

3 100 Northside Drive NW

Atlanta, GA 30305



The TLP is a Diaconate ministry. Each week's list contains the rotating names of three or four NDBC senior adults.

> Aline Cofield Gordon & Billie Davis Jo Hunter Wilton Looney

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.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Every 1st & 3rd Thursday at 7:00 PM

In the Church Parlor

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.

NDBC Bylaws Review—Moderator, Hartwell Dew, has convened a task force to review NDBC's bylaws and make recommendations for any amendments. If you have suggestions or proposals please email Jo Meeks (Chair) at jolaniermeeks@gmail.com. In addition, committee members are David Cook, Brian Knight, George Taylor, and Dave Wooten. The committee will meet on Sunday, January 21, 2018.

If you should change your phone number, email, or mailing address, Please contact the church office to let us know. Thank you.

> **Church in Conference January 25, 2018** 6:45 PM

January Birthdays

Gail Hermance-22 Harry Mathis-22 Nancy Hall-23 Levi Milligan-24 Will Egan-25 Stephanie Jones-25 Jackson Singleton-25 Michael Dyson-26 Michael Hermance-26 Lanier Meeks Yi-28 Riley Isakson-31

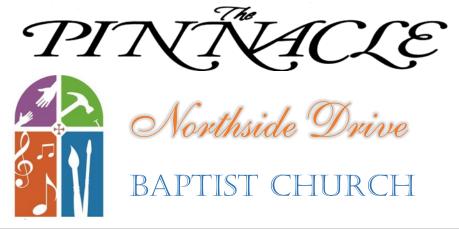
February Birthdays

Janie Jovner-1 Lindsay Cadaret-4 Rhonda Harris-4 Dalia Ferrer-5 Barrett Boekhaus-6 Virgil Herndon-6 Tanner Stines-9 Mary Dean-10 Cindy Bell-11 Blythe Goodhead-13 Mike Almedia-13 Cate Denham-14 Letty Denham-14 Bo Thomas-14 Lindy Dyer-14 Mary Ann Hickman-14 Jeanne Hicks-14 Van Thomas-18 Marshall Dewell-20 Taylor Janney-21 Susan Dew-21 Gloria Smathers-22 Dee Davis-23 Levon Thomas-24 Maggie Johnson-25



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NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

Rev. Dr. James Lamkin **Rev. Daniel Headrick** Associate Pastor Dr. Keith H. Walker Director of Music Ministries Anna Kate Stephenson Director of Children's Ministries

Jeffrey Dunkerley Director of Youth & Young Adults

Rose Hidlay Business Manage Will Mathews Administrative Manager Joleen Neel Preschool Director

Jeremy Lewis, Director of

Urban Recipe, food co-op

to be our quest speaker

Gregory Colson Director Emeritus of Music Ministries

Sunday Morning Worship **Lectionary Text**

January 21

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

January 28

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28



SAVE THE DATE

January 28th is our annual

Souper Bowl Sunday

Volunteers are needed to either prepare a pot of soup or chili, or to bake cookies or brownies! If you are not fond of cooking we can always use help with set-up and/or clean-up. Whatever your talents are, join us that day for fellowship and fun. The donations we collect this day help support the Hunger Fund. To volunteer contact Mona Stines at mona.stines@att.net or 404-936-8812.



CHURCH WEEK January 7-14, 2018

SUNDAY, January 21

8:30 AM - Handbell Rehearsal 9:30 AM - Church School

10:25 AM - Children's Choirs Rehearsal

11:00 AM - Morning Worship 12:00 PM - By-Laws Committee Meeting

TUESDAY, January 23

10:00 PM - Staff Meeting 11:00 AM - Worship Planning

WEDNESDAY, January 24 10:30 AM - Pastor's Morning Bible Study

THURSDAY, January 25

6:45 PM - Church in Conference 7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, January 28

8:30 AM - Handbell Rehearsal 9:30 AM - Church School

10:25 AM - Children's Choirs Rehearsal 11:00 AM - Morning Worship

12:15 PM - Souper Bowl Lunch

TUESDAY, January 30 10:00 AM - Staff Meeting

11:00 AM - Worship Planning WEDNESDAY, January 31

10:30 AM - Pastor's Morning Bible Study THURSDAY, February 1

7:00 PM - Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Pastoral Reflections

By Rev. Daniel Headrick

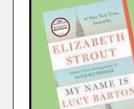
" I Am Not Yet Discouraged"



Scan the headlines and try not to be discouraged. This is our task. I struggle with that, and so I offer this remedy: draw comfort and inspiration from holy texts and profound thinkers. The lectionary epistle reading from 1 Corinthians for this coming Sunday has Paul in his favorite mood: apocalyptic. A new set of interpersonal and social relationships are now warranted "[f]or the present form of this world is passing away." With the threat of nuclear war again raising its ugly head, with every tweet and news alert sending a frisson of anticipated calamity, we may feel as if the world is indeed passing away. But Paul's hope was in the coming eschatological kingdom of Jesus, not in nuclear annihilation. His hope was in a kingdom of peace, not nuclear winter. The temptation of violence is to reduce our ethical decision making to kill or be killed. Paul's temptation—far more laudatory—was to imagine that Jesus was coming back today. Imagine what a difference that would make in our ethical understanding?

