

Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“The Great Invitation + Being An Inviting Church”

Sunday, February 9, 2025



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:

God Gives Gift(s)! Part 1 of 3 Text 1 Peter 4:10-11

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 –

Help is needed with creating flyers, t-shirts, and business cards for the church. See Percil Watkins, to help with this.

Webb Murray Elementary Teacher Recognition - Please see Janet or Theresa, to donate money towards a Valentine's treat for teachers and staff at our adopted school. We look to take this to them next week, in advance of Valentine's Day.

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

Covered Dish Meal - Wed., Feb. 12, at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring food and drink to share. At 7pm, we will have our Kids' Bible Class and the **Adults are now studying 1 Corinthians**. Please come out.

LIME - Wed., Feb. 12, 11am-1pm, in the Church Hut. Bring food to eat, for this lunch time mtg.

Seniors' Lunch – Thur. Feb. 13, 12 noon, at Western Steer, 334 Southwest Blvd, Newton, NC. RSVP with Ann Stasny, 828-310-6404.

Winterfest Youth Retreat - Feb. 14-16. Gatlinburg. Cost: \$45. Make checks to HCOC and give to Theresa. Will need money for meals.

Parents' Night Out for kids 0-16 years old. Sat., Feb. 15, 5pm-9pm in the Fellowship Hall. Register at: tinyurl.com/HCOCPNO25

Lenoir-Rhyne University Bears in Scripture Bible Study Thurs. at 7pm in the Fireside Room of the Cromer Center.

Coats and Blue, Black, or Gray sweatpants are needed for Webb Murray Elementary students. Place items in plastic bin in lobby.

The Mitchells (Jenna Powell's parents) have a king size mattress they would like to donate. Contact Ali Franks if interested.

- COMING UP -

Women of Hope Weekend - "Bold Hope," Feb. 21-22, Franklin, Tenn. <https://www.hhi.org/women/woh-weekend-tennessee/>.

Vineyard Trail to Carter Falls Hike: Sun. 02/23 at 2:15pm in Elkin. Hikers must read through the trail info prior to attending for safety and preparation. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

Zoom Prayer Time, Feb. 24-Mar. 5, 12 noon. Meeting ID: 840 2151 4138. Passcode: hcoc. Hosted by Scott Fitch.

Kingdom Café & Prayer Mar. 2 at 9:15am. Coffee and sweets will be provided. Join us as we pray for our unsaved loved ones.

LIFT – Mar. 2 at **5pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your supper and dessert will be provided. (For Ladies)

Orienteering Class Hike: Sun. 03/09 at 1:45pm at Riverbend Park. David Shuping will be teaching the class. Please read through the event info online for safety and preparation prior to attending. RSVP on Facebook or with Ali Franks.

Cole Bay Church of Christ Saint Martin - Gospel Meeting & Health Screening, April 2-9, 2025. Housing is available with members.

Medical professionals and others are invited. Let Percil or Theresa (828-292-0255) know if you would like to be part of this or if you will donate funds to help others go. They and Rossana Lecaros will travel March 25-April 10.

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/HCOc11/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 those in the **L.A. area who were affected by fires there and for families of those killed in the DC plane crash Wednesday.**

Pray for our nation and the world.

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

Georgiana Allen is mending, after falling recently. Pray for her continued recovery.

Bill Barnette, Jennifer Steelman's Dad, has pulmonary fibrosis. Jennifer covets our prayers.

Lily Barnette is doing better after seeing doctors Sunday for respiratory problems.

Elsa Barnes seeks prayers for her co-worker, Deanna, who has serious medical issues and some difficult family situations.

Kevin Bibbee is recovering from a respiratory illness.

Jean Brown and family celebrated her Dad's, John Mayo, life this past Tuesday. His wife of 68 years, Jean's Mom, Dortha Mayo, especially covets our prayers. <https://www.evansfuneralservice.com/obituary/john-mayo>

Shelly Cain's uncle, Pat Stivers, had a heart attack and is home from the hospital with a defibrillator

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

Cathy Hall is home from the hospital, but still has health challenges.

Myra Hill has Spinal Stenosis, neuropathy, and carpal tunnel. These are all affecting her legs, feet, and hands. She covets our prayers.

Megan Rae Hollar is home is home healing from a major infection and her second back surgery since late December.

David Jernigan hopes to soon learn the cause of his speech and eating problems. Thankfully, he is back and leading singing for us.

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.

Robert Knox, Cynthia Lipford's brother, is in Frye Hospital, Room 360. He's been there over two weeks, with several difficulties.

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

Dustin Mayfield's friend, Dalton Franklin, passed from an asthma attack. He left behind a wife and four kids.

Harley Mayfield will have an ultrasound of her ovaries on Monday and a sleep study soon.

Zahn McCaslin, Patsy Yoder's brother, is doing well with lung cancer chemotherapy. Time between his treatments will be increased.

Anita Miller, Andy Wharton's sister, passed last Sunday morning in WV. No visitation or service is planned. A private graveside service will be held within the family. <https://www.lamberttatman.com/obituary/anita-miller>

Cyndi Moore, Hester Burkhalter's daughter, had double-bypass heart surgery Thurs. at Sanger Hospital in Charlotte. Surgery went well and she is doing ok. She may be in ICU through Sunday and then move to a regular room.

Craig & Teresa Phillips will travel around the U.S. for a month, then return to Nepal on March 4. Pray for safety and blessings on their travels.

Christine Rainwater, Timmy Rainwater's sister-in-law, has declining health that doctors do not believe they can help with. She has been turned over to hospice care. Pray for Christine and her husband, Scott, and all the family.

Radford Robbins had a procedure on Feb. 3rd and is waiting for the test results.

Ann Stasny has spinal stenosis and is thankful her medication to address her intestinal bleeding has been approved.

Courtney Stephens, Angela Arnett's granddaughter, has less pain with her stomach issues. The medications are helping her.

Flavio Uribe is grieving the recent passing of his Dad in Florida. Pray for his strength and peace.

Darlene Vaulter is praying about starting chemo and/or radiation for her breast cancer.

Veronica with the Conover Wal-Mart has pancreatic cancer and is on medical leave. She hopes her treatments will relieve her pain.

Ann Ward is struggling with cancer.

Anita Wilfong's mom, Ruth Cloninger, is at Cardinal Care in Lincolnton, Room 103.

Jim Williams, Timmy Rainwater's brother-in-law of Lenoir, has one leg that is extremely swollen so that he can't walk. He is also diabetic. Our prayers have been requested.

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.

Birthdays

2/9 Janet Keever, 2/10 Georgiana Allen, 2/14 Chelsea Robbins, 2/15 Tony Lipford

Anniversary

2/15 Randy & Pam Dennie

February Hospitality Coordinators: Debbie Killian & Janet Keever