



Northside Drive
BAPTIST CHURCH

The Pinnacle

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October 22, 2026

October 25 | Livestream and Order of Worship

Treasures Old and New



Among the many parables in the Gospel of Matthew is this one:

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a good householder who brings out of storage treasures old and new (Matthew 13:52).

We know that the *Kingdom of Heaven* means more than just heaven in the popular sense- it is life lived God's way. And treasures old and new is a way to help us tie together the past and the future. We are sure of God's work in the past because we have seen it; we are confident of God's work in the future because we believe it.

Northside Drive Baptist Church is currently in its 75th year.

This jubilee year is an opportunity to bring out of storage treasures old and new. Our celebration will culminate with our Anniversary Sunday on September 26, 2027! Mark your calendars!

But our work starts now!

This Sunday we will engage 'treasures old and new' as our theme for our 75th anniversary. My sermon will help begin our thinking. Our hymns will inspire our visioning work. We will sing my favorite hymn, Called as Partners in Christ's Service, a beautiful call to "ministries of grace."

We have some beautiful worship ahead of us as we wrap up 2026: Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas. Once we turn the calendars to 2027, our anniversary celebration will begin in earnest. We are currently working toward ways to make this celebration special.

Let us discover ways to hold old and new together, not allowing one to overshadow the other, but allowing them to work in tandem to bring this present moment to fullness among us.

See you Sunday!

Special Thanks to NDBC's Congregation

Last Sunday's meaningful worship service and beautiful reception afterwards became a lovely departure time. I am extremely grateful for everyone's efforts to make Sunday such a special time.

When I opened my yellow envelope presented to me at the beautiful reception, I nearly passed out!! I had to check out the dollar amount three times to make certain that I was reading it correctly! What an absolutely generous gift from the congregation! I am truly overwhelmed with gratitude.

I want each of you to know that I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working and serving at NDBC. I am thankful for this special congregation that is so appreciative of the Word and music.



Thank you to the outstanding Sanctuary Choir, who, every Sunday, makes musical miracles. Thanks to each of the capable music directors with whom I have served. Now, isn't NDBC fortunate to have someone as musically gifted as Madison!

Thanks to our staff, starting with Lydia, who is the glue that "holds this place together!" We would not be in a good place here at the church without the amazing maintenance assistance of Nicholas and David.

Scott, due to your excellent leadership, I believe that NDBC is in the middle of a Re-Awakening Period. It will be a privilege to watch this time come into full being.

Looking into the future, I say that music will never cease. It is one of God's greatest gifts to his human family!

Enjoy the music that you make and share, and I will certainly be doing the same! We'll meet again...

With great appreciation,

Melinda

Welcome Our New Interim Organist

Taylor Morton is a graduate of the Townsend School of Music at Mercer University where he studied organ and voice.

He is currently pursuing a Masters in Sacred Music also from Mercer. He has served at churches as both an organist and music director in Georgia and North Carolina.

Please be sure to welcome Taylor on Sunday morning!



Missions Moment

**Lunch and Learn Opportunity with The Good Samaritan Health Center
November 8 | 12:15 PM | Chapel**



In 1995, Dr. Bill Warren, a pediatrician in Sandy Springs, began to feel God stir in his heart to meet people's needs in the City of Atlanta with his greatest passion, healthcare. He left his successful pediatric practice and began serving "the least of these" out of a local church's spare room. Things began to grow rapidly and quickly outgrew Dr. Warren's capacity. In 1998, The Good Samaritan Health Center was founded in downtown Atlanta with a mission of "spreading Christ's love through quality healthcare to those in need." The Center opened with a staff of eight and a handful of volunteers.

In 2009, The Center relocated to an expanded facility on Donald Lee Hollowell Parkway. The Center now has a full-time staff of 40 and 400 volunteers.

For more than 25 years, The Center has honored the inherent dignity in every person by providing affordable, first-rate medical, dental, mental health, food access and health education services to the most vulnerable in our community. The work at Good Sam seeks to effectively meet the needs in Atlanta and to 215 distinct zip codes across Georgia through the Full Circle of Health Model. The paid, full-time staff provides critical healthcare for uninsured, low-income individuals and families. In 2025, Good Sam provided 43,406 patient visits across its services.

After worship on Sunday, November 8, the Missions Ministry Team will be hosting a Lunch and Learn for congregants to hear more about The Good Samaritan Health Center. Heather Kersey, the Chief Development Officer and Director of Finance, will join us. Since 2021, Heather has overseen all aspects of the organization's expenses and income, including monthly financial reporting, endowment spending, donor relationships and grants administration.

Please RSVP by November 4 to Beth Laxton at laxton2125@charter.net or 404.216.0868 if you plan to attend the luncheon.



Recently, the Andrew P. Stewart Center was recognized by the Atlanta Board of Education for their impactful work at Gideons Elementary School and within the Carver Cluster that affects Atlanta Public School students and their families. This work supports more than 100 students with after school support, activities and opportunities, along with youth development, family wellness and affordable housing with the Pittsburgh community.

