

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.



Community Thanksgiving Service November 23 | 4:00 PM

Join us for a Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 23, at 4:00 PM. The Rev. KC Crewdson from St. Anne's Episcopal Church will be preaching for us this year. A reception will be held in the Chapel after the shared service.

There will be a special offering taken during the service. The Community Thanksgiving Service Offering supports Urban Recipe, an Atlanta-based nonprofit that fights hunger through 11 community-based Food Co-ops serving families in need. Through the Food Co-op model, members take ownership of their food security by showing up, participating, and working together.

Urban Recipe believes that fighting food insecurity is a process grounded in Care, Responsibility, Courage, and Community, all mixed with a deep respect for Dignity - a proven recipe for food security that reminds us all that dignity tastes good. Learn more at urbanrecipe.org.

Hanging of the Greens | November 30 | 9:45 AM

Please join us for our annual Hanging of the Greens service in the Sanctuary. If you are able, please bring some greenery to help adorn our Sanctuary and Narthex. Coffee and light breakfast fare will be provided in Room 204 at 9:15 AM.

Hanging of the Greens is a service for the first Sunday of Advent based on the English tradition of decorating the home with evergreens for Advent and Christmas. Children and adults will be invited to hang Chrismons on the trees in the Sanctuary, and traditional carols will be sung. Please make plans to attend this service as we begin the season of Advent.

Service will be held at 9:45 AM in the Sanctuary.

Upcoming Events | northsidedrive.org/events

Deacons' Meeting | Today | 12:15 PM | Room 202

Church Council | November 17 | 7:00 PM | Room 202

Wednesday Bible Study | November 19 | 10:30 AM | Room 202/Hybrid

Wednesday Night Discussion | November 19 | 6:00 PM | Room 202/Hybrid

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | November 19 | 7:00 PM | Choir Room

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | November 23 | 3:00 PM | Choir Room

Community Thanksgiving Service | November 23 | 4:00 PM | Sanctuary

Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving | November 27-28

Coffee and Light Breakfast | November 30 | 9:15 AM | Room 204

Hanging of the Greens | November 30 | 9:45 AM | Sanctuary



Northside Drive Baptist Church

The Worship of God
Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

November 16, 2025 | 11:00 AM

The Preparation for Worship

"The problem isn't that our buildings are too big and too expensive. The problem is that our buildings aren't big enough. Bricks and stones and glass and sound systems simply aren't expansive enough for all that God wants to do in our world through the church."

Rob Bell and Don Golden, *Jesus Wants to Save Christians*

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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

CHIMES OF THE HOLY TRINITY

INTROIT

We Give Thee but Thine Own | SCHUMANN

*HYMN OF PRAISE 353

For the Beauty of the Earth | DIX

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We come together for the worship of God.

We come in gratitude and in need of grace.

We have heard and experienced God’s steadfast love.

Through the life of Jesus Christ, we see the life and love of God.

GATHERING | Scott Hovey

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come to worship rejoicing, wondering, wandering, professing, and confessing.

We come seeking a fresh start; we ask for God’s forgiveness and help to begin again. We pause for a moment of silent confession...

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, God meets us where we are. God has forgiven us.

God comes to us in the pains of life and brings strength and peace.

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: ISAIAH 65:17-25

Dan Oakley | Old Testament p. 696

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: 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13

Jackie Poole | New Testament p. 207

A CALL TO GENEROSITY | Jeremy Lewis

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 379

For the Fruit of All Creation | AR HYD Y NOS

*GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 21:5-19

Dan Oakley | New Testament p. 85

SERMON | *Beautiful Stones* | Scott Hovey

The Response

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

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF DEDICATION 40

Let the Whole Creation Cry | LLANFAIR

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH & INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING

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

You can also give online by scanning the QR code below.



MUSICAL OFFERING

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing | L. Pfautsch
Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY 808 | OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God 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 374

Now Thank We All Our God | NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dan Oakley, Worship Leader
Jackie Poole, Lay Reader

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