

The Pinnacle

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November 20, 2025

November 23 | Livestream * Order of Worship

Missions Update Another Busy Month for Missions at NDBC

November has been filled with activities many of you have participated in to help support our mission partners. The response from everyone to our request to help the Impact Church Pantry by donating diapers, baby wipes and other baby essentials was wonderful. The Impact Church Pantry was thrilled to be able to add the large number of these much-needed items to their shelves.

As we prepare for Christmas giving, our children have set up the Giving Tree in the Narthex and filled it with lovely, colorful "ornaments" they made with gift ideas to take with you. The gifts on the tree will support families served by The Stewart Center and Agape Youth & Family Center.

Sunday morning, Jeremy Lewis, Executive Director of Urban Recipe, a long-time partner of Northside's Missions program, was the guest speaker for the Art and Soul class. He explained the Co-Op model the organization uses to build community among members by promoting food security and dignity through community-driven food cooperatives that prioritize equitable food access, building relationships, and participation in decision-making. He then presented briefly during the church service to express his appreciation for the generosity of our church and our continued commitment to the ministry of Urban Recipe as it has grown. He told of his deep personal connection to and love for Northside Drive and his many friends in the church. Waiting for Jeremy when he left following the service was a car-load of canned goods for him to take with him as well as a check from the mission budget. Once again our members responded with amazing generosity and love.

Missions Team



Abigail and Miles add their decorated giving ornaments to the Giving Tree.



A generous donation of canned goods was a surprise "take away" for guest speaker Jeremy Lewis.



Thank you to our children for their help in preparing us for Advent and our Christmas giving.



Mikayla admires their tree filled with colorful ornaments of gift requests that church members may take.



Virginia, Abigail, and Julia carried donated canned goods to Jeremy's car.



Robbye, Pam, and Susan select items for the Pop-Up Gift Shops for families at The Stewart Center and Agape Center.



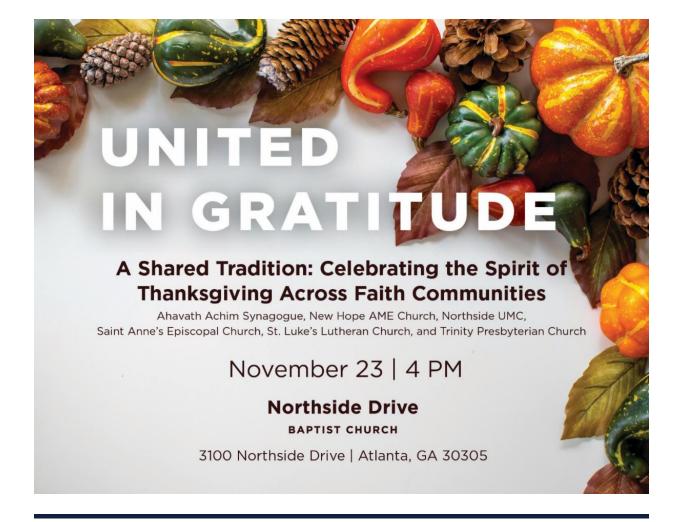
Jeremy Lewis spoke to the Art and Soul class about the ministry of Urban Recipe.



Items collected for the Impact Church Pantry were given by church members to help families with necessary items for babies.

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.



Make Plans to Worship with Us This Advent



Sunday, November 30 | 9:45 AM Hanging of the Greens **Sunday, November 30** | 11:00 AM First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 7 | 11:00 AM Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 14 | 11:00 AM Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday

Wednesday, December 17 | 6:00 PM Blue Christmas Service

Sunday, December 21 | 11:00 AM Fourth Sunday of Advent

Wednesday, December 24 | 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Family Vespers Service Wednesday, December 24 | 5:30 PM Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols



November 30, 2025
Light Breakfast Room 204, 9:15 AM
Hanging of the Greens Service
Sanctuary 9:45

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.

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.

Decoration Sunday - November 30



Please join the Flower Team after church as we decorate our Sanctuary and Narthex for the Advent Season. Although some decorations will already be in place for this first Sunday of Advent, help is needed to hang the garland in the balcony (or be on the floor of the Sanctuary to guide the garland hangers), decorate the Narthex, and more. This work should not take long with many hands helping out.

Have fun working with us to make our Sanctuary and Narthex festive and beautiful for the Advent season.

