

Northside Drive Baptist Church

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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.



The TLP is a Diaconate ministry. Each week's list contains the

Prayer List

rotating names of three or four NDBC senior adults.

> Greg Colson Louise Davis Nancy F. Davis

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

17th Sunday after Pentecost

10:25 AM - Children's Choir Rehearsal

10:30 AM - Pastor's Morning Bible Study

7:30 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you should change your phone number,

church office to let us know. Thank you.

email, or mailing address, Please contact the

8:30 AM - Handbell Rehearsal

9:30 AM – Church School

11:00 AM – Morning Worship

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

WEDENESDAY, October 4

THURSDAY, October 7

CHURCH WEEK

SUNDAY, October 1

TUESDAY, October 3



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.



October Birthdays

Jennifer D'Amato-2

Bess Goodhead-2

James Goodhead-2

Jim Hermance-3

Caroline Goodhead-2

LaDonna Foxworth-3

Dick Underwood-3

Camden Armsby-4

Larry Prince, Sr-4

Geneva Almeida-9

Lindsey Bryson-10

Louise Davis-13

Abigail Knight-13

Valarie Waters-13

Barbara Atchlev-14

Mike Fletcher-14

Stuart Meeks-15

Joe Schneider-15

Helen White-15

Susan Harlan-16

Marie Nelson-16

Dianne DaLee-17

Janna Chandler-20

Nelle Holbrook-21

Dot Houston-23

Triston King-24

Hartwell Dew-28

Jordan Davis-31

Christopher Davis-31

Michael Sardone-21

Cassandra McAllister-25

Sloan Mudd-17

Bruce Dick-19

Billie Davis-15

Carolyn Herndon-10

Mona Stines-6

Addie Cook-7

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.





Thank you to Northside Drive Baptist Church for your calls, visits, prayers, and cards for our mother, Dot Clark. Many thanks and much appreciation for the wonderful reception. The Family of Mrs. Dorothy (Dot) Clark

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





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Dr. Keith H. Walker Director of Music Ministries Anna Kate Stephenson Director of Children's Ministries Jeffrey Dunkerley Director of Youth & Young Adults Rose Hidlav **Business Mana** Will Mathews Administrative Manage Joleen Neel Preschool Director **Gregory Colson** Director Emeritus of Music Ministries

Sunday Morning Worship Lectionary Text October 1 Exodus 17:1-7 Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 21:28-32





The 65th Anniversary Luncheon was a HUGE success. We had 115 adults and children in attendance! Many thanks to the people who made this event possible (Gail Hermance, Barbara Atchley, Nancy F. Davis, Susan Dew, Carolyn Herndon, Beverly Allen, Virginia Gilbert, and Cheryl Dewell).





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Celebrating 65 Years Strong & Faithful



Pastoral Reflections

Bv Daniel Headrick

Into the Wilderness



I got one of those new electronic

watches for my birthday last year. Every now and then it makes a small vibratory hum, and it says "Breathe." I take it that we live in a troubled age when our watches must tell us to breathe. The battery ran out today, so I left the watch at home. Traded it in for an old-timey watch, you know, the kind that has roman numerals and the date. I felt that vibratory rhythm, and looked down, but there was no word about breathing. I realized that I'd become so accustomed to that sensation, that I imagined it was still occurring.

People who are so used to feeling their smart phones vibrate often report detecting a vibration when in fact, none has occurred. This is called "phantom vibration syndrome" according to Wikipedia, the most trusted source on the Internet for those who don't want to chase down peer reviewed studies. I think the double-edged sword of our technological obsession is making us more anxious. Yes, we are more connected. But, we are over-connected.

We need to retreat to what, in the imaginative texture of Christian spirituality, might be called a wilderness space. In the wilderness, we won't get a Wi-Fi signal. In the wilderness, we can't check email. In the wilderness, all we have is ourselves, and God's self. I've often wondered why the Holy Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness at the beginning of his ministry. I think it may be because, as one of our Wednesday morning Bible study participants ventured, "it's quiet out there." In the wilderness, we can remove ourselves from crowds, and emails, and phone calls, and text messages, and television.

