



The Art of Being Northside Drive

The Worship of God

**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022**

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“We should not ignore the fact that it is altogether possible to want to be surprised. This may come from an awareness that we are very often the ones who exert the most powerful limitations on our own experiences. We require surprise in order truly to be broken out of ruts and routines since we are too reluctant to initiate genuine change on our own. Often the best we can summon is the will to be overwhelmed by something that we know we lack the will to choose.”

Craig Hovey, *Unexpected Jesus*

THE APPROACH
"Be still and know that I am God."

Opening Voluntary *Sweet Hour of Prayer* arr. Dickinson
Steve Sheeley, Hammered Dulcimer

Gathering

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Morning Chimes

Call to Worship *from Psalm 50* Dan Oakley

*Hymn of Praise 49 *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* AMSTERDAM

*The Litany of Invitation and Confession

Leader: We come to worship with a sense of expectation and participation.

All: We give thanks that God meets us where we are.

Leader: We bring our grief because of loss, our gratitude because of blessings, and our guilt because of shortcomings.

All: We give thanks that God meets us where we are.

Leader: We have a longing to love and be loved, a need for the renewal of faith, and a desire for the courage to be faithful.

All: We also confess that we often lack courage and are faithless; too often we are reluctant practitioners of hope. We pause for a moment of silent confession...

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Sisters and brothers: Christ meets us where we are, in our needs and in our confession. God loves us. God has forgiven us!

All: Let us lift our voices in praise to God.

The Gloria Patri 805

GREATOREX

THE WORD

“Blessed are they that hear the word of the Lord.”

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| First Lesson: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 <i>Pew Bible, page 630 (Old Testament)</i> | Dan Oakley |
| Prayers of the People Hear our prayer, O God. We give you thanks, O God. | Scott Hovey |
| Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 <i>Pew Bible, page 225 (New Testament)</i> | Dan Oakley |
| Children’s Sermon | Mary Lou Swann |
| *Hymn 478 <i>My Savior’s Love</i> | MY SAVIOR’S LOVE |
| *Gospel Lesson: Luke 12:32-40 <i>Pew Bible, page 75 (New Testament)</i> | Scott Hovey |
| Leader: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. | |
| Sermon <i>“Surprise!”</i> | Scott Hovey |

THE RESPONSE

“Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only.”

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| Discipline of Silence and Invitation to Discipleship | |
| *Hymn of Dedication 493 <i>I Know Whom I Have Believed</i> | EL NATHAN |
| Invitation to Stewardship | Scott Hovey |
| Musical Offering <i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i> (ST. ELIZABETH) arr. Bowman Steve Sheeley, Hammered Dulcimer | |
| *The Doxology 808 | OLD HUNDREDTH |

THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are invited to participate in Holy Communion.

Please come forward using the center aisle. Receive a piece of bread and a cup of juice and take them with you as you return to your pew by the side aisles. After everyone has been served, the celebrant will direct the congregation to eat the bread and drink the cup together. Should you need to have the bread and cup brought to you, a deacon will be glad to serve you in your pew. If you are in the balcony, come down at any time you wish using the center aisle.

THE COMMISSION

“ . . . and I will be with you always.”

*Hymn of Witness 634

CWM RHONDDA

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Toccata

Carlos Seixas

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Liturgist

Dan Oakley



CHURCH WEEK

WEDNESDAY, August 10

10:30 AM – Pastor’s Morning Bible Study

SUNDAY, August 14

9:00 AM – Adult Ed Summer Series

Via Zoom and in the Art & Soul Classroom

11:00 AM - Morning Worship

12:15 PM- Diaconate Meeting

MONDAY, August 15

7:00 PM- Church Council

TUESDAY, August 16

10:00 AM- Staff Meeting

11:00 AM -Worship Planning

WEDNESDAY, August 17

10:30 AM – Pastor’s Morning Bible Study



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or other concerns at 404-237-8621 or email
info@northsidedrive.org.*



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Scott Hovey, Senior Pastor
Keith H. Walker, Director of Music Ministries
Melinda Clark, Organist
Mary Lou Swann, Director of Children's Choirs
Rose Hidlay, Business Manager
Nick Bonner, Custodian
David Vaughns, Custodian



NDBC CORE VALUES

Northside Drive Baptist Church values being
Inclusive, Inquiring, and Involved.



OUR VISION

We believe God calls us into Christian community with the challenge to discern and act upon the ongoing revelation of God in our time and place. We live out this vision by being a church rooted deeply in liturgical traditions, where intergenerational friendships are valued, all members can be known by name, open-mindedness is the basis of spiritual formation, resources are shared generously, and where hands-on service is crucial to our own discipleship and the mission of Christ in the world. We celebrate this vision through the intimacy of a loving congregation, the strength of Baptist freedoms, and the reach of an ecumenical and inclusive spirit.