

Northside Drive Baptist Church
3100 Northside Drive NW
Atlanta, GA 30305-1909



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Tender Loving Prayer List

The TLP is a Diaconate ministry. The names for this month are listed below.

Jack & Joey Guynn
Muriel Hardy
Helen White

If you would like your name placed on our rotating TLP list, please give the church office a call.



Pastor's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Meets weekly from 10:30-11:30 AM in the Church's Conference Room. We study the texts selected in the Revised Common Lectionary for the next Sunday. Large print editions are available each week and for the upcoming Sunday. Discussion is deep and wide and lively. All are invited.

Meets on 1st Thursday and 3rd Thursday in the Parlor at 10:30 AM.



If you are not sure how to knit or crochet, no problem, there will be plenty of people to help you get started. This group is open to anyone who would like to join! For more information call Susan Harlan at 770-377-3869.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS December 2019

Dec. 1—Festival Singers of Atlanta concert at 3:00 PM
Dec. 10—Triple E Christmas Party at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall
Dec. 12—Poinsettia Sales end
Dec. 15—Polar Express PJ Party @ 12:15 in the Fellowship Hall
Dec. 17—ROMEOS at Noon at Piccadilly in Marietta
Dec. 17—Choral Guild of Atlanta concert @ 7:30 PM
Dec. 18—NDBC Book Club at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall
Dec. 24—Christmas Eve—Church offices closed at Noon
Dec. 24—Christmas Eve Services
4:00 PM—Family Vespers
11:00 PM—Lessons, Carols, and Communion
Dec. 25—Christmas Day—Church offices closed
Dec. 31—New Years Eve—Church Offices closed at Noon

Sunday Morning Worship Scriptures

December 1

First Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:36-44

December 8

Second Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19
Romans 15:4-13
Matthew 3:1-12

December 15

Third Sunday of Advent & Gaudete Sunday
Isaiah 35:1-10
Luke 1:47-55
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 7:10-16
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-25

December 29

First Sunday after Christmas
Isaiah 63:7-9
Psalm 148
Hebrews 2:10-18
Matthew 2:13-23

These are the Lectionary Texts for the day, but the texts used in worship may vary.

NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

Andrea Johnson
Director of Children's Ministries
Daniel Headrick
Associate Pastor
David Vaughns
Custodian
Gregory Colson
Director Emeritus of Music Ministries
James Lamkin
Pastor
Joleen Neel
Preschool Director
Keith H. Walker
Director of Music Ministries
Mary Lou Swann
Director of Children's Choirs
Melinda Clark
Organist
Nick Bonner
Custodian
Rose Hilday
Business Office Manager
Will Mathews
Administrative Manager

December Birthdays

Paxton Cooper-1
Steve Sheeley-2
Mary Lester-5
Susan Richards-5
David Beavers-5
Syd Janney-7
Laura Butts-7
Lisa Barksdale-8
Andrew Hardin-9
Jack Guynn-10
Ava Grace Cook-10
Elaine Eassa-13
Clay Manley-17
Clayton McClure-18
Charlotte Dalke-20
Jenn Knight-23
Joan McIntyre-24
Emma Chandler-27
Joseph Cassata-27
Ruth Trager-28
Muriel Hardy-29
Jeanne Goodwill-30



Christmas Eve Services

4:00 PM—Family Vespers

10:30 PM—Lessons, Carols and Communion

In the Sanctuary



The PINNACLE

Northside Drive

BAPTIST CHURCH

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Advent Activities

December 1—Advent 1

8:30 AM-Handbell rehearsal
9:30 AM-Hanging of the Green
fellowship time in the Art & Soul Room
9:45 AM-Hanging of the Green service in the Sanctuary
10:25—Children's Choirs rehearsal
11:00 AM-Morning Worship

December 8-Advent 2

8:30 AM-Handbell rehearsal
9:30 AM-Church School
10:25 AM-Children's Choirs rehearsal
11:00 AM-Morning Worship