The Flower Team

Order Poinsettias | Deadline December 7

In keeping with a long-time Northside Drive tradition, we will display poinsettias in our Sanctuary from Gaudete Sunday, December 14, through Christmas Eve. We invite everyone to donate a poinsettia in honor/memory of friends or loved ones or in thankfulness for a meaningful event or person in your life.

The cost per poinsettia is \$20, and you can participate by enclosing a check to Northside Drive Baptist Church in a special order envelope, located in the Narthex, and dropping it in an offering plate or by calling or emailing Flower Team Chair Virginia Gilbert at 770-617-1809 or gilbertva3@gmail.com. Please write "poinsettia" on the memo line of the check.

After either service on December 24, you are welcome to take your poinsettia(s) home. The deadline to order is Sunday, December 7.



*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.

The Flower Team



During the Christmas season, NDBC offers opportunities for members to bring joy to others. Through donations of clothing, toys, food, and money, we express God's love in our community. As you plan your personal or family giving, please consider supporting these projects led by the Missions Team.

Andrew P. Stewart Center

The Stewart Center has been serving Atlanta communities since 1916. The Center provides after-school and summer programs for the children,

wellness resources for the families, and affordable housing to residents of the Pittsburgh community of southwest Atlanta.

As in past years, the Center will host a Pop-Up Shop at Gideons Elementary School so parents can select gifts for their children. Parents and volunteers will also have the opportunity to wrap the gifts.

Giving and Volunteer Opportunities for the Andrew P. Stewart Center

- Take a tag created by our children from the Giving Tree.
- Volunteer to help set up the Pop-Up Shop on December 8 & 9.
- Volunteer to assist shoppers or to wrap gifts at the Pop-Up Shop on December 10, 11, & 12.
- Sign up to volunteer at the store using this link.

Please bring your unwrapped gifts no later than December 7.

Agape Youth and Family Center

The Agape Center serves children and families through a variety of programs that offer hope, skills, and education, empowering them to achieve their full potential.

The Holiday Gift Store is a festive, community-focused event where Agape transforms its gymnasium into a free store for pre-registered families. Families can "shop" for gifts to give their children, creating a joyful holiday experience and ensuring that every child has something special under the tree.

Giving and Volunteer Opportunities for the Agape Center

- NDBC is collecting **NEW** winter coats, hats, gloves, and pajamas for Infants through Adult
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- As a reminder to bring a clothing item, please take a tag created by our children from the Giving Tree.
- Sign up to volunteer at the Holiday Gift Store.

Please bring your unwrapped gifts no later than December 7.

BCM of Georgia

The mission of BCM (formerly Buckhead Christian Ministry) is to keep vulnerable families housed while creating pathways to financial stability. Their two-generation approach ensures children stay in school, families thrive, and communities grow stronger.

· Help make their holidays brighter with a \$20 or \$25 gift card from Kroger or Publix.

Please bring the gift cards no later than December 14.

Questions? Contact Nancy Hall 404-791-7104 or Barbara Atchley 404-310-9635.



"Kangaroos, Penguins, and Baptists, Oh My!" Presented by Dr. Priscilla Eppinger 9:30 AM | Room 202

> Children's Church School 10:00 AM | Undercroft

Worship
11:00 AM | Sanctuary

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 3:00 PM | Choir Room

Community Thanksgiving Service 4:00 PM | Sanctuary Reception Following Service Chapel

Upcoming Events

No Wednesday Bible Study November 26

No Wednesday Night Discussion November 26

No Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal November 26

NDBC Office Closed for Thanksgiving November 26 at 12PM-November 28 NDBC Office

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

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

Worship November 30 | 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Pastor Scott's Office Hours December 1 | 9:00-11:00 AM NDBC Office

> Holy Happy Hour December 3 | 5:00 PM Round Trip Brewing

Triple E Holiday Program
December 9 | 11:00 AM
Chapel



November Birthdays

Jenney Headrick - 25 Catherine Campbell - 29

December Birthdays

David Beavers - 5
Mary Lester - 5
Syd Janney - 7
Cindy McCollum - 7
Jack Guynn - 10
David Vaughns - 10

Thelma Heflin - 15

Michael Dunn - 16
Andrew Blaisdell - 16
Ryon Hovey - 22
Jennifer Knight - 23
Joan McIntyre - 24
Caroline Player - 26

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