Writing almost 58 years ago in *The Christian Century*, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. reflected on the power of nonviolence. "In a day when sputniks dash through outer space and guided ballistic missiles are carving highways of death through the stratosphere, nobody can win a war. The choice today is no longer between violence and nonviolence. It is either nonviolence or nonexistence." He wrote that in April 1960. In a few months, the Cuban Missile Crisis would unfold, the hostilities in Vietnam would explode, and in three short years, the President of the United States would be shot down by an assassin.

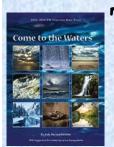
But King had already faced systemic oppression, racism, violence, and injustice by 1960. It was not as if he were writing as a young naïf, awaiting the older generation's "just you wait" condescension so he could become cynical like them. His embrace of nonviolence and his opposition to the war in Vietnam grew more strident in the years leading up to his tragic death. He wrote this by way of conclusion: "In spite of the tensions and uncertainties of our age something profoundly meaningful has begun. Old systems of exploitation and oppression are passing away and new systems of justice and equality are being born. In a real sense, ours is a great time in which to be alive. Therefore I am not yet discouraged about the future." We are invited to join the Apostle Paul and Dr. King in the distinctly Christian view of time and justice. This present world—with its sinful systems of injustice and oppression—is passing away. How might we stand in the gap as heaven and earth crash together, standing for nonviolence and justice in a world which has little patience for either? With God's help, I am not yet discouraged about the future.



NDBC BOOK CLUB

will meet on February 21, 2018. in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00 PM.

Author: Elizabeth Strout **Facilitator:** Billie Davis **Hostess:** Jane Lamkin



The Art & Soul

Class

Begin a New Study
Come to the Waters

January21: Liz Harris-Lamkin presents Birthing Waters-Creation; Scripture Genesis 1:1-2:4

January 28: James Lamkin presents Life-giving Waters-Baptism; Scripture Matthew 3:13-17

February 4: Syd Janney presents Absence of Water-Thirst; Scripture Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 42:1-2; Psalm 63:1; John 19:28

February 11: Cathy Wooten presents

Dangerous Waters-God's Deliverance;

Scripture Joshua 3; Psalm 69:1-3

Steve Sheeley will begin the 6 sessions for Lent entitled "Dust to Dawn: A Lenten Journey" beginning on February 18, 2018 in the Art & Soul Room.



Would you like to donate flowers for the sanctuary? The cost is \$100, or you can share the cost with someone. If you are interested, please call Nancy F. Davis at 404-252-9154.

A WORD ABOUT BAD WEATHER

AND THE CHURCH

As a rule of thumb, we will not cancel worship services on Sunday morning except under the most extreme weather conditions. Members are urged to use their own good judgment as to whether they should attempt to make the trip. Should inclement winter

weather cause the cancellation of a service, here is the plan:

- 1)The ministers and the moderator will make the decision.
- 2)The ministers and the moderator will notify the deacons.
- 3)The ministers will email all those on the church's email list, and place a notification on the church's voice mail (if electricity and phone service are available).

On Sunday, January 28 at 3:35 pm, our
Director of Music Ministries, Keith Walker, will
introduce a screening of the documentary
Dreaming of a Jewish Christmas during the
Atlanta Jewish Film Festival. The screening will
be held as the Regal Perimeter Pointe, 1155 Mt.
Vernon Highway, Atlanta, GA 30338. The
documentary is a celebration of Jewish American
songwriters such as Irving Berlin, Mel Torme' and
others who composed the soundtrack to the
holiday season. For info visit the festival website
at www.aiff.org.

Louise Davis is moving to South Carolina to live with her daughter, Patsy. Louise says her last day in worship will be around the first week of March. Consequently, we've set Sunday, Feb. 25 as a special day where we will honor her! She helped love our church into being, and has been loved by it ever since our birth 65 years ago. There will be more details upcoming, but we will use some of the 11:00 a.m. service as a "blessing and letting go." Then there will be a reception following. Also, please send cards and letters to the church office which we will present to her on that Sunday...and may read some aloud in the service. I have spoken with Louise about this and she is grateful and, of course, grieving. More later, but remember: save the date!



You are cordially invited to the annual

Valentine Luncheon

honoring NDBC retired members

Euesday, February 6, 2018,

at noon, in the Fellowship Hall

RSVP by February 1 to Barbara Atchley 770-436-0709 or atchley2005@gmail.com

Mr. Hal Meeks will be entertaining us as he brings music from the 50's & 60's.



32nd Annual Women's Retreat
April 26-29, 2018
Blue Boar Retreat
Robbinsville, North Carolina

SPACE & TIME ARE LIMITED

Reservation deadline is Sunday, February 25, 2018.Make your reservation with a \$100.00 Deposit (made out to Joyce Wilson). Give your deposit to Joyce Wilson or Virginia Gilbert.

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