



Northside Drive
BAPTIST CHURCH

The Pinnacle

FULLY KNOWN, FULLY LOVED.

March 27, 2025

March 30 | Livestream * Order of
Worship

Three Years at NDBC



April 1st marks my third anniversary as pastor of Northside Drive. I'm not so much the 'new' pastor anymore!

In my three years as pastor of Northside Drive, I have learned a lot. I've listened to many stories, asked many questions, explored treasured history and heard hopes for the future. Arising from these conversations, a few ideas began to take shape. These ideas revolved around deeply caring relationships, radical welcome, social justice and offering a safe and encouraging place to explore faith. Some of you encouraged me to share the vision that has been emerging. I shared this vision- our vision- at the March Church Council meeting.

I now want to share this vision with the whole church. This Sunday, I will weave this vision into

my sermon. It will fit nicely alongside our two deeply moving lectionary passages: Luke 15- the prodigal son (and his older brother) and 2 Corinthians 5. The title of my sermon is, "The Church of Tomorrow." This is a phrase that I have picked up from our own former minister, the Rev. Dr. Forrest Lanier.

My Pinnacle article next week will share what I present on Sunday.

Northside Drive has always been a church that has blazed its own path, whether it was ordaining women to gospel ministry or breaking with the increasingly fundamentalist Southern Baptist Convention, whether it was designing our worship life to embrace ecumenical traditions or publicly affirming our radical welcoming of gender and sexual diversity. Northside Drive has always shown courage and tenacity and more than a little faith in being the people of God on the hill.

The past is our evidence that Northside Drive has a rich future. We are indeed the church of tomorrow- as we have been since faithful people broke ground here over 70 years ago.

I am grateful every day for the opportunity to serve as your pastor, and I'm proud to have my picture hanging among a very esteemed crowd of others who were blessed to be called pastor of this church.

Scott Hovey

Dinner at the Agape Center

Your Northside Drive Hairnet Team had a wonderful, busy evening with the students at the Agape Center last week. The children enjoyed chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, cups of mandarin oranges, grapes (green and purple!!), a variety of chips and drink boxes, as well as yummy cookies. No one went home hungry, that's for sure, and a few took home a little extra to share with siblings. We arrived early and helped serve the younger students. We did a quick turnaround and served our middle school crowd. They were delighted with the meal and enjoyed the cheerful service from our group. The mac and cheese was a big hit. Thanks to Susan Harlan and Cindy Bell. Catherine Campbell, thank you for planning and coordinating the dinner. The team invites you to join us on our next visit. Hairnets are required, but they are free!

Missions Ministry Team





Children's Picnic

Pizza, playground, and perfect weather made for a delightful time with our children after worship on Sunday. We look forward to more times together this spring and summer.

Children's Ministry Team





Art & Soul

During Lent, the Art & Soul class is studying Carol Bechtel's book *Hallelujah: The Bible and Handel's Messiah*. This Sunday, Don Janney will lead as we discuss the chapter, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth." Whether or not you've read the book, we hope you'll join us at 9:30 AM in Room 202 for a lively, stimulating discussion. If you cannot come in person, please join us via Zoom at this link: <https://bit.ly/artandsoulNDBC>.

Reminder to Nominate Someone or Volunteer for a Ministry Team

This Sunday, March 30, is the final day to sign up for one of our church ministry teams. Please consider sharing your time and talents to enrich the activities of the Northside Drive community. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. A complete listing of the committees with responsibilities can be found [here](#).

If you have questions or would like more information, contact committee chair Nancy Hall | nancygenehall@gmail.com.

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Triple E

April 8

How An Old Friend Has Evolved
For A New Day

Greg Cole, BCM Georgia



In March, 1987, Buckhead Christian Community Ministries (BCCM) opened its doors as an organization focused on providing financial assistance and counseling to residents of the Buckhead community. NDBC was not a founding member, but soon joined other churches in the area and became an active partner with financial support and volunteers who worked regularly in the food pantry and the clothing store. Buckhead Christian Ministry served clients through financial assistance, emergency information and referrals, the Joyous Toys Christmas shop, the food pantry, and the clothing closet.

Over the past 38 years, programs have evolved, services have been modified, names have changed, and new programs have been added. In 2021, the clothes closet we knew as THRIFTique and the C. Spencer Godfrey Food Pantry closed so BCM could focus entirely on its core programs: Emergency Assistance, Supportive Housing, and Financial Education. In 2022, BCCM refreshed its brand to “BCM Georgia” and added a tag line *Love Thy Neighbor* to more accurately depict the geographic scale and programmatic scope of the ministry.

