

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.



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The Pocket Pinnacle

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



Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch | March 2

Everyone is invited to enjoy a Mardi Gras luncheon after church on Sunday, March 2. To be festive, try to wear something purple, gold, or green!

We will be celebrating "Fat Tuesday on Sunday" with a pancake and bacon luncheon. There is no charge for this event but we do need a head count.

Please make your reservation by contacting Barbara Atchley at atchley2005@gmail.com | 404-310-9635 by Friday, February 28.

Hospitality Ministry Team

Ash Wednesday Service | March 5

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. This year Ash Wednesday is on March 5. Our Ash Wednesday service will be that evening at 6:30 in the Sanctuary.

Hope is Here! A Lenten Study Series

The season of Lent encompasses the 40 days before Easter Sunday. It is a time of spiritual preparation and inward reflection. It is a time of honest assessment and confession of our sins and shortcomings.

On our Lenten journey, I invite you to join me in reading and reflecting on the book *Hope is Here!* by Dr. Luther Smith, professor emeritus from Candler School of Theology. This book and the accompanying study guide will lead us through reflections and meditations in the season of Lent. We will meet at the church on Wednesdays in Lent (beginning on March 12) at 6:00PM. The cost of the book is \$10. Let me know if you are interested.

Scott Hovey

Upcoming Events | northsidedrive.org/events

Children's Ministry Team Meeting Today | 12:30 PM | Parlor

Wednesday Bible Study February 26 | 10:30 AM | Room 202/Hybrid

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal February 26 | 7:00 PM | Choir Room

Kiddos Expansion Forum February 27 | 6:00 PM | Chapel

Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch March 2 | 12:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

Called Church-in-Conference March 2 | 1:00 PM

Ash Wednesday Service March 5 | 6:30 PM | Sanctuary

Worship & Music Ministry Team Meeting March 9 | 12:15 PM
Conference Room



Northside Drive

BAPTIST CHURCH

The Worship of God | February 23, 2025 | 11:00 AM

3100 Northside Drive | Atlanta, GA 30305
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The Preparation for Worship

“How then does Jesus now find continuing embodiment as life-giving Spirit? As all-powerful Lord, in any fashion he chooses! Jesus remains capable of surprise.”

Luke Timothy Johnson, *Living Jesus*

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

* *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

Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben | R. Thompson

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

INTROIT

Alleluia | DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

*HYMN OF PRAISE 258

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise | LLANFAIR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We have been called away from that which is routine.

We have been called together to worship God.

We bring our anxieties and fears and frustrations that distract us.

We ask God to grace us by giving us the focus of hope.

With longing hearts we desire to experience God.

With joyful songs and earnest prayers we seek God.

GATHERING | Scott Hovey

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are called by God to love others that are outside our comfort zones.

However, we often fail to love.

We confess our sin. We have lived smaller lives than God intended. We

ask God to forgive us. We pause for a moment of silent confession...

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, you are forgiven! God is generous in love and full of grace. Let us live lives as large as the grace and love of God. We are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*GLORIA PATRI 805 | GREATOREX

The Word

“Blessed are they that hear the word of the Lord.”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: GENESIS 45:3-11,15

Priscilla Eppinger | Old Testament p. 42

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: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-38, 42-50

Thelma Heflin | New Testament p. 177

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 530

Be Still, My Soul | FINLANDIA

*GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 6:27-38

Priscilla Eppinger | New Testament p. 64

The Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON | *Imperishable* | Scott Hovey

The Response

“Be ye doers of the word and not hearers only.”

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 233

The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done | VICTORY

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH & INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING

Please place offering in plate or text NDBC GIVE to “73256” followed by the amount.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Majesty and Glory | T. Fettke

Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY 808 | OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | Scott Hovey

The Commission

“. . . and I will be with you always.”

*HYMN OF WITNESS 254

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven | ODE TO JOY

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Canzona No. 1 in C | G. Frescobaldi

Priscilla Eppinger, Worship Leader

Thelma Heflin, Lay Reader

Today’s flowers are given by Hartwell Dew to the Glory of God, in memory of his mother, Mary Agnes Dew, whose 100th birthday would have been on February 26, and in honor of Susan Dew, whose birthday was February 21.

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