

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“Following Jesus Together”

Sunday, April 7, 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

Message: Living “allelon” Text: John 13:35

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.

Family Life Ministry Meeting, Sun., Apr. 7, 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch and share in efforts to bless our congregation. Contact David Shuping with questions at 980-525-7384.

LIFT - Ladies' Bible Study and Fellowship. Today at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your dinner. Dessert will be provided.

Covered Dish Meal, Wed., Apr. 10 at 6pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Bring food and drink to share. The adult prayer time and study of Romans and kids' Bible class all start at 7pm.

Seniors' Lunch - Thurs. Apr. 11th, 12 noon at Sunny Side Restaurant, 2950 NC-127, -Mt. View. RSVP with Ann Stasny, 828-310-6404.

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.

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.

- COMING UP-

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.

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.

Church Information

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

Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to: bulletin@hickorychurch.org | **Wi-Fi:** Netgear69 or Hickory_Education: gentlesquash101

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. 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.

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, and granddaughter, Courtney lost their paternal grandmother, Pam Stephens, last week. Prayers are appreciated for the entire family.

Kevin Bibbee is rejoicing that he did not need another procedure this past Thursday for his health challenges. He should not need any in the future. He is grateful for all prayers offered on his behalf.

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.

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 and the entire family of Bob Foringer covet our prayers given his passing last Tues.

Andrew Layton has started a new job. Praise God.

Tony Lipford's brother-in-law, Muggy Davenport, was hospitalized over three weeks due to Sickle Cell Anemia. Doctors do not feel they can do more for him.

Ellis Lowman will have some repair surgery this Friday at Atrium Health/Baptist Hospital.

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 Rousseau have respiratory problems. Pray for her healing and continued trust in God.

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. David appreciates our prayers and concern for his wife, with this new challenge.

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

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

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

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

Praise God for the great attendance last Thursday at our weekly Bible study at Lenoir-Rhyne University. Keep praying for the students' hearts to be open to following Jesus.

Praise God for bringing our sisters home safely, after the uplifting Women of Hope Conference in TN this weekend.

Please pray for all affected by the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge in Baltimore, MD.

Happy Birthday

4/7 Angela Arnett, 4/10 Rajeesh Patterson,

Anniversary

4/8 Steve & Debbie Killian, 4/11 Andy & Shelly Wharton

April Hospitality Coordinator – Janet Keever