Last year Jenney and I travelled with a group of seminarians to Christ in the Desert Monastery in Abiqui, New Mexico. You have to want to get there. By the time we arrived, there was no signal on the phone. The night air was rich with the susurrant hymns of insects and the flowing river. The stars were illuminated with no light pollution in the sky. And for a week, we prayed and read and laughed and ate together with the group. had felt an encroaching darkness in my own life in the week leading up to that trip. But at the end of it, I realized I had been to the wilderness and was changed.

We don't have to drive to the desert to get that. We can find that in the sanctuary, on the jogging path, by the stream, at our kitchen table. Take off that electronic watch. Hide the cell phone. Remember to breathe, because apparently we need to be reminded. And wait and listen for that still, small voice.

Triple **E**

Triple **E** will meet on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

> This month's topic: A Centenarian's Story:

Dr. Reidar Bjornard

Bring a friend and \$5.00 for lunch.

NDBC BOOK CLUB



Begins this Wednesday October 18, 2017 & will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00 p.m.

Author: Jaqueline Woodson Facilitator: Carolyn Mahaffey

Hostess: Nancy F. Davis



Prayer Shawl Ministry

We are starting our 5th Fall Season Thursday, October 5th 7:00 PM Church Parlor (upstairs) **Light refreshments served**

Have you ever wanted to learn to knit or crochet? We can teach you! We meet the 1st & 3rd Thursday each month to make prayer shawls for our church members in need. We have yarn and needles to get

you started. Hope to see you there! Have questions? Contact Susan Harlan 770-377-3869 or Gail Hermance 404-625-1531.



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

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Mark your calendars for the 2017 NW Atlanta Interfaith for Habitat for Humanity build. This year marks the 25th year Northside Drive Baptist Church has participated. (More in celebration of this in the coming weeks!)

This year's build begins October 14th with the dedication on December 19th.

October 14th will be NDBC's Lead Day when we provide both workers and lunch. As in previous years, child care will be provided at the church on our Lead Day. The other work



October 29th November 4th November 11th November 18th December 2nd or

3rd

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December 9th—Home Dedication





IT HAS BEGUN.

We are having the church pressure washed. We are already noticing a huge difference. There will be renovations in the undercroft as well. Much work is to be done, but it is underway.

The Community is off to a great start. We have had COMMUNITY about six people each week so far. The curriculum focuses on current events in the news and how we as Christians, and we as a church, should respond to

these events. Please share this class with anyone who might be interested in coming. We meet in Room 201 at 9:45 on Sunday mornings. Be sure to thank Karen Massey, Daniel, and Jayde Rasband for helping teach this class. And coming off a summer of working non-stop on the young adult ministry, I wanted to pass this information along. One of the best ways we, as a church, can be welcoming to any guest, but especially young adults, is to remember their names. I am terrible with names so this is a challenge for me as well. But it says a lot to the young adults if people don't ask them if they are new every week or if everyone asks them their name even though they've been coming for almost a year. So, as we head into the season of fall, I challenge you to remember names as best you can. It starts with the leadership and if we make the effort then the rest of the congregation will follow.—Jefferey Dunkerley

NDBC Youth

The Bereans class is also off to a great start. We have enjoyed getting to know the youth more as we move along in class. We are focused on building connections to the biblical stories they have heard as children and applying it to their faith today. They are asking tough questions about faith in the world today,

which is great. Hopefully in the future we will have a lesson on worship with the Bereans to acclimate them to the acolyting program. Be sure to thank Gloria Smathers, Caitlyn Cook Furr, and Garrett Ray for helping out with this class. We are looking to plan an event with this group outside the church to further build relationships as we move forward. —Jeffery Dunkerley

We had a blast at our pizza party and play day after church a couple weeks ago! We ordered 9 pizzas and almost all of it was

gone. The kids played hard and were ready for naps afterwards! We are looking forward to more of our family events in the next month. —Anna Kate Stephenson



Church In Conference will meet on Thursday, October 19th.