

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

## "Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, March 24, 2024



VISIT OUR INFO. TABLE AFTER THE WORSHIP AND PICK UP A GUEST PACKET

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 -

**Percil Watkins' Message**

**Message: "That the eyes of your heart may be enlightened" Text: Eph. 1:18-19**

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

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**When giving to HCOC:**

1. Drop Offering in Box on Back Wall of Auditorium. Envelopes are available on the Foyer Credenza.
2. Mail check to church address listed below
3. Use on-line banking to set-up the church as a payee
4. Donate on Church Website: <http://hickorychurch.org/donate/>

- THIS WEEK -

**Ladies' Discovery Bible Study** - Mon. at 6:45pm on Messenger, study of Isaiah. See Theresa Watkins or Ann Stasny  
**Small Group** - Wed. at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner. Adults are studying Romans. Kids' Bible classes at 7pm.  
**HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's)** - Wed. at 7pm in the hut, watching "The Chosen." See Ali Franks for details.  
**LRU Bears in Scripture Bible Study** - Thurs., 7pm, Hickory Room - Upstairs in the Lenoir-Rhyne Univ. Cromer Center.  
**HCOC Millennials are making care packages** - The list of items needed is in the foyer and on the bulletin board.  
**Beds Needed for a family:** Two full beds and a queen. Email: [lschiefer@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:lschiefer@catawbacountync.gov) or (828)695-6544  
**David Bierce** needs a temporary foster home for his service dog so he can move to a residential facility.  
**Children's Roller Skating Outing**, Sun. March 24, 2-5pm at Skateland, 2820 US Hwy 70 SE, Newton. Everyone is invited to come join in the fun and fellowship.

**Invite family and friends to be with us for Mar. 31st, Resurrection (Easter) Sunday, Bible Classes & Worship.**

*Thanks to everyone who donated candy or contributed to the lunch and Easter Egg Hunt this past Sunday. We thank God for the great weather for the Egg Hunt and for the many visitors who attended. Thanks to the kids, parents and Children's Bible Class/Kingdom Kids' teachers who helped kids with their skit for the worship. See photos below. Pray for our follow-up with the visitors.*

- COMING UP-

**The Chimneys Hike** - Sun. 04/14 at 2:30pm in the Linville Gorge. Please read through the trail information for safety and preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

**Carolina Bible Camp Ladies' Retreat - "Abide"**, Apr. 19-20, Fri. (7-9pm) - Sat. (8am-4pm), 1988 Jericho Church Rd., Mocksville, NC. Fee is \$45. Register online: [tinyurl.com/CBCLadies24](http://tinyurl.com/CBCLadies24) or call Kim Guilbeau. 336-543-6805.

**Parents' Night Out**. Sat. April 20, 5-9pm in the Fellowship Hall. Stay tuned for registration info.

**Carolina Style Chorus**, Women's Chorus singing a capella barbershop style music. Sat. May 18 at 6pm at Neighbors Network Wade Center, 502 Thornburg Dr. NE, Conover. Purchase \$20 tickets at Neighbors Network Office or at [www.neighborsnetwork.org](http://www.neighborsnetwork.org).

### **Church Information**

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**Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to:** [bulletin@hickorychurch.org](mailto:bulletin@hickorychurch.org)

### The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

**HCOC Daily Prayer: May God's Kingdom Grow Here...**

**Pray regularly for our unsaved loved ones** that they would believe in and follow Christ.

**Pray daily for our shepherds:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian and Percil Watkins.

**Pray for God to be honored and souls drawn to Christ, by and with those listed below:**

**The Ukrainian War.** Pray for all in Ukraine and Russia. Donate to relief for Ukraine: <https://www.hhi.org/ukraine>

**Shelby Abercrombie's** aunt, Robin Bartlett, passed last week. She was part of the Port City Church of Christ family of Mobile, AL. Her husband is Gene.