December 15-Advent 3 & Gaudete Sunday

9:30 AM-Reception in the Art & Soul Room
10:30 AM-Morning Worship/Choir
presentation of Handel's Messiah: Part One
12:15 PM-Children's PJ party in the Fellowship Hall

December 22-Advent 4

11:00 AM-Morning Worship

December 24-Christmas Eve

4:00 PM-Family Vespers
10:30 PM-Lessons, Carols and Communion

December 29

NO Church School
11:00 AM-Morning Worship



The Sanctuary Choir of Northside Drive Baptist Church
Presents Part One of

Messiah

by G.F. Handel

Featuring soloists Courtney Richmond, Soprano; Shantá Johnson, Alto;
James Ranson, Tenor; Steve Sheeley, Bass

December 15, 2019
10:30 am



Pastoral Reflections
“Christmas Creche Cache ”
By James Lamkin



There is a humble elegance to images of the Holy Family.

With the swirl of anxiety and activity around the holiday season, the simplicity of a Christmas creche has the power to center us. It’s like a microscope focused on the world’s hope and God’s heart; but also, it is like a telescope embracing the wide wingspan of God’s inclusive love...from lowly shepherds to extravagant Wise Men, from a dark night to a bright star, from an unpretentious manger to a heavenly host, from angels’ song to “the cattle are lowing.”

Below is an invitation from Syd and Don Janney. They have led the way for a display of creches throughout Advent. As noted, these are from the collection of Wade Davis.

On your way to Christmas, make your way to the area just above the Narthex. There, you will find a cache of creches. Pause and observe and see if they don’t quietly encourage hope, spark memory, and evoke gratitude as we give thanks for God’s generosity and the gift of Wade Davis.


Wade Davis Nativity Gallery opens December 1

Wade Davis, who died in September, 2018, was an ordained minister, church musician, and NDBC member since 1980. At his death, Wade left a handwritten will that bestowed his house and its contents to our church. The house includes Wade’s large collections of books, music, and beautiful things lovingly acquired. Whether because of his strong Christian faith, wide-ranging interests, or his home address on Christmas Lane, Wade collected nativity sets and images in varying forms and materials.

These collections and art objects have been assembled in a whimsical way to create the Wade Davis Nativity Gallery as a memorial to Wade and for the benefit of all church members. Please view this display of nativity sets and images on the balcony level of the Sanctuary Building above the narthex, which is accessible by taking the elevator to level 5. The Nativity Gallery will open on December 1 (Hanging of Greens Sunday) and will be available for viewing throughout the season of Advent.

Church school classes of all ages, church members, and guests are all invited to visit the Nativity Gallery whenever the church doors are open. Children should always be accompanied by their parents or teachers. A book to register attendance and comments will be available for viewers.

Syd and Don Janney

 **FESTIVAL SINGERS OF Atlanta**

The Festival Singers of Atlanta present
“O Radiant Dawn”

The Festival Singers of Atlanta under the direction of Keith H. Walker presents the first concert of its 2019-2020 season titled “O Radiant Dawn” featuring the setting of the Antiphon for December 21 by Scottish James Macmillan. Other works include the *Missa O magnum mysterium* by Spanish composer Tomas Luis de Victoria, and carols and motets of the Advent and Christmas season. The program will be presented on **Sunday, December 1 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary at Northside Drive Baptist Church.** The concert is free and open to the public. Donations are appreciated.


 **CHORAL GUILD OF ATLANTA, INC.**

Dreaming of a Jewish Christmas –
Holiday Music by Jewish Composers

Celebrate the holidays with music you will find familiar and learn how and why these songs have become woven into the fabric of our culture.

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 7:30 PM

Northside Drive Baptist Church – 3100 Northside Drive – Atlanta, GA 30305. To order tickets, visit <https://cgatl.org/concerts/>



From the Finance Committee


I grew up at Northside Drive. My first NDBC memories are of singing *Away In A Manger* in the celestial choir. My first real job was as a counselor at Day Spring, the summer camp the church used to host. My husband, Cali, and I were married here. My family friends – you know...the people who are as close to you as family, and though they aren’t actually related to you, they’re the family you would have picked if you could – they are all Northside Drivers. I really feel like this is *my* church, like I belong here.

