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BAPTIST CHURCH

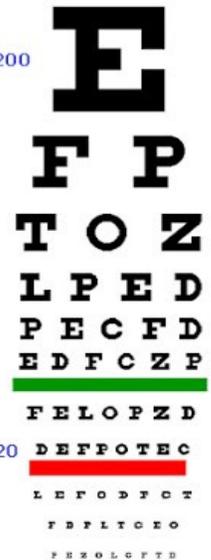
All are welcome | Clinton, Mississippi

**January
2020
Ordinary
Time**

Clear Financial Vision

God has a clear vision for us in 2020. In 2019 God has used Northside to comfort the grieving, give space to the community, welcome in new believers through baptism, and develop disciples through spiritual formation. With 2020 here, let us reflect on the financial close of 2019.

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Sunday Schedule

**Sunday School
9:15 am
Worship
10:30 am
Evening Activities
See Calendar**

In the last quarter giving to our general fund has supported the following items and more:

- Wal-Mart gift cards to each family present on the Angel Tree
- Offering space to National Alliance of Mental Illness Training
- Publishing our beautiful Advent Booklets

Church Staff

- Updated contribution software and training for our Church Administrator on the product

Norma Baker
Church Hostess

- Beginning of semester gifts to college students
- Christmas gifts for staff

Beverly Hughey
Church Treasurer

- Bio-degradable communion cups

Martha Hutson
Church Recorder

Our church has given \$23,190 so far to the Advent Missions Offering. This offering is a testament to the generosity of Northside as it is above regular tithes and offerings. The money collected for the Advent Missions Offering will go directly to those doing incredible work on behalf of Christ, in our state, our country and our world. Please continue to give to the Advent Offering.

Heather Ivery
Church Administrator

Before our budget year ends in March, we have several large expected expenses. One is our annual denominational partner gifts. Through these denominational relationships we are able to contribute to good work that stretches beyond what our church can do on our own. We will also have our annual insurance payment, which amounts to approximately \$8,000.

Tequila Johnson
Nursery Worker

God has a clear vision for us in 2020. Having our eyes adjust to God's vision means that our budget will need to be adjusted to reflect that vision. Last year we set an aspirational budget of \$443,800. It does not appear like we will meet this budget for this year. As such, we are asking all committees to meet in January to set their budgets. Each committee should look carefully over their line items and cut budgets as close to actual expenses as possible. We are also asking all committees to pray for God's vision in 2020. This may mean that the committee reprioritizes its spending. The hope is that we will be able to reach a budget of \$415,000 for 2020-2021. A budget cut does not mean that God is not doing work through Northside. Quite to the contrary, the Holy Spirit has gifted us abundantly, in ways that the budget cannot express. Each of us can point to ways that God has done great things through the mission and ministry of Northside this year alone. In 2020, let us pursue a vision that is deeper and more intentional than ever before.

Susan Meadors
Associate Pastor

Through adjusting our budget, may we reach 20/20 clarity for the vision God has for us. The new budget cycle begins in April 202, and we will vote on the proposed budget at the regular February Business meeting.

Lewis Oswalt
Interim Music
Director

Dottie Serio
Pianist

Courtney Stamey
Senior Pastor

Janet Taylor
Interim Organist

-Courtney Stamey

News of Interest

2020 Committee and Team Members

Children's Committee
Cynthia Goodman
Sarah Denley Herrington
Karen Nolan
Audrey Harrison
Heather Ivery
Brittany Freeny

Worship and Music
Pam Coker
Margaret Drummond
Aaron Bond
Lida Stark
Nancy Leigh Strum

Denominational Relations

Mary Etta Carner
Sarah Howe
Caby Byrnes
Jason Coker
John Meadors
Michael Williamson

Outreach

Jenta Boone
Daphne Myers
Roxie Parks
Judy Yates
Greg Gearhart
Jimmie Street

Family Life/Recreation

Mary Lea Nations
Marijane Whitfield
Judy Gearhart
Wesley Switzer
Emily Bond
Bradley Freeny
George Dale

Personnel

Kay Brodbeck
Lina Livingston
Kim Corbett
Jeff Wright
M. D. Whitfield
Jason Parham

Finance

Lance Ringler
Sheila Wagner
James Stringer
John Goodman
Graham Carner
Audrey Harrison

Properties

Lance Ringler
Ricky Nations
Dustan Jones
Ron Smith
Bill Stark
John Goodman
Ken Boone

Committee on Committees
Doris Smith
Samir Fokeladeh
Wilma Hemphill
Judy Yates
M. D. Whitfield
Jim Jenkins

Mission Team

Buddy Wagner, Chair
Samir Fokeladeh
Betty Byrne
Emily Fokeladeh
Caby Byrne
Judy Gearhart
Doris Smith
Michele Smith

Wedding Team

Martha Stringer, Chair
Trina Cobb
Deborah Fry
Daphne Myers
Linda Livingston
Cindy Ringler

Christian Formation Team

Buddy Wagner, Chair
Caby Byrne
Martha Stringer
Martha Hutson
Don Nyberg
Roxie Parks

Kitchen Team

Norma Baker, Chair
Martha Stringer
Jimmie Street
Linda Livingston
Yvette Dale
Betty Byrne
Mary Coker

Sound and Light Team

Ed Livingston, Chair
Michael Stamey
Jeff Wright

Senior Adult Fellowship Team

Yvette Dale
Marijane Whitfield
Jean Hunt
Judy Yates
Nancy Hancock
Joe Cooper

*Committee members are elected to 3 year terms. Team members join whenever they choose and serve as long as they choose.

