

Director of Music: **Ledford Wilson**  
 Church Secretary: **Susan Coard**  
 Directors of Youth: **Andy Barnard & Ginny Owens**  
 Director of Children's Ministry: **Cindy Williams & Doris Carawan**  
 Acolyte: 10:00 **Jackie Boswell**  
 Next Week: 10:00 **Grace Williams**  
 Children's Church: 10:00 **Elizabeth Lovelace**  
 Next Week: 10:00 **Cindy Feldman**  
 Offering Counters: **Doris Carawan & Alan Foster**  
 Next Week: **Celia White & Joyce Stukey**

Organist: **Betty Winslow**  
 Nursery Worker: **Rebecca Burcher Jones**  
 Sexton: **Michael Colbert**

## Hickory United Methodist Church

2708 Battlefield Boulevard, South, Chesapeake, Virginia 23322

Thomas L. Mercer, Sr., Pastor

Church 421-2778 - Parsonage 421-2777 - Cellular 287-8420

Worship Services: 10:00 am - Sunday School 8:45 am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost - July 23, 2017



**Welcome to Hickory United Methodist Church!** We hope today is a blessing and invite you to worship with us again soon. The Pastor, Staff and people of Hickory will be glad to share with you about opportunities for Christian growth. Please call the church office for more info. You may also email the church at [office@hickoryumc.org](mailto:office@hickoryumc.org) or visit our website at [www.hickoryumc.org](http://www.hickoryumc.org). On Facebook: [www.facebook.com/hickoryunitedmethodistchurch](http://www.facebook.com/hickoryunitedmethodistchurch).

**If you need help hearing today's service**, hearing aids are available. Please see an usher.

**By vote of the Administrative Council**, during the month of July, there will be one Sunday service at 10 am. Sunday school will be at 8:45 am.

**Thank you!** I would like to thank you all for your calls, cards, food, visits, and especially your beautiful prayers during my bout with shingles. I am blessed beyond measure for all your acts of kindness. Love to you all....Cheryl Best

**75 & Over Luncheon:** Mark your calendars! July 26<sup>th</sup> is our annual luncheon to honor ladies and gents who are 75 and over. Come for fellowship and yummy food! Please call the church office if you are newly eligible!! If anyone would like to help with preparing food for the luncheon or serving at the luncheon, please contact Celia White (421-2756).

**Hickory Seniors:** During the months of July and August, Hickory Seniors will not be meeting. Meetings will resume in September.

**Offering Counters:** Help is needed on our Counter Team. If you are interested in helping to count the offering on Sundays after the 11 am service, please contact Greg Moyer (377-1866). Thank you.

**The Flower Chart** is in the Welcome Center. Payment is due when you sign up. Please make your check payable to HUMW and put it in the UMW box in the Choir Room or give your check to a member of the UMW. Please do not put your check in the offering plate.

### Report of Stewardship for July 16, 2017

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>150</b>		
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$ 7,656.00</b>	<b>Budget to Date</b>	<b>\$ 222,024.00</b>
<b>General Offering</b>	<b>\$ 4,949.00</b>	<b>Received to Date</b>	<b>\$ 217,181.34</b>
<b>Tanzania Well Project</b>	<b>\$1,564.00</b>		

### CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Mature Men's Basketball
Wednesday	12:00 p.m.	75 & Over Luncheon
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Volleyball

**The pastor is available** in his office on Wednesday and Friday mornings subject to emergencies. Please feel free to call the Pastor at any time on his cell phone (287-8420) or the church office (421-2778) and an appointment can be arranged.

### **Hickory United Methodist Church Mission Statement:**

“To live and proclaim the Gospel, seeking, encouraging and equipping all to become disciples of Jesus Christ.”

## YOUTH

**Youth Mission Trip:** July 30- August 4th, Raleigh, NC. If you would like more information, please contact Ginny Owens [757-621-8135](tel:757-621-8135), Andy Barnard [757-235-1989](tel:757-235-1989) or email us at [humcyf@gmail.com](mailto:humcyf@gmail.com).

