

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“Following Jesus Together”

Sunday, November 17, 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:

“Produce Fruit” – Text: Matthew 3:8

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 -

Churches of Christ Disaster Relief <https://www.disasterrelieffort.org/donate> or call 888-541-2848. Info on HCOC Facebook Page
Coats and Blue, Black, or Gray sweatpants are needed for boys and girls at Webb Murray Elementary. We adopted this school and look to assist them as needed. Place new/slightly used items in plastic bin in church lobby. Contact Theresa Watkins (910-512-4754).
Middle & High School Students, please write sermon notes on a sheet from the foyer. Share these with the Sunday speaker.
Plastic store bags for Conover School. Please bring and deposit these in the basket in the foyer to help this nearby school.
Buncombe County DSS Youth Christmas Gifts - Please bring all gifts to the church building. The gifts we have collected so far we will move them over to the M-25 building after worship. We will be collecting through Nov. 27
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, Nov. 20, 11am-1pm, in the **Church Hut.** Bring your lunch, if you like.
HCOC Millennials (mid 20's to late 30's) – Millennials' Fellowship: Monthly gatherings at various times
Small Group Prayer and Fellowship – Wed. at 6:30pm – Fellowship Hall. Bring your dinner. 7pm, Kids' and Adult Bible Classes
LRU Bears in Scripture Campus Bible Study, Thurs. at 7pm in the Fireside Room at the Cromer Center.
Hurricane Helene Volunteering: Sat. Nov. 23 at 12pm in Asheville. Please register online with Samaritan's Purse: www.spvolunteer.org/project-response/745. Volunteering is date-specific, and spots are limited. Please register as soon as possible. RSVP with Ali Franks.

- COMING UP -

Budget Inputs – Ministry Leaders and others, please turn in 2025 budget requests to Larry Duncan by December 1st.
Seniors' Lunch - Fri., Dec. 13, 12 noon, at Western Steer, 334 Southwest Blvd, Newton, NC. RSVP with Ann Stasny, 828-310-6404.
Children's and Parents' Christmas Pancake Breakfast and Party - Sat. Dec. 14, 10am. This is for kids (ages 0 - 16 years) and parents. Kids will prepare fruit bags for seniors. Registration opens soon.
Parents and Children Pizza Lunch with elders - Sun. Dec. 15, 12 noon, in the Fellowship Hall. RSVP: tinyurl.com/HCOCPizzaLunch
Cole Bay Church of Christ in Saint Martin Tent Campaign - Gospel Meeting and Health Screening Event, April 2-9, 2025. Housing is available with church members. Medical professionals and others are invited to attend, to help with the campaign. Let Percil or Theresa Watkins (828-292-0255) know if you would like to be part of this Mission Campaign Team. Pray for God's blessings on this.

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.

Keep praying for all of Western North Carolina and Florida from Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton

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.

Jared Barnett's Uncle Danny Barnett passed Thurs. night. The memorial service will be held Nov. 23 at 11am at Brummett's Creek

Church of the Brethren in Green Mountain. www.beamfuneralservice.com/obituaries/danny-barnett

Kevin Bibbee - Praise God - is a candidate for the cochlear implant. February 2025 may be the earliest time to get the first surgery.

Hester Burkhalter and family are recovering from illnesses.

Margaret Burns has immense back and leg pain.

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

Billy & Christy Davis covet our prayers, as they are relocating to Nashville, TN, to assist their daughter and family with their five young kids. We praise God for their faithful service to the congregation here over the years.

Debbie Dill is struggling a great deal with back pain and is facing surgery.

Pam Dennie's mom, Penny Lopez, has covid. Randy Dennie, Pam's husband, has covid symptoms.

Scott Fitch's brother Paul Fitch. Paul's life was celebrated last Friday. Keep Scott and his family in your prayers.

Jonathan Flowers of the LRU Bible Study seeks prayers for his uncle, **Nick Ferguson**, who was injured in an eleven-car accident.

Jessica Fuchs, an LRU student, is learning to walk and use her left side again, after having issues related to her medication.

Barbara Gnann leaves for Mauritius Nov. 20. Pray for safe travels, as a cyclone is expected there Friday when she is to land.

Cathy Hall was admitted to Atrium Health Davie Hospital yesterday, to get IV antibiotics for a new strain of a UTI.

Roy Henson is home with a cold and respiratory challenges.

Myra Hill is struggling with health issues.

David Jernigan's nerve issues are affecting his speech and eating and causing headaches. He had an MRI Friday. Pray he will soon get answers to his problems and get back to normal.

Richard Johnson is having a difficult time with back pain and is facing surgery. Please pray fervently for him.

Frank Kemp had kidney surgery to remove a mass.

Grace Lawrence fell after the storm and injured her back, is waiting to have a MRI done.

John Little, a former elder at the congregation here, is progressing towards advanced dementia. His wife, Kristen, may be seeking for us and others to help with him soon.

Grace McGiboney, Sherry Smart's sister, visited Baptist Hospital on Nov. 13, for help with medical challenges. Please pray for her.

Dixie Miller and family of the Northview congregation have had pneumonia.

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

Maxine Newson, a friend of the Watkins' family, has an aggressive brain tumor that has immobilized her. Pray that she will start radiation treatments soon to slow the tumor's growth.

Dick Sidbury, 81, Barbara Eckard's brother, is out of the hospital and back in rehab in Mt. Pleasant, SC. He is now taking food without restrictions. Praise God. An elder in a nearby congregation hopes to visit Dick soon. Pray for Dick's healing and salvation.

Eddie and Margaret Sigmon's neighbors, the husband and wife, fell recently. Both are still requiring medical attention.

Courtney Stephens, Angela Arnett's granddaughter, has stomach issues. She is waiting on an appointment with a GI doctor.

John and Payton Tripp, Heidi Fox Tripp's husband and son; her parents, Keith and Sabina Fox, and family, are grieving Heidi's passing. Write the family at Keith and Sabina's: 1116 Crescent Moon Ct.; Durham, NC 27712.

Darleen Vaulter seeks prayers healing, that her cancer has not spread and for a second job to support her family. She asks for God's guidance for her sons, Andrew and Abraham, and for a better school for her grandson, Andrew.

Ann Ward is struggling with cancer.

David Watson, Kevin Boggs' friend, had a heart attack and is still waiting for a heart cath. and stint since Thursday.

Anita Wilfong's mom, Ruth Cloninger, is being treated at Cardinal Care in Lincolnton, Room 103. Her arm is healing.

Yosoko of the Northview congregation is in rehab for pneumonia.

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 Cardinal Care in Lincolnton.

Happy Birthday

**11/20 Randy Adcox, 11/21 Randy Pannell, 11/22 Lucas Arnett,
November Hospitality Coordinator Janet Keever**