

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.



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

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

Scott’s Office Hours August 11 | 9:00-11:00 AM | NDBC Office

Teach Me Something! Summer Adult Church School Series

Led by Hal Meeks | ”My Time on the Camino de Santiago” | August 17
9:30 AM | Room 202

Deacons’ Meeting August 17 | 12:15 PM | Room 202

Church Council August 18 | 7:00 PM | Online

Choir Retreat August 23 | 9:00-2:00 PM | Choir Room



Northside Drive Baptist Church

The Worship of God Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

August 10, 2025 | 11:00 AM

The Preparation for Worship

“But the Hebrew word, the word *timshel*—‘Thou mayest’—that gives a choice. It might be the most important word in the world. That says the way is open. That throws it right back on a man. For if ‘Thou mayest’—it is also true that ‘Thou mayest not.’”

John Steinbeck, *East of Eden*

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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
Holy Ground
Geron Davis, arr. M.Hayes

Lord, Be Glorified
Bob Kilpatrick, arr. M. Hayes

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

GATHERING | Scott Hovey

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
We come to worship with a sense of expectancy and participation.
We give thanks that God meets us where we are.
We bring our grief because of loss, our gratitude because of blessings, and our guilt because of shortcomings.
We give thanks that God meets us where we are.

***HYMN OF PRAISE 669**
God of Grace and God of Glory | CWM RHONDDA

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
We have a longing to love and be loved, a need for the renewal of our faith, and a desire for the courage to be faithful.
We also confess that we often lack courage and are faithless; too often we are reluctant practitioners of hope. We pause for a moment of silent confession...

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**
Sisters and brothers: Christ meets us where we are, in our needs and in our confession. God loves us. 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: GENESIS 4:1-26
Cathy Wooten | Old Testament p. 3

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 JOHN 2:15-17
Don Janney | New Testament p. 239

***HYMN OF PREPARATION 302**
Holy Spirit, Light Divine | MERCY

***GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 19:1-10**
Cathy Wooten | New Testament p. 82

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON | *Disorder* | Scott Hovey

The Response

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

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN OF DEDICATION 486**
There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy | WELLESLEY

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
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms | SHOWALTER
Kurt Thomas, Guitar

***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.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** | Scott Hovey

The Commission

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

***HYMN OF WITNESS 502**
Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound | NEW BRITAIN

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE
All Hail King Jesus (Dave Moody), *with Majesty* (Jack Hayford), arr. M. Hayes

Cathy Wooten, Worship Leader
Don Janney, Lay Reader
Joel Stouffer, Piano

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