



Northside Drive Baptist Church

3100 Northside Drive NW

Atlanta, GA 30305

Little Free Library Andrew P. Stewart Center

Did you know that there are over 50,000 Little Free Libraries? This free book exchange (think-- take a book with no check out, no late fees or even a need to return) provides easy access to books in all neighborhoods. Thanks to the efforts of Susan Harlan and her daughter Molly Aziz, the Andrew P. Stewart Center now has its own Little Free Library. How can you help? The center needs books for all ages, but especially for children. If you have gently used books, please bring them to the church. Questions? Contact Susan Harlan at 770-377-3869.



Tender Loving Prayer List

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

Jack & Joey Guynn
Nelle Holbrook
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.



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.

October Birthdays

Jennifer D'Amato-2
Bess Goodhead-2
James Goodhead-2
Caroline Goodhead-2
Jim Hermance-3
LaDonna Foxworth-3
Dick Underwood-3
Camden Armsby-4
Larry Prince, Sr-4
Mona Stines-6
Addie Cook-7
Geneva Almeida-9
Lindsey Bryson-10
Carolyn Herndon-10
Louise Davis-13
Abigail Knight-13
Valarie Waters-13
Barbara Atchley-14
Mike Fletcher-14
Billie Davis-15
Stuart Meeks-15
Joe Schneider-15
Helen White-15
Susan Harlan-16
Marie Nelson-16
Dianne DaLee-17
Sloan Mudd-17
Bruce Dick-19
Janna Chandler-20
Nelle Holbrook-21
Michael Sardone-21
Dot Houston-23
Triston King-24
Cassandra McAllister-25
Hartwell Dew-28
Christopher Davis-31
Jordan Davis-31

CHURCH WEEK

19th Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, October 15

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

TUESDAY, October 17

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

WEDNESDAY, October 18

10:30 AM - Pastor's Morning Bible Study
1:00 PM - Book Club

THURSDAY, October 19

6:45 PM - Church in Conference
7:00 PM - Prayer Shawl Ministry
7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Lost and Found - in church office!



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 janiermeeks@gmail.com. In addition, committee members are David Cook, Brian Knight, George Taylor, and Dave Wooten.

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



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The PINNACLE



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BAPTIST CHURCH

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The Sanctuary Choir Welcomes New Staff Singers

As the Sanctuary Choir has returned to the choir loft, we welcome three new staff singers and one returning staff singer. All of our staff singers will be featured on Gaudete Sunday (December 17) when the Sanctuary Choir will present *Oratorio de Noël*, Op. 12, by Camille Saint-Saëns.



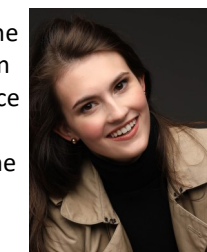
Evan Drew, Bass, is a recent graduate of Oglethorpe University with a double major in English and Philosophy. Evan is currently a tutor with C2 Tutoring and is planning to begin law school in the Fall 2018. Evan is originally from Albany, GA where he started singing in the Westover High School chorus and with the Porterfield United Methodist Church Choir. He sang with the Oglethorpe University Singers for four years, and was baritone/tenor section leader during his senior year.

Jenna Gould, Soprano, graduated cum laude from Davidson College with a BA in Music and French. Jenna has performed several opera roles and is an avid choral singer. She sings also with Festival Singers of Atlanta. She is passionate about early music and supporting local artists in the Atlanta arts community. Jenna is currently transitioning to a career in arts administration.



Shantá Johnson, Alto, has returned to the Atlanta area from Chicago after completing a master's degree in Vocal Performance at Northern Illinois University. Shanta has studied at Clark Atlanta University, Cleveland Institute of Music, and Mannes College. In 2016, she sang the role of Strawberry Woman in a performance of *Porgy and Bess* during the Spoleto Festival in Charleston, SC.

We welcome back, **Katherine Carey**, Soprano. A Louisiana native, Katherine recently graduated from Oglethorpe University with a Bachelor's degree in English & Comparative Literature and a minor in Shakespeare & Renaissance Studies. While at Oglethorpe, she was an active member of the campus community, and was especially involved in the Theatre Department and the Oglethorpe University Singers & Chorale as a soloist and section leader. Katherine currently works full-time as the Programs & Digital Marketing Coordinator for Girl Talk, Inc., a national nonprofit organization serving middle school and high school-age girls through peer-to-peer mentoring and leadership development.



NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

Rev. Dr. James Lamkin
Pastor
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Anna Kate Stephenson
Director of Children's Ministries
Jeffrey Dunkerley
Director of Youth & Young Adults
Rose Hilday
Business Manager
Will Mathews
Administrative Manager
Joleen Neel
Preschool Director
Gregory Colson
Director Emeritus of Music Ministries

Sunday Morning Worship Lectionary Text

October 15
Exodus 32:1-14
Philippians 4:1-7
Matthew 22:10-14

October 22
Exodus 33:18-23
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22



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Pastoral Reflections

“Praise Band? Sure...As Long as There Is a Lament Choir”

By James Lamkin



Praise Bands are big deals these days. Many churches use them. There are a lot of reasons why: cheaper cost, an avoidance of church music politics, and they are always upbeat. Yes, sometimes you’ve just got to clap your hands, raise your arms, and dance.

