

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, September 15

10:40AM to 11:00AM	Charge Conference	Sanctuary
1:00PM to 2:00PM	Group Naomi	Bride's Room
3:00PM to 5:30PM	Latino Venue Rehearsal	FLC
8:00PM to 9:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

### Monday, September 16

6:00PM to 8:00PM	UMW Executive Board Meeting	Parlor B
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Boy Scouts	Epworth Building

### Tuesday, September 17

7:05AM to 8:30AM	Prayer Breakfast	Epworth Building
8:30AM to 1:30PM	Arts & Crafts	Epworth Building
3:30PM to 4:30PM	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
5:30PM to 8:30PM	Quilting Ministry	AGAPE Room
6:30PM to 8:30PM	Worship Board	Parlor B
7:00PM to 9:30PM	Latino Worship Practice	Chapel

### Wednesday, September 18

10:00AM to 12:00PM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Parlor B
8:00PM to 9:00PM	Candlelight - Narcotics Anonymous	Epworth Building

### Thursday, September 19

6:30PM to 8:00PM	Girl Scouts District Meeting	Susanna Wesley Bldg.
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Cub Scouts	Susanna Wesley Bldg.
7:00PM to 8:30PM	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Room
7:00PM to 8:30PM	Praise Band Rehearsal	Family Worship Center

### Friday, September 20

7:30PM to 10:30PM	Latino Venue Rehearsal	FLC
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### Saturday, September 21

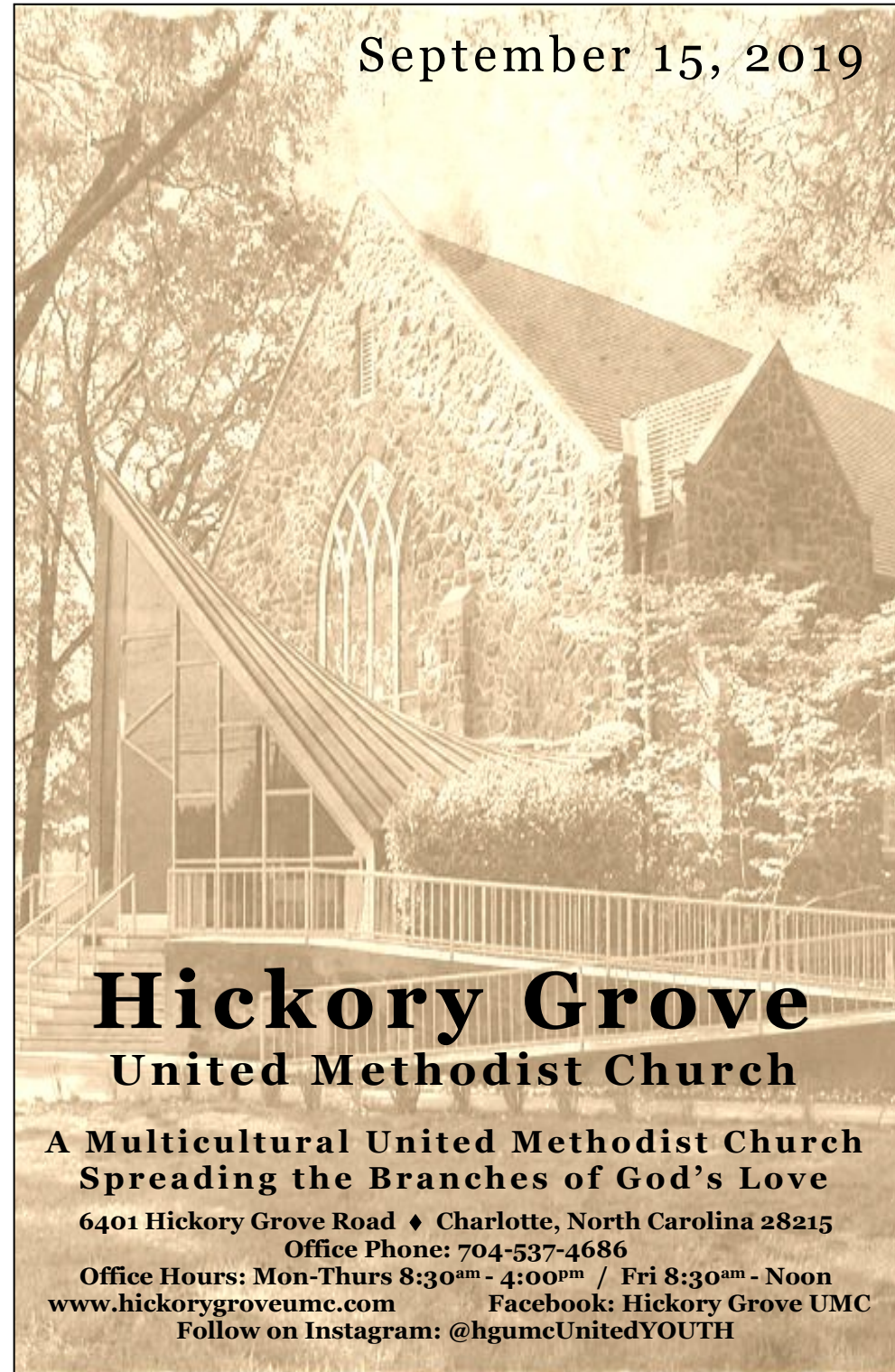
8:00AM to 2:00PM	African Venue: Reserved	Gym
8:00AM to 2:00PM	Epiphany Team	Parlors
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Agape Room
11:30AM to 1:00PM	Girl Scouts	Susanna Wesley Bldg.
5:00PM to 7:00PM	African Venue Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

