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# HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Worship Bulletin  
November 5, 2023

**All Saints Sunday  
November 5, 2023**

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER**

**CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>**

On this All Saints Day, we gather to join the multitude of saints across the generations from all tribes, peoples, and languages, to proclaim:

**Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

We come to remember, to grieve, and to celebrate those saints who have come before, yet whose life and witness continues to teach us:

**Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

We gather today as the family of Christ, siblings and saints, diverse yet united by grace to live lives that declare:

**Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

May we be guided today by the Lamb who is our Shepherd, the one who gathers us, comforts us and tends us.

**May we join in the work of the Shepherd to bring about a world with no more hunger, no more thirst, no more suffering, and no more pain that all the saints of the past, the present, and the future may share in God's abundant life. Amen.**

**RECOGNITION OF MEMBERS IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT**

Louise Coley, December 24, 2022

Wanda Lingle, October 24, 2023

\*HYMN

*Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

UMH 702

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

### OFFERATORY PRAYER & OFFERATORY

*Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a designated mission. The mission for this month will be the same as that for the month of December, to be decided at the November Administrative Council.*

### \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



**Praise for Deliverance from Trouble**

- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
let the humble hear and be glad.
- <sup>3</sup> O magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt his name together.
- <sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.
- <sup>5</sup> Look to him, and be radiant,  
so your<sup>[a]</sup> faces shall never be ashamed.
- <sup>6</sup> This poor soul cried and was heard by the LORD  
and was saved from every trouble.
- <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps  
around those who fear him and delivers them.
- <sup>8</sup> O taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are those who take refuge in him.
- <sup>9</sup> O fear the LORD, you his holy ones,  
for those who fear him have no want.
- <sup>10</sup> The young lions suffer want and hunger,  
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- <sup>22</sup> The LORD redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION<sup>2</sup>**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of  
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Beatitudes (The Sermon on the Mount)

**5** When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

<sup>10</sup> “Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

<sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

MESSAGE      “Rewards *now*, rewards *then*”      Pastor Craig

HOLY COMMUNION UMH 12-15

\*HYMN                      *Go, Make of All Disciples*                      UMH 571

## DISMISSAL AND BLESSING



## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**November 5, 2023**

**Prayer Focus for November:** In all things, be thankful.

**Bible verses to remember: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Northwest Forsyth Missional Network Charge Conference**

**Worship**, Sunday, November 5, at 3:00 p.m. at Faith UMC, 1645 Griffin Road, Rural Hall, NC 27045.

**Administrative Council**, Tuesday, November 7, at 7:00 pm.

**United Women in Faith**, Friday, November 10, at 2:00 pm.

**In recognition of Veterans Day** (Saturday, November 11) we will honor veterans at church on Sunday, November 12.

**Charge Conference** at Hickory Ridge, Sunday, November 19, at 3:00 pm, with Rev. Sandra Ireson, presiding elder.

1. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2023.
2. <https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc>

## PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine

Joe Bennett	Cancer
Melissa Brown	Daughter of Maria Rogers
James Brunk	In-law of Billy and Margie Gordy
Cathy Childress	5703 Beaver Pond Trail, Pfafftown 27040
Ray Gordy	Brother to Billy Gordy
Cathy Hrestak	Cousin to Joe Bennett
Chris Jones	Friend to Margie Gordy
Scott Lane	Son to Janice Lane
Janice Lane	
Wanda Lingle Family	
David Linville	Friend to Harold Kincaid
Kristy Long	Daughter of Clara Long
Freddie Masencup	Friend to Sara Overton
Irene Mayo	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Mary Ruth Neeley	Sister to Margie Gordy
Keith Overton	Treatment
Tammy Parham	Daughter to Wanda Manring
Carrie Snow	Sister-in-law to Beverly Snow
Donald and Sylvia Stewart	Friends to Sara Overton
Richard and Becky Thomas	Cousin to Lawson Family
Angie Toth	Cancer Treatments
Robin Willard	Broken arm and shoulder
Christian Willard and family	
Wade Willard	Friend of Billy & Margie Gordy

## Shut-ins

Martha Collins, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012

Ron Fulp, Holiday Forsyth Court, 2945 Reynolda Road—Apt. 142

Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Clara Long, 1905 Emorywood Road, Rural Hall, 27045

Betty Martin, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012

Judy Scudder, Bradford Village, 602 Piney Grove Rd, Kernersville 27284

Barbara White, 1294 Priddy Road, King, NC 27021

## WELCOME FROM HICKORY RIDGE

We've been waiting for you! We believe that every person who comes into this special fellowship is sent by God, himself. Above all else, we want to express Christ's love for you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We are eager to know you, and we are excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and in our lives. It will not take long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Our hearts, our doors, and our minds are open. If you have been thinking, praying, searching for a place to belong, we say to you, "Welcome home!"

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

At Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church, our purpose is to communicate God's Word through evangelism, to provide fellowship and community to believers, to educate God's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

## CHURCH INFORMATION

Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church  
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Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.

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