**Casey Allen** needs fervent prayers to overcome his challenges.

**Georgiana Allen** still has a lot of pain in her legs. She appreciates our prayers for her.

**Mandy Barrow's** father-in-law, Greg Barrow, Sr., is in Frye Hospital after having a heart attack. He will have quadruple bypass surgery.

**Kevin Bibbee** appreciates our prayers for God's favor for his health challenges.

**David Bierce** is needing a hip replacement.

**Leaci Brice**, Blake Jefferson's friend, was in a car accident. Pray for her recovery.

**Randal Burton**, former Executive Director of Carolina Bible Camp, was remembered for his faith Friday in Mocksville. Pray for strength and comfort for his wife, Teresa, and all the family. Please consider sending memorial gifts to his beloved Carolina Bible Camp, P.O. Box 1234, Mocksville, NC 27028.

**Darrell & Laurie Ann Clark's** grandson, Ellis William, was born Mon. in TX, at 8lbs. 4oz and 20 inches. Praise God that everyone is doing great. Pray that hearts will be convicted for the Lord and that Ellis will be a brave servant for His kingdom. See photo below of Laurie Ann with baby Ellis.

**Jacob Crone** seeks to follow Christ and be immersed into Him. Pray for his understanding of discipleship.

**Arielle Crowe (3)**, Mary Nichols' granddaughter, got biopsy results and she does not have cancer on her arm. Continue to pray for the spiritual needs of her family.

**Dana Epps**, Elsa Barne's boyfriend, had outpatient surgery and is doing well so far.

**Scott Fitch** was home Sunday, as he was experiencing some dizziness.

**Bob Foringer, Megan Rae Hollar's stepdad**, is home from the Charlotte hospital after having heart issues. .

**Peggy Fulbright**, Harley Mayfield's "adopted" grandmother, will have more tests in May, since some of her results are unchanged from Nov.

**Barbara Gnann** is retiring today from Quality Cleaners. Pray for God's blessings on her for this new season of her life. The husband of **Barbara Gnann's** friend, Carmen, took his life. May she lean on the Lord.

**Cathy Hall** has long Covid. Pray that her faith will be renewed daily.

**Roy Henson** will need physical therapy for a pinched nerve in his neck.

**Blake Jefferson** wants to walk in God's grace, as we all need to, after turning from sin.

**Bryce and Hunter Jefferson** are coping with Bryce's back pain. Pray for God's blessings on this young couple.

**Andrew Layton** is out of work and looking for a job.

**Mary Nichols** has health challenges.

**Andrea Patterson** is recovering from Covid; may she lean on God through such challenges.

**Tammy Rainwater** was seen at CVMC ER Mon. night, due to excessive lower back pain that prohibited her from walking much. She has a follow-up appointment with her PCP today.

**Timmy Rainwater** is home from the hospital. There is a slight possibility he had a stroke recently.

**Sally Rousseau** has a spot on her lung. Pray for her healing and continued trust in God.

**Annie Salter**, Theresa Watkins' aunt, will have squamous cell removed from her ankle, Mon. Mar. 25th.

**Steve Shirah** had surgery and is mending. He has some family and life challenges he'd love for us to pray about.

**Sherry Smart** and her sister/housemate, Grace McGiboney, are recovering from Covid.

**Pam Stephens**, Angela Arnett's grandkids' dad's mom, will have surgery for pancreatic cancer tomorrow in Charlotte.

**Sandra Walker**, Billy Davis' sister, is undergoing chemotherapy.

**Pray for the sisters who will be traveling to the Women of Hope Conference this weekend in Murfreesboro, TN.**

**Shut-Ins:** Barbara Eddins, Mary Nichols, and Margaret Burns. Ella Jane Mays is at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care.

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

### Happy Birthday

3/25 Scott Powell, 3/26 Christy Davis

### Happy Anniversary

Tom & Janet Keever

March Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Killian