Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, July 28, 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.

Kevin's Message:

Discovery Bookmark "Jesus is Tested" -- Text: Matthew 4:1-11
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-

Canned Food Drive to Benefit The Corner Table - Please keep bringing (small – 100+ ounce) canned goods each Sunday. Items and donations will be collected through the end of August. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105) with questions.

Carolina Bible Camp (Mocksville, NC) – Final 2024 Week: Today–Aug 3 for 9-19 years old. Pray for all campers and volunteers.

Darrell Clark's Bible Study on Facebook, "Search for the Truth in Isaiah" Tues. & Thurs. at 7pm. See Darrell to join the group. Small Group Prayer and Fellowship - Wed. at 6:30pm - Fellowship Hall. Bring your dinner. At 7pm, we will have our Kids' Bible Class and the Adults are discussing how to build relationships and initiate and study the Bible with others. Please come out.

HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's) – Wed. at 7pm in the hut, watching "The Storm." The Millennials will alternate weeks between watching "The Storm" series and doing other activities. See Ali Franks for details.

"Back to School" Family Game Night: Sat., Aug. 3, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share, & your favorite games. RSVP with Megan Rae or Ali Franks.

Pray for Lost Loved Ones - Sun., Aug. 4, 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. **Kingdom Café** with coffee and donuts is also at 9:15am. **Sliding Rock (Natural Waterslide): Cost:** \$5 per person. Sun., Aug. 4, at 3:30pm in Brevard. Read event info on Facebook.

- COMING UP-

Area-Wide Congregational Singing, Fri. Aug. 9th at 7pm. Broad Street Church of Christ, 433 E. Broad St., Statesville, NC. Virginia Creeper Trail Bike Ride (17 miles, downhill): Sat., Aug. 10, at 9:45am in Damascus, VA. Attendees are to RSVP in advance. Please contact Ali Franks for reservation details. Cost Per Ticket: \$40 + tax, paid in person.

Parents' Night Out, Sat. Aug. 17, 5pm – 9pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is for kids 0-16 Years old. Registration opens Aug. Piedmont Youth Day (For 6th-12th Grade), Sat. Aug. 24, 9:30am-6pm. Abilene Church of Christ, 120 Bell Farm Rd., Statesville. Register: piedmontyouthday.rsvpify.com or call Joshua at 704-881-3083.

Annual Back to School Prayer, Worship and Cookout - Sun., Aug. 25th. Bible Classes, Prayer, and Worship. We will have a Hot Dog Cookout at ~11:45am. Invite School/College Students, Staff and families. Bring Salads, Side Dishes, Drinks, and Desserts.

Hickory River Walk & Picnic: Sun. Sept. 15 at 3:30pm in the Rotary-Geitner Park. The Riverwalk is 2.3 miles. Please bring plenty of water. Bring a packed meal, a treat to share, & lawn chairs for the picnic. RSVP with Ali Franks.

Catawba County Hunger Walk, Sun., Oct. 13, downtown Newton. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105), to participate in the Walk

Church Information

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The Hickory Church of Christ is Praying

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:

Foreign Wars. Pray for all in the Ukraine - Russia War. And for those involved with the Israel-Hamas War.

Pray for all summer travelers to be safe.

Casey Allen needs strength to overcome his challenges. God is working to restore Casey.

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

Angela Arnett seeks prayers for her sister-in-law, Jean Hicks, who had a stroke and is at Baptist Hospital and for Andy Stephens who had a lymph node removed due to jaw cancer.

Margaret Burns has immense back and leg pain.

Curt, the Watkins' neighbor, will have tests this week, to see if his cancer has returned.

Muggy Davenport, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, is back home, struggling with sickle cell anemia.

Billy Davis saw doctors. He hopes medication changes will be made in August to help him feel better.

Billy Davis' sister is in a cancer battle. She had surgery recently and is doing well.

Randy Dennie saw a specialist Friday, due to his ongoing health issues.

Barbara Eckard seeks prayers for their daughter, Abigail, who had a health procedure completed recently.

Blake Eckard was evaluated last week, after having chest pains. The stress test and other evaluations showed no damage to his heart. Praise God.

Scott Fitch was at home Sunday, due to health challenges.

Bobbi Hadden went to the Lincolnton ER for health challenges.

Cathy Hall is challenged by UTI's, after her recent eye surgery.

Sydney and Kim Jones are in Trinidad, because Sydney's maternal grandfather passed. They will attempt to get additional documents while there, if need be, to help with getting cleared by the St. Martin Immigration officials.

Andrea Keast, an LRU student, is at a facility now for intensive therapy for brain and spine injuries sustained from an accident. Write: Shepherd Center; ATTN: Andrea Arteaga; Room #240; 2020 Peachtree Rd. NW; Atlanta, GA 30309. **Sparkle Lipford** will have abdominal surgery on July 30th.

Zahn McCaslin, Patsy Yoder's brother, had five non-invasive treatments for lung cancer and is doing well. He will have a scan soon, to assess his body's response to the treatments.

Isaac N. is now clear of infection. Praise God. He will start Physical Therapy soon and have a re-check in a month.

Timmy Rainwater is having a very difficult time with grief, following the passing of his sister, Sally Rousseau.

Pam Roberts was in a car accident that caused neck issues and fractured vertebrae.

Annie Salter, Theresa Watkins' aunt, had squamous cell removed. Pray for her healing and help with daily struggles.

Anna Setzer's Mom, Mina, fell at home in Texas, hitting her head. Thankfully, CT scans and other tests came back normal. **David Watkins** is seeking a permanent job in computer programming.

St Martin: Praise God that Sydney and Kim Jones are now in St. Martin. Pray for funds to be raised to help with purchasing a needed vehicle for them. To help with this effort, include a donation with your offerings with "St Martin" in the memo.

Shut-Ins: Margaret Burns, Barbara Eddins, Mary Nichols, and Kay Smith. Ella Jane Mays is at Terra Bella Sr. Living – Memory Care. Ruth Cloninger is at The Greens at Lincolnton.

Happy Anniversay
8/1 Kevin and Kamy Bibbee
Happy Birthday
7/28 Deborah Miles, 8/4 Teresa Shuping
August Hospitality Coordinator – Elsa Barnes