## **Prayer Requests for a Praying Church**

### **New Requests for Members**

Vicki Bradner

### **New Requests Beyond our Congregation**

Pastor Kelly Burris      Connie Robertson      Pearle Zajack

### **Members with Continued Concerns**

Eddie Allen	Dave Gronemus	Cheryl Best	Jim Walker
Margaret Norfleet	Carolyn Harrell	Carol Peters	Arnie Lindblad
Bill Reed	Bev Warburton	Ralph Nichols	Dave McCullough
Carolyn Rittenberry	Hulda Sorey	Alice Jarman	Stephanie Stahler

### **Continued Concerns Beyond our Congregation**

Margie Blevins

Jayne Moore	Brandy Walker	Kovacs Family	Janice Lane Stewart
Stan Pallett	Jordan Sanderlin	Evelyn McKinley	Carol Curling
Debbie DeLorme	Donna White	Wanda Weston	Stephen Taylor
Al Antaki	Jennifer Tunney	Bobby Lockett	Harry Blevins
Annika Jersild	Rebecca Ireland	Terri Cumbia	Susan Rittenberry

Nick & Marla Smith – Lynn Hughes' friends

Lucy Harrington – Heather Brewer's mother

Kay Phillips – Sharon Nichols' mother

Mary McChesney – Rachel Burns' friend

David Brown – Eva Delfenthal's son

Charlie Minehart – Cindy Feldman's friend

Ralph Munsey – Cindy Feldman's friend

Bill Kellner – Ledford Wilson's uncle

Don Erickson – Bill Reed's friend

Ethel Davis – Debbie Cowling's neighbor

Margie Cannata – Elaine Hutto's aunt

Connie Carpenter – Susan McKee's cousin

Kathy Woolard – Pearl Weston's friend

Chris Grant – Kathy Moyer's brother

Tamara Emberton – Alan Foster's sister

Rachel Gordon – Craig Robertson's niece

Gillian Harrington – Heather Brewer's niece

Mike Gates – Phyllis Nix's daughter-in-law's brother

Lindsey & Virginia Gardner - Ginny Owens' parents

Dolores Bulger – Kellie Swasey's mother

Billy Gagnon – Margaret Norfleet's brother

Sharon Ivey – Gary and Carolyn Everton's niece

Ginger Hoyos – Tim Mizell's sister

Keith & Betty Jean Edwards – Carolyn Everton's friends

Jim Anderson – Kim Schorr's father

Kathy Auguis – Elaine Hutto's cousin

Rebekah Burke – Stephanie Stahler's friend

Todd Winstead – Marj Barnes' friend

Doris & Gene Bryan – Cindy Feldman's parents

Donna Ward – Stephanie Stahler's cousin

Miles Brown – Stan Best's cousin

**Our Deployed Military** -Send a note of thanks to military overseas, go to [www.letssaythanks.com](http://www.letssaythanks.com) .

### **Our Friends in Continued Care**

Anne Tate – Currituck House

Nina Curling – Autumn Care

Kenny Hobbs – Chesapeake Healthcare

Jim Powell – at home

Autumn Care Residents

Marilyn Pratt – Chesapeake Healthcare

*Our congregation hears all prayer requests during Sunday services. Please feel free to voice your request during the service. Please indicate your request on the Prayer Request cards found in the pews or call the church office (421-2778). On the Prayer Card, please list the person's name you would like to add to our Prayer List, their relationship to you, and the prayer concern. Place the card in the offering plate or the Prayer Request box on the organ. Names will remain on the List for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested.*

# Order of Worship

+++++ 10:00 a.m. +++++

THE PIANO AND ORGAN PRELUDE

THE WELCOME OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

THE BRINGING IN OF THE LIGHT

Acolyte

THE CALL TO WORSHIP “Precious Lord, Take My Hand/In the Garden”

David & Victoria Proffitt

\*PRAISE SONGS “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

No. 140

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

No. 327

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “Affirmation from I Corinthians 15:1-6

and Colossians 1:15-20”

No. 888

THE ORGAN INTERLUDE

Please register your attendance by using the form found in the red folder on each pew at the middle aisle. Visitors are asked to please include your complete address and phone number. **Please print.**

THE SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR CONGREGATION

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen*

“On Eagle’s Wings”

**And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.**

ANTHEM “More Than You Will Ever Know”

David & Victoria Proffitt

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

(In addition to your offering, the person on the center aisle is asked to hand the attendance sheet from their row to the usher. Thank You.)

The Organ Offertory

\*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE:

Cindy Williams

“Super Heroes” and “Leap of Faith”

VBS Kids

(During the singing of the hymn, children, preschool-2nd grade may go to Children’s Church.)

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR CHILD(REN) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE CLASSROOM(S) BEHIND THE SANCTUARY.**

\*HYMN: “This Is My Father’s World”

No. 144

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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MESSAGE

“Pulling Weeds”

Pastor

\*THE HYMN OF CELEBRATION AND COMMITMENT

No. 145

“Morning Has Broken”

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*THE CHORAL RESPONSE “O How He Loves You and Me”

All

Oh, how He loves you and me, Oh, how He loves you and me.

He gave His life, what more could He give?

Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He loves me; Oh, how He loves you and me.

\*THE TAKING OF THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

Acolyte

\*THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

\*Denotes the Congregation Standing

Memory Verse:

Matthew 13:41 (NIV)

<sup>41</sup> “The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will weed out of His kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil.”