I think the biblical psalmists would have endorsed praise bands; but, they would have done so with a caveat. “Clap your hands you people, clap your hands, shout to God with loud songs of joy (Psalm 47), they would say. “However, alongside the praise band, you must also have a lament choir.”

Read the Psalms. At least half of them contain laments. That percentage makes sense and matches life experience.

There’s a lot of good in life to praise God for. But, life is not all good. Children die. Innocent are shot. Earthquakes upturn. Cancer returns. Floods drown. Depression happens. The Earth is abused, along with people. Grief is real.

Per the psalmists, all of this...all of life...is grist for the mill of worship. In fact, without the pain alongside the praise, then worship is like icing on a balloon. Happy, but hollow.

Full-bodied worship is what the biblical writers were after. Not just a cerebral cogitation on theology. Not just euphoria that gets us in a happy mood. They insisted on wholehearted worship that names heartbreaking grief, as well as heartwarming gratitude.

This past Sunday, we lamented. The cumulative effect of the week’s griefs begged to be prayed: from the cries of thirsty Puerto Rico, to the bloody smell of smoking guns in Las Vegas, to the fears felt in the heart of each family.

Our Sanctuary Choir helped us lament. Their repetitive plea to God, between antiphonal prayers, named our pain.

Like the poet, Robert Bly used to say, “If Abraham Lincoln had been president during the Vietnam War, he would have gotten on TV and moaned: ‘Ahhhhhhhhhh!’”

Along with crying-out, I mentioned *Outcry*. It is a Trinity Presbyterian based, interfaith group committed to making communities safe from gun violence. Check us out: outcrygeorgia.org.

On Sunday, we followed the psalmists’ advice. We brought our grief to God; yet, with lumps in our throats we sang our gratitude, too. By worship’s end, the choir had led us from lamentation to celebration. We walked-out singing...

*Thus, evermore shall rise to thee
glad **hymns of praise** from land and sea.*

And all God’s people said, “Amen.”

Triple E

The next meeting of Triple E
will be on

Tuesday, November 14

At 11:00 AM

in the fellowship hall.

The program will be
CATCH-UP to Fitness.

This will be a nutrition, education, and
fitness class based on *Oasis CATCH
Healthy Habits* program.



NDBC BOOK CLUB

Meets Wednesday
October 18, 2017
in the
Fellowship Hall at
1:00 p.m.

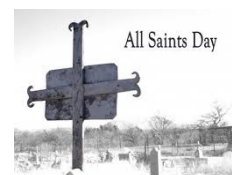
Author: Jaqueline Woodson

Facilitator: Carolyn Mahaffey

Hostess: Nancy F. Davis

All Saints Sunday

The following will be
remembered during the
worship service on
Sunday, November 5, 2017.



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Dot Clark	Kenneth Boone	
Marjorie Rives	Fay Brewer	Jane Fitzgerald
Mary Dutton	Betty Colson	Susan Pearson
J L Jerden	Charley Joyner	

If you know of a church member, or staff member,
that has died since All Saints Day 2016, please notify
the church office by emailing
will@northsidedrive.org or calling 404-237-8621
by noon on Wednesday, November 1, 2017.



**2017 NW Interfaith
Habitat for Humanity Build
NDBC's 25th Year!**




The other work days are:

- October 29th
- November 4th
- November 11th
- November 18th
- December 2nd or 3rd

December 9th—Home Dedication

Sign up is ongoing.



The Art & Soul Class

October 22: “The” Reformation and Other Myths: what do we
get wrong, and why does it matter?

October 29: Conciliarism to Conflict: How should religious and
biblical authority guide the church? Corbin Boekhaus

The 25th Anniversary

NDBC Habitat for Humanity Build Anniversary Luncheon
will be November 12, 2017 at 12:15 PM
in the Fellowship Hall.

RSVP to church office by Noon on Thursday, November 9.
Compliments of the Mission Committee.



THE WORK CONTINUES.

The
renovations in the
undercroft are
underway.



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- 10 things people with disabilities wish you knew
- The human genome and Genesis
- Singles: love ‘em or lose ‘em

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NORTHSIDE DRIVE
BAPTIST CHURCH**



ANNUAL TRUNK-OR-TREAT

**COME AND JOIN US FOR
HOT DOGS, CHIPS, DRINKS, (\$2.00 PER PERSON FOR
THE MEAL) TREATS, BOUNCE HOUSES,
PUMPKIN PAINTING, AND
MAYBE A FEW TRICKS!
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
5-6:30 PM**



Church In Conference

Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 6:45 PM.

**Church ministry teams will provide
reports and updates. Also, the
Finance Committee will present the
Proposed Budget for 2018.**