## Welcome

We are a faith community that loves deeply, serves generously, and welcomes openly all God's children to join us on a journey of faith and faithfulness.

No matter who you are, no matter your circumstances, you can be fully known and fully loved at Northside Drive.

#### **Core Practices**

#### **INCLUSIVE**

We welcome the equal participation of all people in all parts of the church, including leadership.

#### **INQUIRING**

We ask questions that challenge our understanding of God and the way God works in the world.

#### **INVOLVED**

We serve our community beyond the church's walls. We value relationships with church members and those who will never step foot in the church.

#### **New Member Welcome**

As members of Northside Drive Baptist Church, we welcome you as you join us in this adventure of faith and faithful community. We offer you our love, our history, and our hope. We value your story of faith and invite you to serve with us as stewards of God's grace.

## Connect

We want to hear from you! How can we pray for you and connect you with meaningful ministry opportunities? Scan the QR code and complete a connect card.



### **Ministry Staff**

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MACK BEVERLY, Guest Organist

## The Pocket Pinnacle

Our weekly newsletter is called The Pinnacle. Sign up and read more at northsidedrive.org/the-pinnacle.

### **Annual Super Bowl of Caring**

February 2, 2025 | Fellowship Hall

Are you ready to enjoy some of JB Gilbert's Cheesy
Chili or Susan Dew's Cornbread? Mark your calendars to join us in the
Fellowship Hall at 12:15 PM on February 2 to enjoy a variety of your
favorite soups and chilies and to donate to our Hunger Fund.

If you are willing to prepare a crock pot of soup or chili or bring a finger dessert, please sign up in the Narthex or contact Barbara Atchley at atchley2005@gmail.com or 404-310-9635.

### **Upcoming Events** | northsidedrive.org/events

Wednesday Bible Study January 15 | 10:30 AM | Room 202/Hybrid Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal January 15 | 7:00 PM | Choir Room Third Thursday Gathering January 16 | 10:00 AM | Room 204 Church Office Closed for MLK Day January 20 | All Day | NDBC Office Church Council Meeting January 20 | 7:00 PM | Online Church in Conference January 26 | 12:15 PM | Sanctuary Souper Bowl of Caring February 2 | 12:15 PM | Fellowship Hall No Deacons' Meeting | February 2

**Holy Happy Hour** February 5 | 5:00 PM | RoundTrip Brewing **Triple E: Valentine Luncheon** February 11 | 12:00 PM | Fellowship Hall



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## The Preparation for Worship

"Baptism is not just a one-time event. It is a lifetime process. It is both an expression of faith and a means of grace. It is a sign of the pledged life of faith in Jesus Christ and a seal of the new life in the Holy Spirit."

Curtis Freeman, Pilgrim Letters

## Baptism of the Lord Sunday

\* Please stand as you are able. The congregation speaks the text in **bold** type.

## The Approach

"Be still and know that I am God."

#### **PRELUDE**

The Newborn King | G. Martin

#### CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

#### INTROIT

God's Holy Ways Are Just and True LASST UNS ERFREUEN

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE 77

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | LOBE DEN HERREN

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God, who called all worlds into being, calls forth new life in us today.

We praise God, in whose creative purpose we are claimed and empowered.

God, whose Spirit calls all people to love, gifts us with boldness as we attempt to love one another.

We walk with Jesus, our Lord, Savior, and Brother into the waters of baptism.

**GATHERING** | Scott Hovey

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We identify with others who struggle with faith, but who are called to faithful living.

We confess that we do not always live the faith we claim. We do not love our neighbors and our enemies as Christ has commanded us. We ask for God's forgiveness. We pause for a moment of silent confession...

#### THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved in Christ, God is merciful and full of grace. We are forgiven. Rejoice in the gift of love that makes us whole.

Thanks be to God.

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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### The Word

"Blessed are they that hear the word of the Lord."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: ISAIAH 43:1-7 Cathy Wooten | Old Testament p. 672

#### MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**EPISTLE LESSON: ACTS 8:14-17**Don Janney | New Testament p. 126

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN | Sadaf Erastus

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 295
Breathe on Me, Breath of God | TRENTHAM

\*GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22 Cathy Wooten | New Testament p. 60

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** | Sandals | Scott Hovey

### The Response

"Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only."

# DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION 297
Spirit of the Living God | SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

# CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH & INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

#### **OFFERING**

Please place offering in plate or text NDBCGIVE to "73256" followed by the amount.

#### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

Go Not Far From Me Oh God | N.A. Zingarelli

\*DOXOLOGY 808 | OLD HUNDREDTH

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | Scott Hovey

### The Commission

". . . and I will be with you always."

#### \*HYMN OF WITNESS 761

We Bless the Name of Christ the Lord | CANONBURY

\*BENEDICTION

#### **POSTLUDE**

*Noel* | L. Daquin

Cathy Wooten, Worship Leader Don Janney, Lay Reader Mack Beverly, Guest Organist

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