We Need a Youth Team

Our youth are awesome, inquisitive, and caring. The conversations we have with them at bible study and missions, are truly above their years. It feels like we are in a time filled with possibility for each one of them. Additionally, with the sixth graders moving up next year, the youth group will double in size.

For these reasons we are resurrecting the youth team. Participating on teams at Northside is a way to serve that is flexible in terms of time commitment. There is no minimum or maximum time to serve on a team. The youth team will plan summer events, recruit volunteers for midweek activities, support the efforts of Sunday school teachers, pray for our youth and maintain contact with them, volunteer their own time, and whatever else the Spirit may lead. The preferred team size is five to seven people.

You may have some energy around this idea like:

"I would like to see our youth grow spiritually"

"I would love for more youth to Christ's love"

"I would want any youth in our community to experience a church home where they are accepted"

"I enjoy seeing our youth lead in worship and would encourage them to do more"

"I have some ideas for youth that I think could be cool"

"There are some people who I think would be great youth group volunteers, if only they were asked"

"I could give an hour to a meeting a month"

You may have some concerns like the following:

"I am too old"

"I DO NOT do lock-ins"

"I feel out of touch with our youth"

"I do not know any of our youth"

"I am not trained in leading Bible Studies"

"I may not be at Northside for a long period of time"

"What is a YouTuber?"

If the first list excites you, but one or more of the concerns is holding you back from volunteering for the youth team, please pray and ask God to help you discern if serving on the youth team is right for you. Even more, if you have interest in serving with our youth on the youth team please contact Courtney Stamey. For the spiritual growth of our youth, they deserve a big commitment. Let's show them they are worth our investment.

News of Interest

Senior Adult Fellowship

Tuesday, January 14, 2020, Jerrell and Martha Hutson will present, "A Walking Tour of Clinton," a narrative history of our town of Clinton. A presentation by the Hutsons promises to be both informative and entertaining, so join us at 11 am to learn about Clinton and to enjoy a potluck fellowship lunch.

WELCOME

We welcome **Nancy Leigh Strum** into membership. Please make a point to welcome her back to her church home.

3rd Tuesday Book Club

The Book Club will meet **Tuesday, January 21 at noon** in the church fellowship hall to discuss the book, *Inheritance* by Dani Shapiro. Please bring your lunch, a book, and a friend. Dessert and coffee/tea are provided. Welcome the new year with a good book discussion with friends

Toward Bold Faithfulness

CBF Global is launching a strategic Initiative entitled, "Toward Bold Faithfulness." This initiative is intended to ask CBF partners, congregations, and affiliated individuals, "What is bold faithfulness?" The centerpiece of the Discovery process is an online survey open from Jan. 7 to Feb. 2 that will allow as many voices of the Fellowship as possible to tell us about their church ministry involvement and personal ministry aspirations. This work will have a significant impact on the future direction of CBF Global, and Northsiders need to be heard.

For each completed survey a donor is giving money to the participants choice of Global Missions or a Scholarship Fund. If 20% of our congregation completes the survey, our church staff will receive a copy of the report results. These results could be very helpful in determining what bold faithfulness is for Northside at this point in our life as a community. The Holy Spirit is at work in communities like ours all over the world. Thanks be to God that we can join in the work of ministry together. For more information contact Courtney and please visit:

<https://cbf.net/tbf>

Recent Prayer Requests

Town of Edwards, tornado 12/16

Donna Corbett, mother of Kim Corbett, cancer

Mary Davis, friend of Susan Meadors, cancer

Doug Harper, friend of Jimmie Street, recent diagnosis of pancreatic cancer

Terri Kazery, recovering from brain surgery, treatment for cancer

Rikki Morrow, granddaughter of Jimmie Street, pregnant and having seizures; school teacher in Puckett

Blake Parham, brother of Jason Parham, chemo Therapy

Jerry Parrott, friend of the Yates, blood disorder

Suzie Ratliff, niece of Caby Byrne, cancer

Buddy Smith, cancer

Cathy Vernon, friend of Wilma Hemphill, broken hip and wrist from fall

Andy Wade, cousin of Heather Ivery, foot wound

Tony White, husband of John's colleague LaJune, congestive heart failure

Stephanie Williams, niece of Mary Coker, stroke and on ventilator

Amelia Yurkow, 8 year old relative of Mary Coker, diagnosed with NMO, auto-immune disease; receiving transfusions

Thanksgiving

Samir Fokeladeh, recovering well from surgery

Opal Hall, friend of Wilma Hemphill, no surgery needed, no cancer present.

Steven Patterson, recovering well

Members at Home

Ruth Houston – 227 Brookdale Asst. Living, 39056

Sue Nations – 319A, Avondale Dr., 39056

Merle Thomas – 100 Parker Dr., #2B, 39056

LaDeane Moore – 200 Serenity Lane, Apt. 310, Madison, 39110

Bonnie Berry (Crockett) –140 Castlewoods Blvd, Memory Care Unit Room 120, Brandon, 39047



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**Looking Ahead:
Women in Ministry Month
February 2020**

February 2– LaJune White, recent graduate of MC preaches and speaks during Sunday School

February 9– Courtney Stamey preaches

BSA Troop/Pack 1475 Scout Sunday

February 16– Susan Meadors preaches

February 23– Rev. Dr. Angela Parker, Professor of NT and Greek at McAfee School of Theology preaches and speaks during Sunday School