

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“Following Jesus Together”

Sunday, September 15, 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.

Kevin Bibbee's Message:

Series: 40 Days of Prayer Message: “Love Your Leaders, Don’t Idolize Them” - Text: 1 Corinthians 3:3-4
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 -

... We are on Day 29 of our 40 Days of Prayer – Our church spiritual revitalization is underway ...

Please welcome to the church family, Josiah and Boni Tilton of Newton. Josiah's number, 501-207-1852, and Boni's, 501-207-1606. They moved here from Searcy, AR and have spent many years doing mission work in Ghana.

Please join us each Sunday at 9:30am for a transformative adult class on the Holy Spirit and for amazing children’s Bible classes.

Middle & High School Students, please write sermon notes on a sheet from the foyer. Share these with today’s speaker.

Randy & Barbara Pannell are grateful for prayers, and love shown them after Randy’s brother, Mike Pannell, passed.

Ladies' Discovery Bible Study on Facebook Messenger, Mondays at 6:45pm. We are studying the book of Isaiah.

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. See Ali Franks for details for their meetings.

LRU Bears in Scripture Campus Bible Study, Thurs. at 7pm in the Fireside Room of the Cromer Center.

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., Sept. 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.

- COMING UP -

LIME (Ladies Interceding, Mentoring, & Encouraging) - Wed., Sept. 25th, 11am-1pm, in the **church Hut**. We are studying Hebrews Chapter 4. We meet 2nd & 4th Wed. Bring food to eat, for our lunch time mtg. Contact Barbara Eckard: 828-409-5994.

Catawba County Hunger Walk, Sun., Oct. 13, downtown Newton. Contact Kevin Boggs (828-381-9105), to participate in the Walk. A minimum donation of \$25 is necessary, to get a t-shirt for the Walk.

Catawba Falls Loop Trail Hike: Sat. 10/26 at 8:30am in Old Fort. The trail is 3.5 miles and features 580 man-made steps. Please read through the trail info online for safety & preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or w/ Ali Franks.

Trunk-or-Treat: Sun.10/27 at 5:30pm. Please begin leaving candy donations in the foyer! Contact Ali or Megan Rae to volunteer.

Carolina Renaissance Festival: Sat., Nov. 2, at 8:30am in Huntersville. **Cost:** ~\$42.00 per person w/insurance. Tickets are date specific, non-refundable w/out insurance, and need to be purchased in advance online. CRF food vendors are cash only. RSVP on

Church Information

Preaching Minister: Kevin Bibbee **Church office:** 828.464.4983

Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor: David Shuping – 980.525.7384

Address: 1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28602

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

Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to: bulletin@hickorychurch.org | **Wi-Fi:** Hickory Church of Christ WiFi: gentlesquash101

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.

Ashley is recovering from having a pacemaker installed. She is the mother of Timmy Rainwater's nephew, John Boy.

Kevin Bibbee will see an audiologist in Oct., to see if he can get a cochlear implant. Pray that he will get an earlier appointment.

David Bierce is Autumn Care in Statesville, for rehab, after having his left hip replaced recently.

Hester Burkhalter had her right knee replaced this past Tuesday. Pray for her recovery and therapy to proceed with no complications. She is at home now recovering.

Margaret Burns has immense back and leg pain.

Debbie Butler, of Three Chopt Church of Christ in Richmond, VA, a dear friend of Janet Keever's, went to sleep in the Lord Monday night. Besides her dear friend, Janet, Debbie leaves behind four brothers who cherished her dearly.

Gene Dale was in a car accident. He hurt his left rotator cuff, and his van was damaged somewhat.

Muggy Davenport, Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, is in the ICU of Baptist Hospital. He has complications related to his sickle cell anemia and other challenges.

Debbie Dill is struggling with back pain and is facing surgery.

Dixie, Ann Stasny's dear friend from Northview Church of Christ, is in Wilkes Hospital. He has pneumonia.

Barbara Eckard's brother, Dick Sidbury, needs salvation. He is taking prednisone to reduce the risk of having a stroke.

Students, School Staff, and Families associated with the recent Georgia high school shooting need our prayers.

Barbara Gnann is now wearing a boot to help with the healing process for her broken ankle.

Myra Hill's sister-in law is critically ill with cancer. She has also had MS for a number of years. Pray for Myra's brother, as he copes with his wife's challenges. Myra fell recently, hurting her right leg, elbow, hip and both ankles.

Richard Johnson is having a difficult time with back pain and is facing surgery.

Verna Jordan, Hester Burkhalter's mom was experiencing a lot of pain Monday, while at Grace Hospital in Morganton. She is to begin receiving hospice care.

Harley Mayfield will have surgery on one of her kneecaps on Sept. 27. After that, she will have surgery on the other. She looks to be out of work for about two months after each surgery.

Zahn McCaslin, Patsy Yoder's brother, Request that we keep her brother in your prayers. The first treatment for his lung cancer did not work. He had a port placed last Friday and started a series of chemotherapy this past Thursday.

John Powell, the Boggs' neighbor, passed away on Sept. 7.

Darleen Vauter has stage 3 breast cancer. She will have surgery Sept. 25. Keep praying for her grandson, Andrew, desperately needs a school that is suitable for his needs. Her son, Abraham, is also struggling.

Anita Wilfong's mom, Ruth Cloninger, has a hematoma on her arm that has ruptured. She's being treated at the hospital.

St Martin: Pray for funds to be raised to help with purchasing a needed vehicle for the new Minister, Bro. Sydney Jones. 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

9/16 Jared & Danielle Barnett, David & Jean Jernigan, 9/20 John & Annie Stasny

Happy Birthday

9/15 Margaret Burns, 9/16 Theresa Watkins, 9/18 Cyrus Mayfield & Jerry Yoder,

9/20 Airah Burkhalter & Annie Lowman

September Hospitality Coordinator Debbie Killian