# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"I Surrender Myself"

Sunday, April 23, 2023



If you are new to HCOC, please share your contact info with us.

If you would like to commit your life to Christ, receive prayer or learn more about our church family, please let us know.

## – TODAY – Kevin Bibbee's Message "TAKE A BACK SEAT" – Luke 14:1-14

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BAPTISMS may be scheduled at any time. See Kevin Bibbee or an elder to set a time to be clothed with Christ.

#### 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 on Church Website: <a href="http://hickorychurch.org/donate/">http://hickorychurch.org/donate/</a>

#### - THIS WEEK -

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study - Mon. at 7pm on Messenger - "One Another." See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny to join.

Small Group - Wed. at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner. Bible Talk and Prayer. Kids' Bible classes are at 7pm.

HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's) - Wed. at 6:30pm in the Hut. Join the group in watching "The Chosen." Contact Ali Franks.

CBC Bloom Ladies Retreat, May 5th-6<sup>th</sup>, 7pm Fri. - 2pm Sat. Register at carolinabiblecamp.org/events

LIFT - Ladies in Fellowship Together Bible Study - 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Final Session for this Spring is May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Broad Street Church of Christ Gospel Meeting, Sun. May 7: 10am, 11am & 6pm; May 8-10: 7pm. 433 E. Broad St., Statesville, NC.

Place Plastic Grocery Bags in the basket in the church foyer for making sleeping mats for the homeless.

### - COMING UP -

Senoirs' Lunch – Thurs. May 11<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon at Olive Garden. RSVP with Ann Stasny, 828-310-6404.

Game Night, May 13, 5:30pm (Fellowship Hall). Bring your dinner and a treat/drink to share. To donate prizes, see Ali or Megan Rae

Linn Cove Viaduct Hike: Sun., May 21, 2:15 pm in Linville. Please read through trail information. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks

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Dragonslayers' Men's Fellowship – Last Sat. of the Month, 11am-12:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Contact David Shuping.

Join our Church Team for the Hunger Walk, Sat. Oct. 15, benefitting the Corner Table. Contact Kevin Boggs 828-381-9105.

## **Church Information**

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## 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.

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.

**The Ukrainian War.** Pray for all in Ukraine and Russia. Donate to relief for Ukraine: <a href="https://www.hhi.org/ukraine">https://www.hhi.org/ukraine</a> **Casey Allen** needs strength to overcome long-term challenges.

**Roger Arnett,** Angela's husband, is having a heart catheterization and echogram Thurs., to check for blockages. **Tisa Blocker** has worsening health issues.

**Art Burkhalter** is weakened to the point of needing to use a walker.

**Sally Cannon** had a stress test this week. She will have an echocardiogram next month.

**Ruth Cloninger,** Anita Wilfong's mother, has Bell's Palsy.

Billy & Christy Davis will be traveling a lot over the next six months. Pray for their safety.

Elle Decoe looks to do a two-year residency with outreach to Gardner-Webb University Starting Aug. 1.

**Barbara Eckard** will not need surgery for her fractured knee and is getting stronger daily. Thank you Lord! **Lionel Ellis** has high blood pressure and high blood sugar levels.

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

**Blake Jefferson** has follow-up on his hand surgery on May 4<sup>th</sup>; he seeks that we all have hearts for others.

Bryce Jefferson had a good follow-up with cardiologists.

Saige Ley was baptized into Christ at HCOC on Wed., April 26<sup>th</sup>. Pray for his growth in the Lord.

**Sparkle Lipford** has a rare disease causing reoccurring tumors.

**Penny Lopez**, Pam Dennie's mother, will have heart catheterization on May 22<sup>nd</sup> at Duke.

Dot Mayo, Jean Brown's mom, is undergoing chemo for ovarian cancer. Thank You Lord!

**Johnella Morris (90) and her daughter, Henrietta,** need prayers for healing and for care giving, respectively. **Mary Nichols** has health issues that are getting worse.

**Tonia Osaji** seeks prayers for her aunt who has breast cancer; for Katera Frazier's whose grandmother passed away Thurs.; and for Jordan who is recovering from a torn Achilles tendon.

Pops, whom Blake & Bryce Jefferson met, needs prayers for his health, well-being, and relationship with Christ.

**Thomas Pope**, 1 year old, is the grandson of Wayne Pope of Bennett's Funeral Home. He may have no vision or have to wear special glasses. The family is praying to trust in God during this time.

Anna Setzer's mom in TX is struggling with health issues.

**Marti Shirah** passed. Her Celebration of Life was yesterday. Donations in her honor can be made to HCOC. Pray for her husband Steve; their son, CB; and her entire family.

Justin Smith needs prayers for his health.

Ann Stasny rejoices that her red blood cell count is back up.

St. Martin Mission Trip – July 2023. Please make donations to the mission with your offering, by June 25, 2023. David Watkins is seeking employment in computer programming, after graduating from Harding Univ in Dec.

**Shut-Ins:** Barbara Eddins and Mary Nichols. 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.

# **Happy Birthday**

4/30 Landen Killian 5/2 Percil Watkins 5/3 Scott Fitch

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**April Hospitality Coordinator - Janet Keever**