



**Northside Drive**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

# The Pinnacle

FULLY KNOWN, FULLY LOVED.

February 27, 2025

March 2 | Livestream \* Order of  
Worship

## Baptist Women in Ministry

Northside Drive Baptist Church is a proud supporter of Baptist Women in Ministry. BWIM is an organization that supports and advocates for women who are called by God to preach, lead, and pastor. Northside Drive has a rich heritage of women who have been ordained here, who have served on ministry staff, and who have preached from our pulpit.

During the month of March, we will highlight our commitment- both theologically and in practice- to women in ministry. I'm excited to declare Sunday, March 16, as Women in Ministry Sunday as we welcome Laure FitzSimmons to our pulpit. Laure (pronounced Laura) is a 3rd year student in the Master of Divinity program at Candler School of Theology. Laure has been worshipping with us for the past few months and has loved her time at Northside Drive. We are excited to support Laure and to lend her our ears as she shares the Gospel with us on March 16.

## Transfiguration Sunday

**Transfiguration Sunday** is a liminal moment. Technically the final Sunday in Epiphany, it is the demarcation of sorts between Epiphany and Lent. The transfiguration, that strange story of Jesus on the mountain with Peter, James, and John when his clothes glowed bright white, is the ultimate epiphany or revelation as we see Jesus in all his glory. It is also a sneak peek of the end (read: goal) of the story.

Some have called the transfiguration a misplaced resurrection story. I think that is half right. It is indeed a glimpse of the resurrection, but there is nothing misplaced about it- at least not in the accidental sense. As we've been talking about resurrection, we have made the point that resurrection is both a moment in time and a way to live and love in this (and every other) moment.

In this way, the transfiguration is a way to show that resurrection is **always** before us; it is **always** in this moment. If we have eyes to see, we can discover the beautiful miracle of resurrection right in front of us. There is never anything misplaced about the resurrection! Indeed, for the people of God, resurrection is our hope today, tomorrow, and on Easter Sunday!

Scott Hovey



## Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch March 2 | 12:15 PM

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](mailto:atchley2005@gmail.com) or 404-310-9635 by Friday, February 28.

Hospitality Ministry Team

## CALLED CHURCH IN CONFERENCE

March 2, 2025, following the Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch

At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 17, the Church Council unanimously agreed to move forward with the proposal to allow Kiddos to rent our current Fellowship Hall and for the church to convert the current Chapel to a mixed-use worship/fellowship space.

There will be a called Church-in-Conference immediately following the pancake luncheon on March 2 for the sole purpose of voting on this recommendation from the Church Council.

Join us for an open forum to discuss the proposal before the March 2 vote. The forum will take place in the Chapel on Thursday, February 27, at 6:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Hartwell Dew, Moderator

## Special Guest: Indra Thomas | March 9

Known for her lush and warm voice, Ms. Thomas has performed at many world class opera houses and venues such as the Metropolitan Opera and the Vienna State Opera. She has also performed with the New York Philharmonic, the London Symphony, and Leipzig's Gewandhaus Orchestra. These are just a few of her accolades.



Ms. Thomas is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. She has a BM from Shorter College and an Artistic Diploma from the prestigious Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia. She serves as Artist in Residence in Voice at Berry College in Rome, GA.

Ms. Thomas will be singing with the Northside Drive Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir on March 9, 2025, during the worship service.

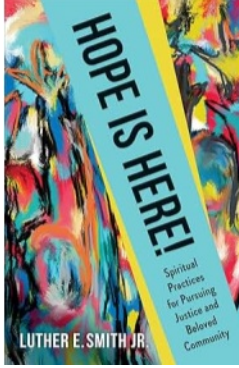
## Ash Wednesday

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be on March 5 at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. This is a meaningful service that reminds us of our mortality and our brokenness.

## Lenten Devotional

We invite you to join us in reading *Hope is Here!* by Candler School of Theology professor emeritus Luther Smith. We will gather each Wednesday in Lent (beginning March 12) at 6:00 PM at church for a time of discussion and reflection. Please let me know if you are interested. The cost of the book is \$10.

Scott Hovey



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## Missions Opportunities: Join Us!

### Agape Center | Thursday, March 20

Northside Drive volunteers will serve supper once again at **Agape Center** Thursday, March 20. Our October volunteers had a wonderful time with the students.

The meal for 40 middle school students will be served at 6:30 PM. Volunteers will gather at 6:00 PM in the lobby. Dinner is at 6:30, and clean up should be completed by 7:30.

Please let Catherine Campbell, Barbara Atchley, or Nancy Hall know if you're able to join us.

Address: Agape Center, 2210 Marietta Boulevard NW, Atlanta, GA 30318



### Urban Recipe | Friday, April 11

Another opportunity to support one of our Missions partners is scheduled for **Friday morning, April 11, at Urban Recipe**. Volunteers will gather at the Urban Recipe warehouse at 9:00 AM and work for two hours organizing and packing food items for families.

There is plenty of free parking at the Urban Recipe warehouse area. Please let Hartwell Dew know if you are interested.

Address: Urban Recipe, 970 Jefferson St. NW, Atlanta, GA 30318

**Missions Ministry Team**



Dignity tastes good.

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## This Sunday

### Adult Church School

Carolyn Mahaffey leads study of  
*The Difficult Words of Jesus*  
9:30 AM | *Room 202*

### Children's Church School

9:30 AM | *Undercroft*

### Worship

11:00 AM | *Sanctuary*

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## Upcoming Events

### Kiddos Expansion Forum

February 27 | 6:00 PM  
*Chapel*

### Missions Ministry Team Meeting

March 2 | 12:15 PM  
*Room 204*

### Mardi Gras Pancake Lunch

March 2 | 12:15 PM  
*Fellowship Hall*

### Called Church-in-Conference

March 2 | 1:00 PM  
*Fellowship Hall*

### Scott's Office Hours

March 3 | 9 AM - 11 AM  
*NDBC Office*

### Wednesday Bible Study

March 5 | 10:30 AM  
*Room 202/Hybrid*

### Ash Wednesday Service

March 5 | 6:30 PM  
*Sanctuary*

### Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

March 5 | 7:30 PM  
*Choir Room*

### Worship & Music Ministry Team Meeting

March 9  
| 12:15 PM  
*Conference Room*

### Church Council

March 10 | 7:00 PM  
*Room 202*

### Triple E: Getting to Know You

**Nancy Hall**  
March 11 | 11:00 AM  
*Fellowship Hall*

### *Hope is Here!*

### A Lenten Study Series

March 12 | 6:00 PM  
*Parlor*

### Young Adult Movie Night

March 14 | 7:00 PM  
*Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church*

Events

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## March Birthdays

Jim Mahaffey - 1

Jo Meeks - 1

Virginia Gilbert - 2

Jordan Clark - 3

Andrew Taylor - 4

Caroline Sisk - 12

Roderick Streeter - 16

Jill Dunn - 20

RJ Streeter - 20

Lydia McCoy - 21

Walter Grant - 30

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