

Northside Drive Baptist Church  
3100 Northside Drive NW  
Atlanta, GA 30305-1909



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### Tender Loving Prayer List

The TLP is a  
Diaconate ministry.  
The names for this  
month are listed below.

Billie Davis  
Jo Hunter

If you would like your name  
placed on our rotating TLP  
list, please give the  
church office a call.



### Pastor's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Meets weekly from  
10:30-11:30 AM in the  
Church's Conference Room.  
We study the texts selected  
in the Revised Common  
Lectionary for the next  
Sunday. Large print editions  
are available each week and  
for the upcoming Sunday.  
Discussion is deep and wide  
and lively. All are invited.

Meets on  
1<sup>st</sup> Thursday and  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in the  
Parlor at 10:30 AM.



If you are not sure how to knit or  
crochet, no problem, there will  
be plenty of people to help you  
get started. This group is open to  
anyone who would like to join!  
For more information call  
Susan Harlan at 770-377-3869.

### CHURCH HAPPENINGS November 2019

*Nov. 3—Laura Foushee & family will be with us. Lunch after morning worship. Call the church office to make a reservation*  
*Nov. 3—Choral Guild of Atlanta concert at 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary*  
*Nov. 10—Worship and Music Team meeting at Noon*  
*Nov. 12—Triple E at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall*  
*Nov. 17—Family Mission Lunch & Advent wreath making workshop in the Fellowship Hall*  
*Nov. 18—Church Council meeting at 7:00 PM in the Art & Soul Room*  
*Nov. 19—ROMEOS at Noon at Piccadilly in Marietta*  
*Nov. 27—NDBC Book Club at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall*  
*Nov. 28—Thanksgiving—Church offices closed*  
*Nov. 29—Church offices closed*

### Sunday Morning Worship Scriptures

#### November 3

*Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost*  
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4  
Psalm 119:137-144  
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4; 11-12  
Luke 19:1-10

#### November 10

*Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost*  
Haggai 1:5b-2:9  
Psalm 145:1-5; 17-21  
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5; 13-17  
Luke 20:27-38

#### November 17

*Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*  
Isaiah 65:17-25  
Isaiah 12  
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13  
Luke 21:5-19

#### November 24

*Christ the King / Festival of  
Thanksgiving Sunday*  
Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Luke 1:68-79  
Colossians 1:11-20  
Luke 23:33-43

*These are the Lectionary Texts for the day,  
but the texts used in worship may vary.*

### NORTHSIDE DRIVE STAFF

**Andrea Johnson**  
Director of Children's Ministries  
**Daniel Headrick**  
Associate Pastor  
**David Vaughns**  
Custodian  
**Gregory Colson**  
Director Emeritus of  
Music Ministries  
**James Lamkin**  
Pastor  
**Joleen Neel**  
Preschool Director  
**Keith H. Walker**  
Director of Music Ministries  
**Mary Lou Swann**  
Director of Children's Choirs  
**Melinda Clark**  
Organist  
**Nick Bonner**  
Custodian  
**Rose Hilday**  
Business Office Manager  
**Will Mathews**  
Administrative Manager



Church Council meets  
Monday, Nov. 17th

At

7:00 PM in the  
Art & Soul Room.



# The PINNACLE

## Northside Drive

### BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Laura and Carson Foushee are coming to NDBC Sunday, November 3, 2019



The Missions Ministry Team will be hosting Laura and Carson Foushee as they share their missionary journey in Japan. There will be a **lunch after morning worship** in the **Fellowship Hall**. The Foushees serve as co-pastors for English-speaking congregations at Kanazawa Baptist Church and nearby Toyama Koizumi-cho Baptist Church, assist in the Japanese services at both churches, lead Bible studies in English, and teach English to university students, kindergartners and their mothers — all while studying to improve their own Japanese skills. The Foushees are glad to serve as Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Field Personnel in Kanazawa, Japan in partnership with the Japan Baptist Convention. They pray that their love for the church and desire to make it a welcoming, grace-filled community will help serve and grow the congregations they work with in Kanazawa and Toyama. Through gifts of preaching, hospitality, and education, they assist in building these communities with people who have a passion to serve God with their lives. Follow the Foushees' ministry in Japan on social media at [www.facebook.com/FousheesinJapan](https://www.facebook.com/FousheesinJapan). Connect with Carson at [cfoushee@cbf.net](mailto:cfoushee@cbf.net) and Laura at [lfoushee@cbf.net](mailto:lfoushee@cbf.net).