I give to the church because I want my children to have that same sense of belonging.



Guest Musician, Joshua Messick to play for Hanging of the Green at 9:45 AM and morning worship at 11:00 AM on December 1.

Asheville, North Carolina-based National Hammered Dulcimer Champion, Joshua Messick, breathes new life into an ancient, enchanting instrument. He weaves cinematic stylings and endless imagination with virtuosic performances. Joshua’s musical artistry is influenced by Celtic, World, Renaissance, Folk, and Classical music. He has released six studio albums. Joshua’s recordings will be available for purchase in the Parlor before and after service.



Christmas Giving at Northside Drive

As we move into this wonderful season of joy and generosity, the Missions program at Northside Drive offers multiple ways for members to support the mission activities of the church and help brighten the holidays for others. Through our gifts of toys, food, clothing, money, and time, we share God’s love with others in our community and beyond.

The Giving Tree is set up in the Narthex with gift tags of items for the children in *Morningstar Residential Care*. A flyer listing ways members can share with other agencies is available. The list includes items for male and female residents of *The Extension* and *Crafton Center* (jackets, gloves, twin sheets, towels, etc.) and money to support *Andrew P. Stewart Center*, which hopes to provide each of the families they serve with a ham for Christmas. Also, as we do throughout the year, we will be collecting and distributing regular or hotel toiletry items for women and men.


There is much for us to be thankful for at Northside Drive Baptist Church and many ways for us to share joy with others. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Hall 404-791-7104 or Barbara Atchley 770-436-0709.


(Geneva Hall-Shelton cont’d)

Cali and I feel lucky that we have all of you - a church family where our daughter, Amelia, is proud to read from the Bible in Spanish during the worship service and waves to Mr. JB, her Sunday School teacher, in the choir loft. We are delighted we have a church where our son, Sebastian, looks forward to speaking with his good friend Kathy Harris to swap stories about wild animal sightings and challenges James about the Bible’s take on herbivores and carnivores.

We are thankful to have a group of parents, who, although tired and often nursing a cup of coffee, are there to support each other through the journey of parenthood.

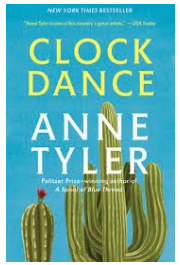
NDBC means a lot to me. It always has. I give so that it will be so for years to come. Please join me by pledging to give, for all the reasons that make you feel your own sense of belonging here.

 **ROMEOS** will meet on Tuesday, December 17 @ Noon @ Piccadilly in Marietta. For more information call Posey Starkey at 404-904-0890.

 **Meets Tuesday, December 10 @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.**


The program will be the Annual Christmas Party.

Celebrate the season with friends and guests of NDBC and enjoy a program by our favorite a capella group! They will perform some special Christmas songs, then lead us in a sing-a-long. Bring your friends for a delicious lunch, delightful music, and sharing the Christmas spirit.



NDBC Book Club
Wednesday, January 22 @ 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

The featured book is:
Clock Dance: A Novel
Author: Anne Tyler
Facilitator: Beverly Allen
Hostess: Nancy Hall



POINSETTIAS
\$20.00

There is still time to order!!

The deadline for orders is December 12.

Just fill out a Poinsettia envelope and drop it in the offering plate. Make checks payable to “Northside Drive Baptist Church” (Please put “Poinsettia” in the memo line)

Atlanta Interfaith Leaders Forum
Eleventh Annual Taste of Faith

Sunday, December 8
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM
City of Light
3125 Presidential Parkway, Atlanta, GA 30340

Celebrate the Holidays:

The Rev. Dr. T. Paul Groetz will welcome us to the City of Light worship center.

For further information: contact Bill Voss at vossduck@mindspring.com