

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, March 12, 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: "Real or Not Real" Text: Matthew 13:24-30

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 classes are 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.

March Hospitality Coordinator
Debbie Killian


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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

Welcome to Daylight Savings Time 2023!

Adults and Kids Come Out for 9:30am Sunday Bible Classes. New Adult Class on Genesis meets in the Auditorium. 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.

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 help each month. See Janet Keever or Theresa Watkins to volunteer with this incredible undertaking.

Sunday April 2 Easter Egg Hunt. After service we will have a fellowship meal and then the Easter egg hunt. We are collecting candy. Please help if you can and register at <https://tinyurl.com/HCOEggHunt23>

St. Martin Mission Trip – July 11-25. Be part of the team and/or donate to the effort. All Pray. See Percil or Theresa Watkins for info.

Senior's Lunch – Thursday, April 13th – 12 noon at Sweet Taters, 102 10th St NW, Conover, NC. RSVP with Ann Stasny – 828-310-6404.

"Greatest Archaeological Find of the 20th Century with Dead Sea Scrolls" – April 14-16, with Howard Younger, MA – Theology with Emphasis: Dead Sea Scrolls. Fri. 7-9:30pm and Sat. 10am-12 noon with Lunch Meal. Sun. 9:30am class and 10:30am Message. Invite teens - adults. Childcare provided. Register: www.tinyurl.com/HCOCDadSea

Happy Birthday

3/14 Lisa Smith 3/17 Karen Catlett

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 new tumors related to his Leukemia

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

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

Hester Burkhalter's mother (91) is in UNC Health Blue Ridge Hospital in Morganton and not doing well.

Eloise Burton will had eye surgery and is progressing well.

Emma Doss, Anna Stezer's sister, is in hospital in Lubbock, TX with acute IBS. She faces surgery this week.

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

Robert Foringer, Megan Rae's mom's boyfriend, had his toe amputated, due to infection, and is doing well.

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.

Bryce Jefferson has swollen lymph nodes and sinus troubles.

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

Alice Lail will need leg artery bypass, for pain in her legs and feet. Pray with her as she contemplates treatment.

Andrew Layton has sore ribs and needs prayers to practice good judgment in various situations.

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

Le Ann, a friend of Sherry Smart and her sister Grace, faces surgery March 9 for endometrial cancer. Pray her cancer has not spread.

Ryan Lipford is having night seizures.

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

Penny Lopez, Pam Dennie's mother, will have heart cauterization at Duke on March 14.

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.

Pam Roberts' friend in Michigan lost a special needs daughter (17) due to complications after a spinal fusion surgery.

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

Sherry, Sally Cannon's friend, is looking for new housing, after being assaulted by those she was living with.

Marti Shirah is at Carolina Caring, Room 103, in Connelly Springs for rehab. She has discontinued chemo, given its harshness. She is now more alert. Hospice care may be needed, if she is unable to complete rehab.

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.

Theresa Watkins is grateful for prayers offered for her respiratory challenges last week.

Kelissa Whittaker returned home safely to Honduras. She sends greetings to the church and asks for prayers for a neighboring island having wildfires.

Pray for our college students, as they travel during their spring break.

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.