

# Welcome

We are an inclusive, inquiring and involved church seeking to be a part of God’s loving transformation of the world by sharing hope, showing grace and serving our neighbors near and far.

## Core Practices

### INCLUSIVE

As an inclusive church, we are welcoming to all. We embrace God’s beautiful diversity in all its forms, including race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

### INQUIRING

As an inquiring church, we love to ask questions. We respect the faith journey of all people and encourage exploration. We value studying the Bible, but not just the Bible. We dig deep and challenge ourselves with ideas new and old.

### INVOLVED

We seek to be a part of God’s great work in the world by serving others. We look for ways to address hunger and housing issues. But we are also passionate in caring for the environment, advocating for immigrants and refugees, and seeking justice for the marginalized.

## 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](http://northsidedrive.org/the-pinnacle).



## Free Items

Stop by room 204 and the room at the back of the Chapel to shop for items you (or someone you know) can use. We are cleaning out the hospitality items and several rooms in preparation for the Kiddos renovation. The price is right - free- so check out the table and photos in room 204. New shipments arrive weekly! First come, first served. The free sale ends on July 13, and everything left will be donated.

## The Exvangelicals: We Are Listening... A Conversation with Sarah McCammon September 28 | 4:00 PM

This event will be held at Northside Drive Baptist Church in the Chapel. Tickets are \$15 and are on sale now!

Sarah McCammon is a National Political Correspondent for National Public Radio and co-host of the NPR Politics Podcast. Her work focuses on political, social and cultural divides in America, including abortion policy and the intersections of politics and religion. She’s also a frequent guest host for NPR news programs.

McCammon is the author of *The Exvangelicals: Loving, Living, and Leaving the White Evangelical Church*, a 2024 book that is part memoir and part journalism, about the movement of people who grew up inside the powerful evangelical subculture and ultimately left in response to its increasing politicization.

### Registration for The Exvangelicals

Use the QR code to register online. Tickets are \$15. For online payments, be sure to click “Add payment” prior to submitting your registration.



Use discount code: “NDBC” for a member discount.

Cash and checks are accepted. Checks should be made payable to Northside Drive Baptist Church, Memo: The Exvangelicals.

## Upcoming Events | [northsidedrive.org/events](http://northsidedrive.org/events)

**Scott’s Office Hours** July 7 | 9:00-11:00 AM | NDBC Office

**Teach Me Something! Summer Adult Church School Series**

Led by Jennifer Damato | ”Behind the Red Pen: A Teacher’s Story”

July 13 | 9:30 AM | Room 202

**Communications and Outreach Team Meeting** July 27 | 12:15 PM  
Conference Room



# Northside Drive Baptist Church

The Worship of God  
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

July 6, 2025 | 11:00 AM

## The Preparation for Worship

“The overriding political task of the church is to be the community of the cross.”

- **Stanley Hauerwas and Will Willimon**, *Resident Aliens*

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# The Worship of God

*\* 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**  
*Be Still and Know* | BE STILL AND KNOW  
*Festival Fanfare and Prelude on “God of Our Fathers”*  
J.Wayne Kerr

### CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

**GATHERING** | Scott Hovey

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**  
God calls us toward faith and hope and love.  
**Yet, we admit that life can often feel aimless and hopeless.**  
God invites us to experience joy.  
**Yet, we often feel overwhelmed. Our anxiety and fears cheat our beliefs and determine our behaviors.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE 419**  
*God of Our Fathers* | NATIONAL HYMN

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**  
God has invited us to share in the goodness of all creation— while recognizing that we are creatures in God’s creation.  
**Yet, we often are users and abusers of creation, rather than grateful stewards. We now pause silently in worship to confess our sins and ask for the forgiveness of God...**

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**  
Sisters and brothers, God hears our confession. The grace of God is bigger than our sin and makes possible a new start. God has forgiven us.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**\*GLORIA PATRI 805 | GREATOREX**  
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

# The Word

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

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 KINGS 5:1-14**  
Karen Massey | Old Testament p. 336

### MORNING PRAYER

**EPISTLE LESSON: 1 PETER 2:1-12**  
Virginia Gilbert | New Testament p. 233

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION 530**  
*Be Still, My Soul* | FINLANDIA

**\*GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 10:1-11, 16-20**  
Karen Massey | New Testament p. 71

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** | *God’s Holy Nation, Revisited* | Scott Hovey

# The Response

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

### DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION 209**  
*In the Cross of Christ I Glory* | RATHBUN

### 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**  
*Morning Has Broken* | Traditional Gaelic Melody  
Shantá Johnson, Soloist

**\*DOXOLOGY 808** | OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION | SEE INSERT

We are invited to participate in Holy Communion by standing intinction. All communion elements are gluten free. Please come forward using the center aisle. Take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup and eat. You may return to your pew by the side aisles. Should you need bread and the cup brought to you, notify an usher and the celebrants will be glad to serve you in your pew.

## The Commission

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

**\*HYMN OF WITNESS 731**  
*O Christians, Haste* | TIDINGS

### \*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE**  
*Now Thank We All Our God* | NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Karen Massey, Worship Leader  
Virginia Gilbert, Lay Reader

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