

Northside Drive Baptist Church
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Tender Loving Prayer List

The TLP is a Diaconate ministry. The names for this month are listed below.

Billie Davis
Jo Hunter

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.

Meets on 1st Thursday and 3rd Thursday in the Parlor at 10:30 AM.



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.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS February 2020

Feb. 9—Church Council workshop in the Fellowship Hall

Feb. 11—Triple E Valentine Lunch @ 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Feb. 16—Bishop Malkhas Songulashvili will be with us

Feb. 17—Church Council Meeting @ 7:00 PM in the Art & Soul Room

Feb. 18—ROMEOS @ Noon @ Piccadilly

Feb. 23—Fat Tuesday Lunch after morning worship

Feb. 26—Ash Wednesday.

Imposition of ashes 7:30 AM-6:30 PM in the Chapel

Feb. 26—NDBC Book Club @ 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Feb. 26—Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:45 PM in the Chapel

Sunday Morning Worship Scriptures

February 2

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Micah 6:1-8
Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31
Matthew 5:1-12

February 9

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Isaiah 58:1-9a
Psalm 112:1-10

1 Corinthians 2:1-12(13-16)
Matthew 5:13-20

February 16

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9
Matthew 5:21-37

February 23

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Exodus 24:12-18
Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16-21
Matthew 17:1-9

These are the Lectionary Texts for the day, but the texts used in worship may vary.

February Birthdays

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

Lenten Devotionals

If you are interested in receiving a Lenten Devotional from Steve Sheeley, email him at:
stevenmsheeley@gmail.com

NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

Andrea Johnson
Director of Children's Ministries
Daniel Headrick
Associate Pastor
David Vaughns
Custodian
Gregory Colson
Director Emeritus of Music Ministries
James Lamkin
Pastor
Joleen Neel
Preschool Director
Keith H. Walker
Director of Music Ministries
Mary Lou Swann
Director of Children's Choirs
Melinda Clark
Organist
Nick Bonner
Custodian
Rose Hidlay
Business Office Manager
Will Mathews
Administrative Manager



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Triple E Valentine Luncheon

You Are Cordially Invited

to the annual

Valentine Luncheon

Honoring NDBC retired members

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Lunch and Program will begin at

12 o'clock noon

Fellowship Hall

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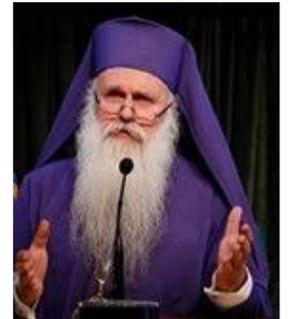


RSVP by February 6

Barbara Atchley
770-436-0709

Guest at NDBC on Sunday, February 16, 2020

We are hosting Reverend Dr. Malkhas Songulashvili, the Metropolitan Bishop of the Evangelical Baptist Church of the Republic of Georgia on Sunday, February 16, 2020. He is the Bishop of the Tbilisi Peace Cathedral.



Bishop Malkhas is the guest of Mercer University's Political Science Department. While in the U.S., he will be speaking at Smokerise Baptist Church, Calvary Baptist in D.C., and several others. The Evangelical Baptist Church of the Republic of Georgia is a partner of the Alliance of Baptists with whom NDBC is a member congregation.

Paula Clayton Dempsey says Malkhas is "... excellent in the pulpit and a terrific people person."

Schedule for February 16:

9:30 AM-Malkhas will meet with the Art & Soul Class. All church school classes are invited.

11:00 AM-Malkhas will preach in the worship service.

12:15 PM- Free lunch 'n Learn in the Fellowship Hall hosted by the Missions Ministry Team & the Art & Soul Class.

Let the church office know if you will be joining us for this FREE lunch!

Pastoral Reflections
"A Season Between"
 By James Lamkin



A month ago, it was still *Christmas*. A month from now, it will be *Lent*. In between, we look and listen for God.

Amid the recent holidays, Will and Allison got married, then Chris and Melissa. Babies and grandbabies were born in the congregation's families. We laid to rest Barney Moore. New members joined: Jessie and Pricilla. 2019 finished financially strong. 2020 began even stronger, due to faithful pledging and spiritual stewardship. As Advent arrived, the sanctuary's heater died. Flower and parament teams, plus volunteers, quickly shifted Christmas from one sacred space to another; and all the musicians presented *Handel's Messiah, Part I* in the nick of time. Keith and Melinda and the whole choir raised the roof and worked an Advent miracle. We had a bumper crop of kids for Christmas Eve Vespers, followed by midnight communion, carols, and candlelight. By the time I flipped the last light switch in the wee hours of December 25th, I smiled and thanked God for one of the "best Christmases ever."

Soon enough, it will be time to stumble toward the shadow of Good Friday's cross. But, not yet.

Between now and then, we await the new cupula and cross atop the sanctuary. We anticipate the new boiler in the undercroft. We celebrate the progress on the pavilion "for all ages."

