unrest there.

Sparkle Lipford has six more weeks of recovery, following surgery to remove several abdominal masses.

Mauritius, an island country in the Indian Ocean, is safe after a cyclone bypassed it. Aaron & Emily Holmes and kids are all well.

Logan McDowell left yesterday heading to Colorado Springs, as part of his U.S. Army duties. He and his wife, Samantha (Hall) McDowell, and sons, Elijah and Thomas will follow in March.

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

Mary Nichols has ongoing health concerns and a burden for physical and spiritual needs of family members.

Ron Nichols, Ron Gemperline's friend, is recovering from a stroke.

Shelia Rodgers, Theresa's friend in GA, has no known cancer, after two recent breast cancer surgeries. She will see oncologists and radiologists this week.

Jasmine Schuller, a friend of Pam Roberts', is hospitalized with complications from a Jan. 24th surgery.

Marti Shirah started chemo treatments recently for cancer that has returned.

Lisa Smith had surgery and will have her gall bladder and a gall stone removed soon.

Ann Stasny is getting stronger, after several health issues including gout. Pray for her continued healing.

Andy Stephens, Angela Arnett's extended family member, had triple bypass and another heart procedure.

Linda Troutman, Barbara Eckards' friend, is having problems related to a hematoma on her leg.

David Watkins is seeking employment in computer programming, after graduating from Harding Univ in Dec.

Percil Watkins seeks prayers for St. Martin's Cole Bay church and for July mission trip to St. Martin.

Thank God for the Whisnant family who visited our worship from our January Parents' Night Out. Pray for their travels to Ohio and for their daughter who has digestive problems.

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.

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