Missions Ministry Team



Mindful Listening: An Event for Deacons and Care Leaders **November 7 | 11-3 PM | NDBC Chapel**

The Baugh Center for Baptist Leadership, alongside the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and Georgia Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, invites deacons and care leaders to gather at Northside Drive Baptist Church on Saturday, November 7, 2026, 11-3PM for a one-day training event. We will consider how our practices of attention and mindfulness can serve our community as we have conversations of care.

The cost is \$15 per participant and will include registration, lunch, and childcare as needed.

You can register for this event at baughcenter.mercer.edu/Listening or click the link below.

[Click to Register](https://baughcenter.mercer.edu/Listening)

Payments can be made via check at the time of the event, or you can click the link below to pay with credit card.

[Mindful Listening Payment](#)

Trunk or Treat 2026 **This Sunday | 3:00-5:00 PM**



NDBC Families and Friends are invited to join Kiddos in this year's Trunk or Treat Celebration.

Sunday, October 25, 3:00-5:00 PM
Bouncy House and Trick or Treating Car Trunks!

If you would like to decorate your car's trunk, please prepare kid-friendly snacks, toys, or treats (no nuts!).

Set up begins at 1:30 PM. All car trunks will need to be in the parking lot by 2:30 PM.

There are about 100 families enrolled at Kiddos.

Click the link below to sign up to provide a decorated trunk and treats or contact Virginia Gilbert at gilbertva3@gmail.com.

[Click to Sign Up](#)

The Faith 250 Interfaith Project



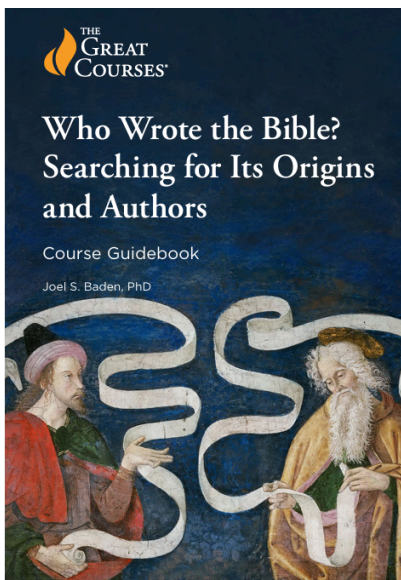
Faith 250 is an interfaith effort to gather diverse communities together for conversation. Several local congregations are planning a series of gatherings to share food and conversation around faith and our national life. Congregations include Ahavath Achim Synagogue, Northside Methodist Church, and Christ the King Catholic Church.

We are looking for 10-12 individuals from our Northside Drive Baptist Church to participate in four gatherings through the 2026-2027 year. The first gathering will be from **6:30-8:00 PM on Tuesday, November 10, at Ahavath Achim.**

Syd Janney has signed on as a participant, and others have expressed interest to date. If you are interested, or would like more information, please speak with Scott by November 1.

Future sessions are planned for Tuesday, January 12; Tuesday, March 16; and Thursday, May 13, 2027.

Art & Soul | Sundays at 9:30 AM | Room 202



This Sunday we continue in our study of, *Who Wrote the Bible? Searching For Its Origins and Authors*, written by Dr. Joel S. Baden. Our lesson is Chapter 19, "*The Passionate Narrative*." Jordan Clark will be leading the session.

All are welcome!

This Sunday

Adult Church School
Led by Jordan Clark
Room 202/Hybrid | 9:30 AM

Sunday Worship
Sanctuary | 11:00 AM

Church in Conference
Sanctuary | 12:15 PM

Children's Ministry Team Meeting
Room 204 | 12:15 PM

Trunk or Treat
NDBC Parking Lot | 3:00 PM

Upcoming Events

Wednesday Bible Study
October 28 | 10:30 AM
Room 202/Hybrid

Wednesday Night Prayer
October 28 | 6:00 PM
Room 202/Hybrid

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
October 28 | 7:30 PM
Choir Room

Adult Church School
Led by Jo Meeks
November 1 | 9:30 AM
Room 202/Hybrid

Missions Ministry Team Meeting
November 1 | 12:15 PM
Room 204

Deacons' and Care Leaders'
Mindful Listening Event
November 7 | 11:00 AM-3:00 PM
Chapel

Missions Lunch & Learn
November 8 | 12:15 PM
Chapel

Worship & Music Ministry
Team Meeting
November 8 | 12:15 PM
Conference Room

October Birthdays

James Goodhead - 2
Mary Caroline Goodhead - 2
Geneva Hall-Shelton - 9
John Langston - 9
Carolyn Herndon - 10
Abigail Knight - 13
Barbara Atchley - 14
Billie Davis - 15

Susan Harlan - 16
Dianne DaLee - 17
Mike Mosley - 17
Bruce Dick - 19
Charlie Dunn - 21
Hartwell Dew - 28
Mikayla Ngwenya - 29

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