Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

"Following Jesus Together"

Sunday, August 18, 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 Bibbee's Message:

Series: 40 Days of Prayer Message: "Avoid the Tragedy of Unbelief" Text: Matthew 13:53-58 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-

Darrell Clark's Bible Study on Facebook, "Search for the Truth in Isaiah" Tues. & Thurs. at 7pm. See Darrell to join the group. 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.

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.

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 Dessert. Please donate \$10 or more, to help with gifts for our students. See Janet Keever or Theresa Watkins, to help with the gifts.

CarePortal Training – Sun., Aug. 25th at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Let Joe Hall (828-228-2905) know if you would like to be part of an amazing team to help children in crisis.

- COMING UP-

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.

Pray for Lost Loved Ones - Sun., Sept.1, 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. **Kingdom Café** with coffee and donuts is also at 9:15am. **First LIFT meeting:** Sunday September 8th, 6pm, downstairs in the fellowship hall. The church will purchase the workbooks. Contact Kamy Bibbee & Janet Keever for details.

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.

Reed Goldmine Tour & Hike: Sat. 09/21 at 9:30am in Midland, NC. The walking tour is 30-40 mins. Please bring a packed lunch. We will explore 3 miles of trails after lunch. Please bring a backpack with plenty of water, snacks & supplies. Please read through the trail info for safety and preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks. Cost:\$1.00-\$2.00 per tour ticket. 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 our nation and the world.

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's sister-in-law, Jean Hicks passed away Tuesday morning. Please remember this family in prayer.

Kevin Bibbee will see doctors Aug. 21, to determine if he can get a cochlear implant to address his hearing problems.

Margaret Burns has immense back and leg pain.

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

Billy Davis' sister is cancer free. Praise the Lord!!!!

Roy Henson had blood work done, to help doctors determine the best course for treating his MS.

Myra Hill is having trouble with numbness and weakness in her legs and feet. She asks that we keep her in our prayers.

Sydney and Kim Jones are in Trinidad, due to Sydney's grandfather passing. They are attempting to get additional documents while there, to help with getting cleared by the St. Martin Immigration officials.

Verna Jordan, Hester Burkhalter's mom, is in Grace Hospital in Morganton. She has the flu and pneumonia and is recovering from Covid.

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.

Harley Mayfield will need surgery for both of her knees. She hopes to learn timing for the surgeries Aug. 27th.

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.

Mary Nichols seek prayers for her son-in-law, Kevin Thorne. He had hernia surgery and daughter Ronda, Kevin's wife, has been referred to a heart specialist for further evaluation. Please pray for Mary's love ones.

Anna Setzer will retire August 22nd. Pray for God's blessings on her, as she wants to be able to care for her mother in TX more. **Sara Watkins** is returning to NC State for her last semester. Pray for her continued focus on God and success in school.

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 Anniversary 8/18 Joe & Cathy Hall, 8/21 Larry & Sharon Duncan, Caleb Creson & Jessica Rivera

> Happy Birthday 8/23 Anna Setzer, 8/24 Georgia Killian 8/25 Randy Dennie August Hospitality Coordinator – Elsa Barnes