### Sunday, September 22

3:00PM to 5:30PM	Latino Venue Rehearsal	FLC
8:00PM to 9:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

**Please help us with the roll out of the One Call Now**, our new communication tool, by setting your preferences for how you want to receive messages. Go to the **Self-Update Portal by One Call Now** from the HGUMC web page. To receive text messages, simply text **ALERT** to **22300**.

September 15, 2019



# Hickory Grove

## United Methodist Church

**A Multicultural United Methodist Church  
Spreading the Branches of God's Love**

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Traditional Service: 9:15 AM (Sanctuary)  
Latino Bible Study: 10:00 AM (Parlors and Conference Room)  
Sunday School: 10:20 AM  
Contemporary: 11:11 AM (Family Worship Center)  
African Ministry: 11:11 AM (Sanctuary)  
Latino Ministry: 11:11 AM (Chapel)

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**Grove Echoes Deadline: Friday, September 20.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome to Hickory Grove United Methodist Church!*

**Charge Conference will be held in the sanctuary today at 10:40 am to discuss refinancing of the FLC.**

### A Wonderful Opportunity for Growth

Are you looking for ways to better serve your church and your community? A way to enrich your Christian walk? If so, I would love to share with you some information about the role of a Certified Lay Servant. Each year the Metro District offers classes. They offer a basic class and an advanced class. If this is something you would like to ask questions about or explore deeper, please contact Star Howell at starhowell@gmail.com or call me at 704-277-5543.

**Join us as we study Mountaintop Moments: Meeting God in the High Places** by Dr. Ed Robb on Tuesday mornings at 10 am beginning Oct. 1 in Parlor B. In this six week study we will see how Dr. Robb associates our "mountaintop moments" with the mountains of the Old and New Testaments and the events relating to those sacred places, showing us how their lessons can be woven into our everyday lives. **Contact Jatana Royster (jatanaroyster@gmail.com) by Sept. 15 to order a book.** The cost of the book is approximately \$13.

### Welcome to the 2019-20 school year!

North Star at Hickory Grove Elementary School is kicking off again this year with a volunteer training that you won't want to miss! The training will be held on Monday, October 7th at Forest Hills Church. Session times are 9:00-10:30 and 1:00-2:30. You will need to sign up for one of the sessions. Contact Jatana Royster at jatanaroyster@gmail.com if you are interested in reading with a child one day a week and making a lifelong difference in his/her life.