**Pastoral Reflections**  
**“Approaching All Saints”**  
**By Daniel Headrick**



During worship this coming Sunday (November 3, 2019), we’ll be calling out the names of five Northside Drivers who died since *All Saints’ Day*, 2018: Aline Cofield; Kenneth Dean; Bill Jones; Jane Lamkin; and Larry Prince, Sr. As we call each out loud, a bell will be rung, and Senior Pastor James Lamkin will offer a brief reflection. These are indeed hallowed days.

I grew up in a tradition which had no analogue to *All Saints*. Perhaps the closest was Decoration Day at the cemetery in Leoma, Tennessee. Many of you participate in this very meaningful day, with its annual visitation to a loved one’s grave to clean and decorate, to pray and to remember. Such observances happen privately outside the space of our communal worship. And so, it has been special to me to have space during a worship service to formally remember our saints. In addition to those dear ones named above, we can call aloud others who have died.

In our popular rendering, a *saint* is a rare person indeed. One who by their conduct is beyond reproach. One who appears to be closer to God than others. Or so it might be thought by our colloquial use of the term. *She’s a saint*, we would say of my maternal grandmother who never had a known outburst of anger or inappropriate conduct. Her irenic nature was a constant.

The New Testament conceives of a saint in less hierarchical, and more approachable ways. For Paul, the saints are ubiquitous and omnipresent in those congregations to which he wrote letters. Addressing the church at Corinth, he addressed the congregation as those “called to be saints” (1 Cor. 1:2). Likewise, in Ephesians he begins with *To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus* (Ephesians 1:1). Paul thought of himself as “the very least of all the saints” (Ephesians 3:8) but notably...still a saint. The New Testament ends with these words: *The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.* (Rev. 22:21).

There were apparently lots of saints in New Testament times. Fortunately, we don’t apply a test. There is no process of canonization. We need not expand on the assumption of the New Testament that all who have accepted the call into new life by Jesus Christ were saints. We are all, each of us, sanctified “in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God” (1 Cor. 6:11). *Sanctified*, after all, shares a common theological “etymology” with *saint*.

The act of naming aloud those who have died during a worship service is a powerful antidote to the banality of that secular day known as Halloween. In such naming and in our living memories, we remember the lives of those we loved and lived with, wept and rejoiced with, worshipped alongside of, and yes, buried. By naming those who have died as *saints* we place them in that great narrative of God’s powerful redemptive story. For we know that death will not have the final word. God will.



**Sanctuary Choir presents**  
***Messiah***  
**by George Frideric Handel**

As we celebrate the Joy of the Advent season, the Sanctuary Choir will present Part 1 (Christmas Portion) of *Messiah* by George Frideric Handel on Sunday, December 15, during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. ***Please note the earlier start time.*** The choir under the direction of Dr. Keith H. Walker, Director of Music Ministries, will be accompanied by chamber orchestra and will feature Jenna Gould, Shantá Johnson, James Ranson, and Steve Sheeley as soloists. We invite all our members and friends to join us for a joyous musical service.



The Festival Singers of Atlanta  
present  
***“O Radiant Dawn”***

The Festival Singers of Atlanta under the direction of Keith H. Walker presents the first concert of its 2019-2020 season titled “O Radiant Dawn” featuring the setting of the Antiphon for December 21 by Scottish James Macmillan. Other works include the *Missa O magnum mysterium* by Spanish composer Tomas Luis de Victoria, and carols and motets of the Advent and Christmas season. The program will be presented on Sunday, December 1 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary at Northside Drive Baptist Church. The concert is free and open to the public. Donations are appreciated.



