

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

## "Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, March 3, 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 -

##### Kevin Bibbees' Message

**Series: "How to Behave in Church" – Message: "Freed to Serve Like Jesus" Text: Galatians 5:13-15**

**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 -

**Kingdom Café** - Sun., Mar. 3 and each 1st Sunday, 8:45-9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for free sweets and coffee.

**Pray for Lost Loved Ones** - Sun., Mar. 3, 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Come pray together for loved ones to be saved.

**LIFT - Ladies' Bible Study and Fellowship**. Sun., Mar. 3 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring dinner. Dessert is provided.

**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** – No study this Thurs, due to spring break.

**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

**Millennials Bowling Outing** - Fri., Mar. 8, 6:30pm – 8:30pm at Pin Station in Newton. Come join the fun & fellowship.

**Daylight Savings Begins Sun. March 10.** Set clocks ahead 1 hour on Saturday night.

**Church Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt (12 yrs & under)**, Sun. Mar. 17 at noon. The Egg Hunt takes place rain or shine. Sign-up:

[tinyurl.com/HCOCEggHunt24](http://tinyurl.com/HCOCEggHunt24). Bring candy and place in the basket in the foyer. Kids should bring baskets for eggs. Email [hickorycofc@gmail.com](mailto:hickorycofc@gmail.com) or see Bulletin Board to sign-up for the lunch. Donate chips, drinks, salad & dessert for lunch.

#### - COMING UP-

**Seniors' Lunch**, Thurs., March 14, at noon at Rancho Viejo Contact Ann Stasny (828-310- 6404) to sign-up.

**Women of Hope Conference**, March 22-24, Murfreesboro, TN - "Hope in Motion." Register at [www.hhi.org/women/woh-weekend/](http://www.hhi.org/women/woh-weekend/) or see Debbie Killian for info.

**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.

**St. Martin Mission Trip – Tentatively Planned for May 6-20, 2024** – Please see Percil or Theresa Watkins if you'd like to go.

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### Church Information

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**Website:** [hickorychurch.org](http://hickorychurch.org) | **Sun. Worship Live:** [www.facebook.com/HCO111/live/](http://www.facebook.com/HCO111/live/) | **Wi-Fi:** gentlesquash101

**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>

**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.

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

**Kevin and Nancy Boggs** seek prayers for **Jim Fox** (64) for March 4 colon cancer surgery. **Jeff Rikard** (Nancy's nephew) is grieving the death of his girlfriend's (**Kendra Blevins**) daughter, **Beth Blevins**. A **two-year old** was hit by a car last Sat. night on Buffalo Shoals Rd. and died after being airlifted to Charlotte. Pray for the family and the Rescue Personnel.

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

**Randal Burton**, former Executive Director of Carolina Bible Camp, passed away peacefully at home Sunday morning. His wife, Teresa, and all the family covet our prayers. <https://www.lambertfuneralhomenc.com/obituaries/Jacky-Randal-Burton?obId=30877108>

**Dee Chew**, Percil's sister, needs prayers for healing after her foot surgery. She will head back to Seattle March 4.

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

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

**Scott Fitch** is doing well spiritually, while mending physically. Praise God he was able to be with us last Sunday.

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

**Peggy Fulbright**, Harley Mayfield's "adopted" grandmother, had heart tests and is waiting for results.

**Sherry Gaston**, Shelly Cain's mom, had her pacemaker replaced in West Virginia and is home and doing well.

**Barbara Gnann** retired Tues. from Quality Cleaners. Pray for God's blessings on her for this new season of her life.

**Kenny**, the Wharton's friend, is recovering well at an Atlanta Hospital. Praise GOD.

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

**Andrew Layton** is having struggles in work life.

**Mary Manning**, Ron Gemperline's sister, is out of work. Pray for her spiritual growth and relationship with others.

**Poss Morgan**, a friend of Jonathan Eckard's worker, Patty, died. He is survived by his wife, Gail; they knew the Lord.

**Mary Nichols** has health challenges. Pray for her daughter, Angel, to return to Christ. Her great grandson's health is better. Her daughter-in-law, Teresa Smith, had total hip replacement Thurs. Her son-in-law, Kevin, has non-alcoholic cirrhosis of the liver and will need surgery for a serious hernia. Her granddaughter, Arielle, has a knot on her arm that will be biopsied at Wake Forest.

**Tammy Rainwater** was seen at CVMC ER Mon., due to excessive lower back pain that prohibited her from walking much.

**Leon and Sally Rousseau** are coping with back issues and a sinus infection, respectively.

**Annie Salter**, Theresa Watkins' aunt, is dealing with several difficulties. Pray for her physical and spiritual strength.

**Steve Shirah** had abdominal surgery Feb. 16. He had his surgery follow-up Wed. Pray for his physical and family health.

**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.**

**March Hospitality Coordinator – Debbie Killian**