**DID YOU KNOW:** 85 percent of all juveniles who interface with the juvenile court system are classified as functionally low in literacy.

**Care 4 College Care Package Program:** We are collecting addresses of our college students. The student can be away at school or attending college classes while living at home. It is open to all members. Please submit the information to Courtney Boger or the Church Office (see inside cover for contact information).

**Pumpkin Palooza:** We are collecting candy for this upcoming event (Sunday, October 27). Please place your donations in the box located outside each venue.

### Daily Scripture Readings

Mon., September 16: John 5:1-15  
 Wed., September 18: Psalm 25  
 Fri., September 20: Romans 6:1-14

Tues., September 17: John 8:1-11  
 Thurs., September 19 : Ephesians 2  
 Sat., September 21: Romans 3:21-31

### Prayer

**Almighty God**, from whom every good prayer cometh, and who pourest out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and supplication: Deliver us, when we draw nigh to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that, with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections, we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### Financial Stewardship

September	General Fund	Building Fund	Apportionments
Goal	\$45,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$1,000.00
Received to date (9/8)	\$20,815.76	\$5,087.00	\$415.00
Difference	(\$24,184.24)	(\$6,913.00)	(\$585.00)

### Attendance 9/8/2019 (Total: 273)

9:15 am Traditional: 93  
 African Venue: 74  
 Mini Church / Nursery: 14 / 5

11:11 am Contemporary: 48  
 Latino Venue: 39  
 Sunday School: 122

### Prayer Requests

**Family of Robert McEachern,  
 (Betty Nunn's brother)  
 Family of Betty Goodwin,  
 (Sandy's mother)**  
 Lynne Fancy,  
*(Becky Baldwin's Cousin)*  
 Mary Dye,  
*(Dianne Horton's Aunt)*  
 Family of Sue Stading  
 Vicky Scott  
 Janae Aiken,  
*(Friend of Courtney Boger)*  
 Yvette Whitsett,  
*(Marva Moore's sister)*  
 Jackie Jones,  
*(Marva Moore's sister)*  
 Dorothy Carbone  
 Betty Lawson,  
*(Dianne Horton's aunt)*

Lila Dye,  
*(Dianne Horton's mother)*  
 Chip Rearick  
 Janice Martin  
 Kathleen Robinson  
 Dorothy Bentley  
 Gerry Little  
 Betty Ensley  
 Nokie Tuttle  
 Ann Trammell  
 Sara Elliott  
 Harold Ballard  
 Clyde Kiker  
 Katherine Speight  
 John and Frances Dobbins  
 Sarah Purser  
 Annie Wilson  
 Ruth Perry  
 Military

**Please contact the church office with any updates to our prayer list.**

## 9:15 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*James Lowery*

OPENING PRAYER

\*OPENING HYMN NO. 400 *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

\*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM

*Sanctuary Choir*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

*Luke 15:1-10*

SERMON

*Reverend Dr. Samuel Moore, Jr.  
 "Disciples Invite Others to Christ and the Church!"*

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 664 *"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

*James Lowery*

*\*You are invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

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## 11:11 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONGS

PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER

PRAISE SONG

*\*Children grades K-3rd gather in the back for Mini Church at 11:25.*

SCRIPTURE *Luke 15:1-10*

SERMON *Reverend Dr. Samuel Moore, Jr.*  
*“Disciples Invite Others to Christ and the Church!”*

OFFERING

PRAISE SONG

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

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## 11:11 AM AFRICAN MINISTRY SERVICE

WELCOME

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN

\*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

\*PRAYER HYMN NO.

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*SCRIPTURE LESSON *Luke 15:1-10*

SELECTION *HGUMC African Ministry*

SERMON *“Jesus Hangs Out With Them Too?”*  
*Minister Alex Kwiagaye*

OFFERING

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*CLOSING HYMN

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

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