



Welcome to Hickory Church of Christ!

“Growing an Intimate Relationship with God”

Sunday, January 18, 2026

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.

Message for Today: - "A disciple's first stages into a deeper relationship with GOD" – Mark 1:16-39

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/>

Offering Report – January 11, 2026

Weekly General Offering Need: \$3,175

General Offering: \$1279 YTD: \$7,649.54

God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7b

– THIS WEEK –

Memorial Service and Covered Dish Lunch for Ann Stasny, Today, 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring food, dessert, and drink to share. Come share a special memory of our dear sister.

Interested in a Bible Study? To learn more about Jesus, baptism, or following Christ, reach out to Kevin Bibbee or one of our elders.

Ladies' Isaiah Discovery Bible Study – Mondays at 6:15pm on Facebook Messenger. See Theresa Watkins to join the study.

Family Meal, Wed., Jan. 21, at 6pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Bible classes for kids is at 6:10pm. **Adult class** 7:30-8:00 Zoom will be available. If interested contact Joe Hall, 828-228-2905, and make sure he gets your email address for sending the Zoom link.

– COMING UP –

Coins for Christ – Sun., Jan. 25, Encourage kids to bring coins to share in this offering, teaching the importance of giving.

No Kingdom Kids – Sun., Jan. 25, we will not have kingdom kids, so we can all worship God together.

GriefShare, Grief Support Group, will now start Sunday, Jan. 25, at 2pm in the Hut. There will be 13 meetings on Sunday afternoons at 2pm. Contact Megan Rae Hollar (828-446-9524) or Jean Brown to sign-up. Workbooks are \$20.

Kingdom Café & Prayer for Unsaved Loved Ones, Sun., Feb. 1, at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Coffee/sweets will be provided.

LIFT (Ladies In Fellowship Together), Sun., Feb. 1 at 5pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring supper. Dessert will be provided.

Winterfest, Feb. 13-15, Gatlinburg, TN. Grades 6th - 12th. www.winterfest.org/ - See Kevin Bibbee, if you are interested in attending.

Church Information

Pastoral Care/Prayer Minister: Kevin Bibbee | **Church office:** 828-464-4983

Family Life Minister - Christian Counselor: David Shuping – 980-525-7384 | **Evangelist:** Flavio Uribe - 828-348-4266

1218 Fairgrove Church Road, Hickory NC 28601 | **Elders:** Scott Fitch, Tom Keever, Steve Killian, & Percil Watkins | **Deacons:** Larry Duncan, Josiah Tilton, & Joe Hall **Website:** www.hickorychurch.org | **Sun. Worship Live:** youtube.com/@HickoryCOC and

Facebook.com/HCOC111. **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.

Foreign Wars. Pray for all in the Ukraine - Russia War. And for those involved with the Israel-Hamas War.

Casey Allen needs God's strength to overcome his challenges.

Kevin Bibbee had knee surgery for a torn meniscus.

Margaret Burns' family is grieving her recent passing. Memorial gifts may be made to Carolina Caring Catawba.

Ruth Cloninger, Anita Wilfong's mother, passed away. The funeral was Wed. Please pray for their family for comfort and peace.

Cathy Hall was at home Sunday not feeling well. She saw doctors Monday for more tests.

Myra Hill needs prayers for strength in her legs and feet.

Bob Hilton, Blake Eckard's cousin, passed away after being hospitalized. Pray for Bob's daughter, Heather, and for his other children and relatives. Bob's funeral was Tuesday.

Megan Rae Hollar is home healing after having surgery for fractures in her upper back. Praise God for her great progress.

Kim Jones (wife of Sydney Jones, former preacher in St. Maarten) is waiting to learn if her mom's kidney tumor was malignant.

Sydney Jones, who was the preacher in St. Maarten, will not return to St. Maarten, as immigration paperwork was not completed.

He looks to secure a preaching opportunity with a church in Trinidad, where he and Kim are. Pray for the St. Maarten church.

Madi McClinton seeks prayers for their mom, Tonya Jackson, who is incarcerated.

Quanisha McNeal seeks our ongoing prayers, as she continues recovering from surgery after breaking her femur.

Jeff Meadows and his 3 children. Jeff is struggling after his wife passed recently.

Deborah Miles had surgery on her back last week. She is at Frye Hospital, Rm 350 and looks to get rehab in Granite Falls.

Margo Hull Nance is home waiting for a greatly needed heart transplant.

Sonia Nobles, a sister in Christ and the Watkins' friend in Wilmington, has cancer that has returned and is in her lymph nodes.

Shareka Payne seeks our prayers, as she is dealing with heart failure. She seeks to get back into the church and longs for healing.

Timmy Rainwater was hospitalized recently and appreciates our prayers.

(Mary) Jo Sands and family are grieving the passing of her husband, Ronald, on January 1. Jo has been with us in the worship assembly on Sundays recently, along with her daughter, Pam, and Pam's family. Jo Sands, 3092 12th Ave SE - Unit 102, Hickory, NC 28602, 828-405-1261.

Sherry Smart has been in hospital with heart issues. She is now home. Her condition is improving some, but she has some hip pain.

John Stasny has lung cancer. He will begin radiation soon. Pray for his well-being and comfort as he grieves Ann's passing.

Bonita Tilton had surgery this past week for her back after a fall on Christmas Day. Please continue to pray for her pain relief.

Flavio and Renee Uribe are in Colombia, as he recovers from Lyme Disease.

Darlene V has health challenges and wants to grow closer to Christ.

Andy & Shelly Wharton had a recent house fire. His sister-in-law, Phyllis, has cancer. His brother, Anthony, has health concerns.

Shelly's step- father has Leukemia.

Lucille Woodrum is hopeful that she will be able to eat adequately, without swallowing difficulties, and regain weight.

Shut-Ins: Barbara Eddins, Myra Hill, 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

1/24 Jesse Abercrombie

Anniversary

1/21 Dustin & Harley Mayfield

Hospitality Coordinator: January – Janet Keever & Debbie Killian