But, in between, we ponder.

A lot of ponderous news and views pile on our plates between Sundays as the bigger world overshadows us. Seemingly, the capacity for vulnerable conversation is low; and the volume of distraction is high. Sounds like death throes to me. Or maybe labor pains? Or both.

Every biblical prophet straddled a dying/birthing world. They did, because God does, too.

Over and over, the prophets warned about giving a casual nod to God...while at the same time leapfrogging over poverty systems, immigrants, endangered persons, and holy hospitality. Turns out: spirituality requires a confession of sin, so as to make room for a profession of faith.

There is a season between Christmas and Lent. It is Epiphany; and the Magi are its spokespersons. With starlight above, they search below. Longing and lament are every pilgrim's constant companions.

As 2020 begins, we join their journey. We give thanks that God, "hath brought us safe thus far." And we stand on hope's tiptoes, trusting that God will "lead us home."

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THANK YOU FROM THE MISSIONS TEAM....



Thank you for your generous support for the 2019 Christmas giving projects. From Christmas hams for dozens of families served through the ministry of the Andrew P. Stewart Center in the Pittsburg community of Atlanta, to books, toys, and gift cards for the youth who are residents of Morningstar in Brunswick, to linens and toiletries for the men and women who live at the Extension and Crafton Centers in Marietta, your gifts helped bring the joy and true spirit of Christmas.



Welcome to Our Newest Members

Jessie Bruno joined NDBC on January 5, 2020. Jessie grew up in Roswell, GA with her mom, dad, and younger brother. Her church home growing up was Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church. She attended the University of Georgia for both undergrad and graduate school, receiving degrees in Journalism, International Affairs and a

Masters of Public Administration. She currently lives in Buckhead and works downtown for the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning where she does early childhood research and policy analysis. She loves traveling and has been to Europe on several occasions as well as China and Japan. She also loves reading, watching TV and movies, and is always happy to provide recommendations!



We welcome Rev. Dr. Priscilla Eppinger as NDBC's newest member who joined on January 26, 2020. She is the Executive Director of the American Baptist Historical Society located on the Mercer University campus in Atlanta. Formerly, she was the Professor of Religion at Graceland University Community of Christ Seminary in Lamon, Iowa. She received her BA

from Agnes Scott College, an M.Div. at Andover Newton Theological School, and a PhD from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. She has served as an American Baptist Church missionary to Zaire and on staff for the American Baptist Home Mission Societies. As an ordained minister, she served churches in Massachusetts and Illinois. She is part of NDBC's Art and Soul Church School Class, sings in our Sanctuary Choir, and frequently is a worship leader.

Lent / Palm Sunday / Easter Calendar

February 26—Imposition of Ashes 7:30 AM-6:30PM in the Chapel

February 26—Ash Wednesday Service
6:45 PM in the Chapel

March 5-April 2—Thursday Lenten Service
Service is at 6:45 PM in the Chapel

April 5—Palm Sunday
Morning Worship at 11:00 AM in the Chapel

April 9—Maundy Thursday Service
Service will be at 6:45 PM in the Chapel

April 10—Good Friday Service
Service will be from Noon—2:00 PM

April 12—Easter Sunday
Morning Worship at 11:00 AM
Children's Easter Egg Hunt at 12:15 PM on the Sanctuary Grounds

All church members invited:

FEBRUARY 23, 2020 | 12:15 PM

FAT TUESDAY LUNCHEON

Kick off Lent in Mardi Gras style with a luncheon catered by Waffle House! Crafts, devotionals, and the Imposition of ashes will be offered for all children & members.

RSVP: andrea@northsidedrive.org, or 404-237-8621



ROMEOS will meet on Tuesday, February 18 @ Noon @ Piccadilly in Marietta. For more information call Posey Starkey at 404-904-0890.

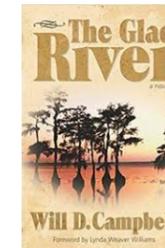


Meets Tuesday, February 11 @ 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

The program will be our Annual Valentines Lunch as we recognize our NDBC retirees.

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WE WILL BEGIN with the program and lunch AT NOON!



NDBC Book Club
Wednesday, February 26 @ 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

The featured book is:

The Glad River

Author: Will D. Campbell

Facilitator: Billie Davis

Hostess: Robbye Taylor



Church Council

will meet on Monday, February 17 at 7:00 PM in the Art & Soul Room



34th Annual Women's Retreat April 16-19, 2020 (You can decide to come on Thursday or Friday.)

Blue Boar Retreat at Lake Santeelah Robbinsville, North Carolina. Excellent meals provided. Very relaxing with time to visit, read, play games, canoe in lake, etc. Many enjoy hiking and a picnic in nearby Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest.

Communion service on Sunday morning
Reservation deadline: February 16, 2020
 Make your reservation with \$150 deposit. Make your check out to Joyce Wilson. Give the check to Joyce.

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