Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, April 14, 2024



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

Message: "Sharpen Each Other" Text: Hebrews 10:24

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:

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 **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.

David Bierce needs a temporary foster home for his service dog so he can move to a residential facility.

Elder Team Meetings will take place in April and May. Look for info. from your elder to learn details for these gatherings.

Dragonslayers Men's Fellowship - Sat., Apr. 13 at 8am Fellowship Hall. Come for a Wonderful Study of "Kingdom Men Rising." **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.

LIME - Ladies' weekday Bible study - Wed., Apr. 17 at 11am in the Fellowship Hall. They meet the 1st and 3rd Wed.

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 or call Kim Guilbeau. 336-543-6805.

Parents' Night Out. Sat. April 20, 5-9pm in the Fellowship Hall. Register kids (0-16 years) at tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO24.

Encouraging Our College Students: Please bring cards/notes of encouragement, gift cards, etc., for our college students: Kaylin Bibbee - Lipscomb Univ., Noah Franks- CVCC, Kimi Hall – Freed-Hardeman Univ., Hannah Watkins – Rice Univ., Sara Watkins – NC State Univ., Braden Wharton- Montreat College. Please bring cards by Sun., Apr. 21.

Family Life Ministry Meeting, Tues., Apr. 23, 7pm on Zoom. Contact David Shuping with questions at 980-525-7384.

- COMING UP-

Gospel Meeting at Rock Hill Church of Christ, 4995 Needmore Road, Cleveland, NC, Sun. -Wed., Apr. 28- May 1, at 11AM Sun., Lunch & 2:30pm and Mon. - Wed. at 7pm.

Price Lake Outing: Sat. 05/04, 10:30am at Price Lake in Blowing Rock. **Cost:** \$20-30. Those who do not wish to kayak/canoe can join for fellowship or a hike around the lake. Bring a packed lunch, and RSVP with Ali Franks.

Elk Knob State Park Hike (3.9 miles): Sat. 05/04 at 2:00pm in Todd. Please read through the trail information for safety and preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

Family Game Night: Sat. 05/11, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish/drink to share, and your favorite games! RSVP on Facebook or with Megan Rae & Ali.

Church Information

Preaching Minister: Kevin Bibbee Church office: 828.464.4983

Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor: David Shuping – 980.525.7384

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Website: www.hickorychurch.org | Sun. Worship Live: www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/

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.

Tanner and Tara Anthony have been trying to conceive for about two years. Please pray for God to help them with having the children they desire for His glory.

Angela Arnett's grandson, Hunter Stephens, had surgery this past Wed. for a torn ACL.

Kaylin Bibbee's classmate, Amaiya, was in a car accident Friday. She has face injuries that may require several months of healing.

David Bierce is in recovery after hip replacement at Valley Nursing & Rehab, Rm 607, in Taylorsville, NC.

Curt, the Watkins' neighbor, is still at Baptist Hospital with complications related to a collapsed lung.

Muggy Davenport, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, is no longer responding to treatment for his lifetime battle with Sickle Cell Anemia.

Billy Davis' sister is in the midst of a cancer battle. His brother-in-law has a hole in his heart and will have tests this week. **Barbara Eddins** sends her love to the church and misses all of us. Pray for her, as she is unable to be with us for health reasons.

James Elizee of Cole Bay Church of Christ in St. Martin is recovering from a slight heart attack.

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

The husband of Barbara Gnann's friend, Carmen, took his life. May she lean on the Lord.

Bob Foringer's Visitation is Tues., April 2, 2-4pm, at Bennett's Funeral Home and the Celebration of Life is at 4pm at Bennett's Funeral Home. Continue to pray for his loved ones, Alicia and Megan Rae Hollar, and the rest of the family.

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

Alicia and Megan Rae Hollar are still grieving Bob Foringer's recent passing.

Sharon Kime's uncle, Mike Kridle, has been referred to hospice.

Andrew Layton has started a new job. Praise God.

Ellis Lowman came home after surgery at Wake Forest, since he was doing well.

Dustin and Harley Mayfield are grieving after their friend, Dalton Flynn (23), was killed in Mt. View this week.

Zahn McCaslin, Patsy Yoder's brother, was diagnosed with lung cancer. He will have more tests to help determine the best plan of treatment. Thanks for all prayers.

Mary Nichols has health challenges.

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

Leon & Sally Rouseau needs relief for his back pain and Sally had test run on her kidneys this week.

Annie Salter, Theresa Watkins' aunt, had squamous cell removed from her ankle. Pray for her healing.

Teresa Shuping is under care for polymyalgia rheumatica and can return to work.

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

Ann Stasny's colonoscopy went well .Only four small polyps were found and her inflammation has lessened.

Pam Stephens, Angela Arnett's grandchildren's paternal grandmother, passed after having pancreatic cancer.

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

Theresa Watkins is delighting in the lessons God is showing and helping her put into action regarding loving others.

Pray for the unsaved individuals around us and for efforts to unleash the Gospel to them.

Draice Cod for the great attendance last Thursday at our weekly Pible study at Loneir Physic University Keen praying