



northside

BAPTIST CHURCH

All are welcome | Clinton, Mississippi

September 2019

Season after Pentecost

Sunday Schedule

Sunday School
9:15 am

Worship

10:30 am

Evening Activities
See Calendar

Church Staff

Norma Baker
Church Hostess

Beverly Hughey
Treasurer

Martha Hutson
Church Recorder

Heather Ivery
Church Administrator

Tequila Johnson
Nursery Worker

Lewis Oswald
Interim Music Director

Susan Meadors
Associate Pastor

Dottie Serio
Pianist

Courtney Stamey
Senior Pastor

Kin-dom Work

He said therefore, "What is the kingdom of God like? And to what should I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden; it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches." Luke 13:18-19

There are some folks who say "kin-dom of God" rather than "Kingdom of God." The type of change in nomenclature challenges us to imagine that God's dream for this world is something other than an idealistic Camelot characterized by top down power. Instead, kin-dom encourages us to think about what it means to be family here on earth.

"I first came to Northside when I moved to the U.S. for college at MC in 1979. I was lonely, lost and scared. The people here at Northside never missed a beat in embracing this homesick kid and gave me safety and an adopted family. It has been providing this ever since to me and my family. When the ICE raid happened, there was no question in my mind that as Northsiders we would do whatever needed to be done to give to our brothers and sisters that were affected by the raids a sense of safety and family. That is what we do!"

-Mary Nicholas

and quickly. I believe this was due to a mustard seed kin-dom mentality. Our brothers and sisters in Christ were, and are, fearful and hurting. The call of Jesus to love our neighbors, even and especially when we don't understand, is the seed of faith Northside chose to plant fifty years ago. The question immediately raised by members was, "What are we going to do?" There was no "if" about it. This is only the beginning. In a meeting on Wednesday, August 21st with leaders in the Canton area, we discussed needs of rent, utilities, communication, and other support leading up to the first expected court dates in January 2020. The ripples of what began on August 7th will extend for a decade or more. Fortunately, we have many other trees in the grove of kin-dom of God. We will continue to work alongside the CBF of MS, Northminster Baptist, Grace Episcopal (Canton), and Sacred Heart (Canton). As we think about these congregations, may we pray for the Holy Spirit to continue to work through us and to prune us to become more Christlike.

-Courtney



News of Interest

Kin-dom Work cont..

Next Steps for ICE Raid Victims

- Press pause on physical donations until supplies are depleted at collection sites.
- Continue building relationships in Canton, MS.
- Volunteer time at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.
- Pray for the communities affected: Canton, Carthage, Morton, Forest, and Laurel.

"I am proud to be part of a congregation that doesn't sit on the sidelines when it comes to social issues. We figure out where we stand, and we stick to it...The biggest need is time. If you have time, please give it. I think some people are scared to help if they aren't bilingual, but it isn't necessary. We are talking about basic human needs - those don't require words."

-Audrey Harrison



Please join us for a Baby Shower and brunch in honor of

Anna Garcia and Jose Rullan-Rodriguez

Sunday September 15, 2019

Immediately Following Church

The Parham Residence

105 Lakeside Hills

It's a Boy! Registered at Target and Walmart

September Book Club

Book Club will meet **Tuesday August 20** at noon in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss the book *Educated* by Tara Westover. Bring your lunch.

Second Wednesday Missions for Youth

This fall our youth will meet on the second Wednesday of every month for missions. Youth are encouraged to come to the supper at 5:30 and make their way to the youth building from 6-7pm. The dates are Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 14 and Dec. 11.

Senior Adult Fellowship

Schedule for 2019-2020

September 10 — "Favorite Hymns and their History" with Lewis Oswalt and Dottie Serio

October 8 — "The Care and Enjoyment of Birds" with Frank Hensley, Professor of Ornithology, Herpetology and Animal Ecology at Mississippi College

November 12 — "A Musical Program" with Darren Dale and Nancy Leigh Strum

December 10 — "A Taste of Christmas" with Jimmy Sclater and Dottie Serio

January 14 — "A Walking Tour of Clinton," a narrative history of our community with Jerrell and Martha Hutson.

February 11 — Valentine's Party with Slightly Tarnished (Marijane Whitfield's musical combo)

March 10, April 14, and May 12 we are leaving open so that we might secure a tour of the Nissan Car Factory in Canton. We cannot make a reservation for a tour in the spring until January. Keep watching for Senior News!

The Senior Adult Fellowship gathers on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (September—May) at 11 am in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck meal. Our programs usually begin at 11:30 am and conclude at noon. Join us!

Wednesday Evening Vespers

Evening Vespers begins again on September 4 at 6 p.m. Adults are invited to join together for scripture reading, prayer, singing, and listening, to the Spirit and to one another. It is a refreshing pause in the middle of the week that can nourish your soul.

News of Interest

New Members



Dereck and Stephanie Davis, Ian and Nick joined August 11, 2019



Brad and Brittany Freeny, Eleanor and Bradley Reid joined August 25, 2019



Jose Rullan-Rodriguez and Anna Garcia joined August 25, 2019

New Member Addresses

Dereck and Stephanie Davis
111 Napa Valley Drive, Clinton, MS 39056

Brad and Brittany Freeny
611 Dunton Road, Clinton, MS 39056

Jose Rullan-Rodriguez and Anna Garcia
237 Pine Place Madison, MS 39110

Recent Prayer Requests

Kay Ellen Aultman, friend of Audrey Harrison liver cancer

Kim Bowie, niece of Thelma Basley, possible cancer
Nehemiah Bowie, grand-nephew of Thelma Basley, stressful situations in college

Laura Garcia-Gilliam, sister of Anna Garcia, family issues

Jennifer Garriga, niece of Jerrell Hutson, dialysis
Ann Marquez, bone marrow cancer

Leah Oswald, daughter of Lewis and Lisa Oswald, rehabilitation and recovery from being hit by a car

Christie Plyman, daughter of Anne Powers, recovering from a broken leg

Jenny Slack, wife of Audrey Harrison's colleague, early 50's, suffered stroke and anticipating a long recovery

Irlene Smith, friend of Thelma Basley, gout

Bill Stamey, Michael Stamey's uncle, cancer

In Sympathy

With the family and friends of our organist and choir-master **Bruce Lesley**, we joined our prayers and offered our grief to God who is our comfort and our help. Bruce passed away August 10th at his home in Starkville, and was honored at his funeral in Tupelo August 15th. If you wish to honor Bruce you may give to the J. Bruce Lesley Scholarship Fund, c/o CREATE, P.O. Box 1053, Tupelo, MS 38802.

We also join Lida and Bill Stark in their grief over the death of Lida's mother, **Edith "Fern" Lackey** who passed away on August 18th in Irving, Texas. We hold in prayer Lida and Bill Stark, Rene and Joey Roberts and Will Roberts, and Edith and Chris Kennedy and Jay E. Kennedy.



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Happening In September

September 4 — Wednesday Evening Program begins. Mission Kids at 6 p.m. in the children's building; Adult Evening Vespers in Adult Room A-1 (behind fellowship hall).

September 10—Senior Adult Fellowship featuring Lewis Oswalt and Dottie Serio

September 15—Baby Shower for Anna Garcia and Jose Rullan-Rodriguez

Looking Ahead to October

Richard Brogan Lectures October 7-13
"Storytelling in Music and Word"

October 7—Claire Holley Concert

October 9—Eudora Welty Lecture by Suzanne Marrs, Professor Emerita of Millsaps College and Welty scholar

October 13— Storytelling Workshop- Telling Your Story with Linda McComb

October 20—Blessing of the Animals, outside service, 4 p.m.