Greg Cole joined BCM in May 2024 as the President and CEO. Please join fellow NDBCers for Triple E on Tuesday, April 8, at 11:00 AM to hear Greg and to learn more about how BCM is carrying out its mission “to keep people from becoming homeless and work to elevate their possibilities for economic empowerment.”

RSVP to Barbara Atchley at 404-310-9635 or atchley2005@gmail.com by Friday, April 4.

Easter Lily Orders | Orders Due by April 13, 2025



At Easter, the NDBC Flower Ministry Team provides an opportunity to remember or celebrate friends and family with an Easter lily donation. To donate an Easter lily in honor or in memory of a loved one, please submit \$20, placed in a designated flower envelope in the Narthex, send a check to the church office (write Easter Lily on memo line), along with your dedication information, or contact Flower Team Chair Virginia Gilbert by email. The deadline for ordering is **April 13**. Please plan to take your lily home with you after the Easter service on **April 20**.*

Virginia Gilbert | gilbertva3@gmail.com

If you contact Virginia via email, she will send you a confirmation that she received your Easter lily information. If you do not receive a confirmation, please check with Virginia at 770-617-1809 to be sure that she received your email.

*Please note that U.S. tax regulations do not allow NDBC to offer contribution credit for this purchase because the plants are returned to the giver. Thank you for your donations.

Flower Ministry Team

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11TH ANNUAL ATLANTA GOLF CLASSIC

HAWKS RIDGE GOLF CLUB
APRIL 14, 2025



11th Annual Atlanta Golf Classic

It is time to register for the Stewart Center's 11th Annual Atlanta Golf Classic on April 14! The tournament will be held at [Hawks Ridge Golf Club](#), with all proceeds supporting academic enrichment for under-resourced children.

The tournament offers a unique opportunity for sponsors to elevate their brand, network with other organizations, and entertain friends or clients while playing one of the South's premier courses.

Thanks to the generosity of our corporate and individual partners, hundreds of children have benefited over the years.

Make plans to be a part of this meaningful annual tradition. Follow the link below for sponsorship opportunities, or email clayton@stewartcenter.org for information and registration.

[Sponsorship](#)

Let's Fill Easter Eggs! | Easter Egg Hunt, April 20 at 12:15



Easter Sunday is only a few weeks away! It is time to prepare for the Easter Egg Hunt! If you are able, please fill plastic eggs with yummy, nut-free candy or stickers and bring them to the Narthex by Sunday, April 13. There are several sacks of empty, recycled plastic eggs in the Narthex. Feel free to pick up a sack, take home to fill, and return.

Join us on April 20 for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 12:15 PM. There are no requirements to participate. Please bring a basket. Extra baskets will also be available in the Narthex.

Children's Ministry Team

This Sunday

Adult Church School

Hallelujah: The Bible and Handel's Messiah

"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

Led by Don Janney

9:30 AM | *Room 202*

Children's Church School

9:30 AM | *Undercroft*

Worship

11:00 AM | *Sanctuary*

Ministry Teams Sign-Up

12:15 PM | *Narthex*

Upcoming Events

Scott's Office Hours

March 31 | 9:00-11:00 AM

NDBC Office

Missions Team Meeting

April 6 | 12:15 PM

Room 204

Wednesday Bible Study
April 2 | 10:30 AM
Room 202/Hybrid

No Holy Happy Hour
April 2

Hope is Here!
A Lenten Study Series
April 2 | 6:00 PM
Room 202/Hybrid

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
April 2 | 7:00 PM
Choir Room

**Triple E: How An Old Friend
Has Evolved for a New Day**
April 8 | 11:00 AM
Fellowship Hall

Missions Opportunity: Urban Recipe
April 11 | 9:00-11:00 AM
Urban Recipe

**Celebration of Life Service
for Nancy Davis**
April 12 | 10:30 AM
Chapel

Events

March Birthdays

Dan Oakley - 26
Walter Grant - 30

April Birthdays

LeAnna Anantaraman - 3
Anne Hunt - 4
Heather Hieserman - 5
Allison Blaisdell - 6
Kay Braswell - 6
Jennifer Sardone - 10
Brian Knight - 12
Robbye Taylor - 13
Tim Whiffen - 14
Ken Brant - 16
Theresa Goriczynski - 20
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