



Northside Drive Baptist Church

3100 Northside Drive NW

Atlanta, GA 30305

Interfaith Habitat Gratitude



Dear Northside Drive Baptist Church; Please know that Northside Drive Baptist Church's recent gift of \$7,743 through the 2017 Northwest Interfaith Build does amazing things: it enables working families and neighborhoods to thrive in Atlanta. When someone becomes an AtlantaHabitat for Humanity homeowner, that achievement is foundational to creating many other dreams—from advancing education, to earning job promotions, starting a business and much more. Thank you for your generosity.

Lisa Y. Gordon, CPA

President and CEO Atlanta Habitat for Humanity



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.

Jon & Janet Bell
Reidar Bjornard
Gerry Humphries

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.

November Birthdays

Claire Blackwell-1
Grace Collins-1
Laurie Nickless-2
Debbie Thoreson-6
Sylvia Dick-7
Robert Schwartz-7
Elizabeth Dew-7
Nancy de Jonge Davis-8
Mary Frances Headrick-8
Dr. Gordon Davis-9
Dr. Larry McSwain-10
Joel Stouffer-10
Mathilde Boekhaus-10
Emma Martin-11
Shelia Nicol-13
Herb Avery-14
Kurt Thomas-15
Dr. Tom Vander Ven-18
Benjamin Schleicher-19
Louisa Schleicher-19
Beverly Allen-20
Conda Abbott-21
Ted Clyatt-22
Greg Hawkins-23
Mary Margaret von Herbenstein-23
Kristin Youngquist-24
Dr. Jenney Headrick-25
George Smathers-26
Teri Rhodes-28
Dr. Reidar Bjornard-29 (100th)
Annaleigh Gregg-30

CHURCH WEEK

October 29—November 4, 2017

Reformation Sunday

SUNDAY, October 29

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

TUESDAY, October 31

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

WEDNESDAY, November 1

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

THURSDAY, November 2

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

SATURDAY, November 4

8:00 AM - Habitat Build Day



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.

Thank you

From Jo Hunter

Dear Church,

Thank you so much for all your many cards. Also the flowers and visits. I enjoy them so very much. I appreciate your love and prayers. Love to all.



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The PINNACLE



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BAPTIST CHURCH

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NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

Rev. Dr. James Lamkin
Pastor
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 Hilday
Business Manager
Will Mathews
Administrative Manager
Joleen Neel
Preschool Director
Gregory Colson
Director Emeritus of Music Ministries

Harpist Nella Rigell joins us for Worship on All Saints Sunday November 5, 2017



Nella Rigell has enjoyed an active career as an orchestral harpist, chamber musician, recording artist, and teacher, performing in concert halls from Carnegie Hall to the Grand Ole Opry. As principal harpist with the Atlanta Ballet Orchestra for twenty-seven years, her orchestral experiences also includes having played second harp with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and principal harpist with the Atlanta Opera Orchestra for eleven years.

Winter of the 1979 Atlanta Chamber Orchestra Concerto Competition, Ms. Rigell has performed with such diverse orchestras as the Theatre of the Stars, Chattanooga, Savannah, Dekalb, and Cobb Symphony Orchestra, Spoleto Festival, Atlanta Lyric Theatre, Johns Creek Symphony Orchestra, Gwinnett Philharmonic, Mississippi Symphony, Atlanta Pops Orchestra, the North Georgia Symphony, as well as other regional orchestras. (from Ms. Rigell's website).

As is our tradition, Ms. Rigell will join us and share her talent during worship on All Saints' Sunday, November 5, 2017. Please make plans to join us for this service of remembrance.

Sunday Morning Worship Lectionary Text

October 29
Deuteronomy 34:1-12
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

November 5
Joshua 3:7-17
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Matthew 23:1-12



We're On the Web!

www.northsidedrive.org

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

Pastoral Reflections

By Rev. Daniel Headrick



The Mercy Rule

One time, Jesus was having dinner with tax collectors and sinners, and some Pharisees raised a commotion with Jesus' disciples. They asked, "Why is he eating with those guys?" That's my own rough translation. Jesus heard about it soon enough and remarked "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." (Matthew 9:12-13).

I think he's speaking to us, don't you? Go and learn what this means, I desire mercy, not sacrifice. We can do sacrifice just fine, but mercy? Forget about it. The righteous are always in favor of the system of sacrifice because that can be mastered, domesticated, and controlled. The righteous can codify their rituals, prescribe orthodox forms and techniques, and control who approaches the altar and under what conditions. But mercy...oh mercy, that's hard to do. And mercy, Jesus says, that's for sinners.

I remember watching a high school Texas football game where the score was 50-0 by the second quarter. The team called it quits at half time. Why? The school division had something called the mercy rule. That's where the game automatically ends when one team reaches a certain score threshold. This may explain why Georgia only beat Tennessee by 41 points this year.

The book of James tells us that "mercy triumphs over judgment." That's good news, because if judgment carries the day, we're all in a pile of trouble. But the logic of our culture is that of no mercy. It's like that scene in *Gladiator* when the emperor lowers his thumb, signaling the violent destruction of the contestant. Our national culture is kind of like one big *Gladiator* game, and we tune in to see who is being devoured by the lions today. In our politics and social media, shame and humiliation are the order of the day, not mercy.

So this explains the Pharisees' horror at seeing a rabbi eat with sinners. It had never occurred to them to show mercy to sinners. Their paradigm admitted of only one rule: exclusion of the impure. Eating with sinners violated their system of sacrificial purity. The righteous cannot be contaminated by sinners. There's not much room for mercy when you spend most of your time deciding who is in and who is out. But Jesus just had to act like... well...Jesus. And Jesus came to call sinners. And sinners apparently need mercy. I know I do. Do you?

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
November 15, 2017
in the
Fellowship Hall at
1:00 p.m.

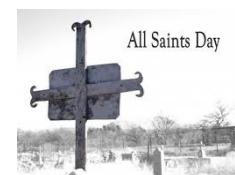
Author: Zora Neale Hurston

Facilitator: Jane Lamkin

Hostess: Billie 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	Ailene Jackson

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:



November 4th

November 11th

November 18th

December 2nd or 3rd

December 9th—Home Dedication

Sign up is ongoing.



The Art & Soul Class

November 5: **Jordan Clark** presents: *Sacred or Profane? An art historian's view of Renaissance and Reformation perspectives.*

November 12: **Corbin Boekhaus** presents: *The Reformation Heritage: How did reform movements help shape modernity?*

November 19: **Jada Getsay** presents: *In Community with the Tradition of the Past*, lesson 5 in Hebrews study,

November 26: **Daniel Headrick** presents: *In Community with the Reality of the Present*, lesson 6 in Hebrews study,

December 10: **Mary Lester** presents: *In Community with the Hope of the Future*, lesson 7 in Hebrews study,

December 17: **Hartwell Dew** presents: *In Community with the Household of Faith*, lesson 8 in Hebrews study,

January 7: **Hartwell Dew** presents: *In Community with All the Saints*, lesson 9 in Hebrews study,



THE WORK CONTINUES.

The renovations in the undercroft are underway.



Visit: baptistnews.com

This month's topics include:

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

Pick up your copy of the Baptist News Global Herald in the Education Building or in the Narthex.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
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!
THIS AFTERNOON
5-6:30 PM



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.