

# Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

**“Following Jesus Together”**

Sunday, September 22, 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: “Look for The God Among You” - Text: 1 Corinthians 14:24-25**  
**BAPTISMS may be scheduled at any time. See Kevin Bibbee or an elder to set a time to be clothed with Christ.**

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### **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 36 of our 40 Days of Prayer – God is renewing us daily ...**

**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 the Sunday speaker.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**Plastic store bags for Conover School**. Please bring and deposit these in the basket in the foyer to help this school near us.

**Free Special Needs Carnival**, Sat., Sept. 28, 11am-2pm, Northview Church of Christ, 2615 Amity Hill Rd, Statesville.

## **- COMING UP -**

**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., Oct. 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., Oct. 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 Facebook or with Ali Frank.

## **Church Information**

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

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**Website:** [www.hickorychurch.org](http://www.hickorychurch.org) | **Sun. Worship Live:** [www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/](http://www.facebook.com/HCOC111/live/)

**Email Prayer Requests & Announcements to:** [bulletin@hickorychurch.org](mailto: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.

**Ariel,** Mary Nichols' 4-year-old granddaughter, was seen at Baptist Hospital. No problems were found with her knee. Praise God.

**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** Please continue to pray for Hester and her family with the passing of her mother, Verna Jordan. A graveside funeral service for Verna was this past Saturday, September 21, 2024, at 12:00 noon (EDT) at Hughes Family Cemetery in Bledsoe County with her brother Minister Junior Hughes officiating.

<https://www.vanderwallfh.com/obituaries/Verna-Jordan#!/Obituary>

**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, passed recently. Besides her dear friend, Janet, Debbie leaves behind four brothers who cherished her dearly. Her life was celebrated, Sat., Sept. 14.

**Muggy Davenport,** Tony and Cynthia Lipford's brother-in-law, is in Baptist Hospital ICU, recovering from surgery.

**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.

**Barbara Gnann** is now wearing a boot to help with the healing process for her broken ankle. It was great to see her back with us last Sunday morning with her boot and fancy knee scooter!

**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 is struggling with her diabetes and her son, Todd, has Covid.

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

**Harley Mayfield** will have kneecap surgery Sept. 27. She looks to be out of work for about two months after the surgery.

**Zahn McCaslin,** Patsy Yoder's brother, had a port placed and started a series of chemotherapy for lung cancer.

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

**Kay Smith** We praise God for protecting her last weekend! She fell in the driveway and sustained a concussion and a skinned elbow. Please pray her soreness/bruises to heal quickly. We are so thankful there were no more serious injuries!

**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, is some better. She's being treated at Cardinal Care in Lincolnton. Room 311 Her arm has a terrible wound. They removed the eschar Wednesday. It is going to take a long time to heal and pray for no infections. Please continue to pray for her healing.

**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**

**9/24 David & Teresa Shuping**

**Happy Birthday**

**9/23 Darrell Clark, 9/24 David Shuping & Ryan Lipford**

**September Hospitality Coordinator Debbie Killian**