

Hickory Church of Christ

Imperfect people learning to love perfectly.

Sunday, April 2, 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: "Please Excuse Me" Text Luke 14:15-24**

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.

HCO111 Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's)– Wed. at 6:30pm in the Hut. Join the group in watching "The Chosen."

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.

April Hospitality Coordinator
Janet Keever

Church Information

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2. Mail check to church address listed below
3. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
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Announcements & Reminders

TODAY - All-church Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt (12 yrs & under) at 12 noon. Please stay and enjoy this time with us.

Senior's Lunch – Thurs, April 13th – 12 noon at Sweet Taters, 102 10th St NW, Conover. RSVP: 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. Invite teens - adults. Childcare provided. Register on clipboard in foyer or at www.tinyurl.com/HCO111DeadSea.

Lake James State Park Hike: Sunday 04/16 at 1:45pm in Nebo. Please read through the hike info prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

Lake Norman Church of Christ Youth Rally, April 21-23, for Grades 6-12. Register at <https://lakenormancoc.org/>.

May 5th-6th: CBC Bloom Ladies Retreat: 7pm Fri. – 2pm Sat. Register at carolinabiblecamp.org/events

Family Game Night: Sat. 05/13, 5:30pm-8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own dinner, and treat or drink to share. If you would like to donate prizes, contact Ali or Megan Rae.

RJ Hall is looking for an apartment in the area with a yard (where he can keep his animals). Contact Joe: 828-228-2905

Bring Plastic Grocery Bags and place in basket in the foyer. Five hundred bags make a sleeping mat for the homeless.

Care for College Students: Let's encourage our college kids with cards, as they finish this semester. **Bring cards by 4/9:** Kaylin Bibbee - Lipscomb; Leaci Brice, Noah Franks and Alyssa Lipford - CVCC; Ali Franks - Caldwell Community College; Kimi Hall - Freed-Hardeman; Christian Chinen, Allison Drum, Davis Hall, Blake Jefferson, Bryce Jefferson, Saige Ley, Damion Medwinter, Ethan Smith, and Shane Wells - LRU; Hannah Watkins - Rice University; Sara Watkins - NC State; and Braden Wharton – Montreat

Tornadoes ravaged parts of Mississippi and Georgia. To help with disaster relief, please make a donation to HCO111 earmarked for MS Tornado Relief. Funds will be sent to Amory Church of Christ in Amory, MS

Happy Birthday

4/4 Natalie Cain 4/4 Dick Covalinski 4/4 Mike Wilfong 4/7 Angela Arnett

Happy Anniversary

4/6 Dick & Mary Nell Covalinski, 4/8 Steve & Debbie Killian

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>

Peru flooding- several lives were lost, and educational centers and health care facilities were damaged. Pray for the Ilo church that we support; they moved to a smaller facility, because of economic challenges.

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.

Paul Caldwell had surgery last week and is recovering at home.

Sally Cannon's son is having some challenges.

John Covalinski was in ICU with blood clots in both legs and lungs. He is at home now and in pain.

Lewis Hollar, Megan Rae's grandfather, is in remission, but taking lower doses of chemo for his Leukemia.

Blake Jefferson Congratulations to him & Leaci Brice on their engagement.

Bryce Jefferson encourages us to praise God even amid difficulties.

Alice Lail will not need a leg artery bypass. Praise God. She is feeling much better and thankful for all the prayers.

Le Ann, a friend of Sherry Smart and her sister Grace, had surgery for endometrial cancer. She will get results and her treatment plan soon. Pray for God's grace to abound towards her.

Cynthia Lipford is grieving the passing of two cousins in the last two-three weeks.

Ryan Lipford is having night seizures.

Sparkle Lipford returns to work in May, following surgery to remove several abdominal masses.

Penny Lopez, Pam Dennie's mother, had a heart cauterization. She is to have a heart valve replaced soon.

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

Richard Rheinbolt's co-worker, Ms. Vang, is seeking prayers to overcome infertility.

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

Marti Shirah -Carolina Caring-Connolly Spring, Rm 103, doing well in rehab. She appreciates plant the church sent.

John Stasny has a sinus infection.

St. Martin Mission Trip – July 2023. Mission team seeks prayers, as a potential full-time preacher has been identified for the church there.

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

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, Myra Hill, 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.