**Ac-cent-tchu-ate**  
**the Positive –**  
**Music of the American Songbook**  
***Sunday, November 3 at 4:00 PM***

We kick off our festive **80th** birthday celebrating the music of the American Songbook: Selections from composers such as Gershwin, Cahn, Porter and more.

We will be at Northside Drive Baptist Church  
3100 Northside Drive NW, Atlanta, GA 30305

Tickets are \$15.00 General Admission  
\$12.00 Senior Citizens  
\$10.00 Students

<https://cgatl.org/concerts/> to buy your tickets.

**From the Finance Committee**



In a few short weeks, I will begin a totally new stage in my life—that of a married man. My bride-to-be, Allison Roland, and I met at Northside Drive Baptist Church in 2017. Our relationship story began at Northside Drive, and our church family has played and continues to play a central role in our formation. Since our engagement in December 2018, Allison and I (mostly Allison)

have been consumed with planning the intricate details of our upcoming nuptials; however, throughout all the wedding planning, committing our time and financial resources to the life and work of Northside Drive Baptist Church continues to be a priority. Whether serving in our church council commitments, enjoying our church school lessons with Dr. Massey, or decorating the car for “Trunk-or-Treat,” Allison and I will undoubtedly recall these events when considering our pledge for the 2020 church operating budget. As I have reflected on my own experiences at Northside Drive over the past year, I invite you to prayerfully consider what you, as a member of the Northside Drive congregation, might be able to contribute, whether through your time, talents, or financial pledge to help Northside Drive continue its Christ-centered mission in the upcoming year. Please visit [www.northsidedrive.org/giving/](http://www.northsidedrive.org/giving/) to make your pledge online. Or you can return your completed pledge form to Rose Hidlay. Mail it back, drop it off during a visit to the church, or place it in the offering plate in a sealed envelope on Sunday. Rose can also take your phone pledge (404-237-8621) or your email pledge ([rose@northsidedrive.org](mailto:rose@northsidedrive.org)).

Thank you,  
Will Bell



**Christmas Giving at Northside Drive Baptist Church**

During the Christmas season, Northside Drive provides many ways for members to brighten the holidays for others. Through gifts of clothing, toys, household items, time, and money, we share God’s love in our community and beyond. This year we will again provide gifts through Morningstar Children and Family Services, Andrew P. Stewart Center, Buckhead Christian Ministry, and The Extension/Barbara J Crafton Center. Flyers with details about the projects will be available in the Narthex on November 17.



**ROMEOS** will meet on Tuesday,  
November 19 @ Noon @ Piccadilly  
in Marietta. For more information  
call Posey Starkey at 404-904-0890.



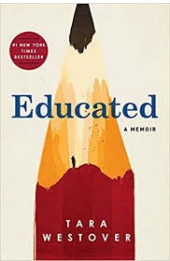
**Meets Tuesday, November 12 @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.**

The program will be: ***Seeing Life through a Lens*** by Myrtie Cope

A fine art photographer focusing on landscapes and architecture, Myrtie will discuss some of her projects and show images from her travels. Current projects include Southern Historic Theaters, Life of My Father, and Southern Landscapes. Join us to learn more about one of our own NDBC artists.

**NDBC Book Club**

Will meet on Wednesday, November 27 @ 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.



**The featured book is:**  
***Educated: A Memoir***  
**Author:** Tara Westover  
**Facilitator:** Nancy Hall  
**Hostess:** Nancy Hall



**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
**“Get Hooked”**



We make Prayer Shawls & Children’s hats for the Craddock Center (Serving preschoolers in southern Appalachia). We have everything you need to get started on a project. Just bring your hands!

**Our Gatherings**

are on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays each month  
at 10:30 AM  
in the Church Parlor  
Come and find out what we’re all about!

**Questions? – Contact**

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