# Antioch Baptist Church North

Rev. C. M. Alexander, Pastor • Rev. K. L. Alexander, Co-Pastor

December 23, 2018 • 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service

> And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21



# **Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you**

1 Peter 5:7

"Serving the Least, the Less, and the Lost..."

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## WORSHIP SERVICE

I like the silent church before the service begins. By Emerson

The Call to Worship The Devotion......Deacons' Ministry The Morning Hymn #63......**The First Noel**.....Congregation

#### 10:00 a.m. - Combined Choir

The Announcements and Recognition of Visitors

#### THE LITANY OF PRAISE

MINISTER: Let us stand for our Litany of Praise MINISTER: We are...

**CONGREGATION:** *Bible-based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and Mission-bound* 

MINISTER: We stand on... CONGREGATION: The four pillars, Fellowship, Evangelism, Doctrine, and Stewardship

#### MINISTER: So, let us...

ALL: Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD he is GOD: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD IS good; HIS mercy is everlasting; and HIS truth endureth to ALL generations.

Psalm 100

**The DOXOLOGY**......Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### **The Offertory Prayer**

O Heavenly Father, we gather this morning to say thank you for giving us the greatest gift of all, your Son, Jesus Christ! We thank you, O Lord, for blessing us in such a mighty way. Because you gave, we pray that you will help us to remember Thy precious gift as we give back a portion of what you have given unto us. Teach us, O God, to give in joy and thanksgiving. Amen!

The Tithes & Offerings.....Deacons' & Ushers' Ministries The Sermon Hymn.....Congregation The Sermon.....Rev. C. M. Alexander, Pastor

The Invitation to Discipleship (Please refrain from walking during the Invitation to Discipleship)

Till We Meet Again

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Our Pastor, Reverend C. M. Alexander, and our Antioch Church Family welcome each of you to our Sunday morning worship service. From your visit with us today, we hope you will feel the love of Christ and the sweet fellowship that comes from our love for Him. This is our special way of providing for you a rewarding and memorable worship experience. God bless you, and we thank you for your visit.

#### **TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The lesson for today, December 23, 2018, is "*Waiting Is Rewarded*," and the scriptures are **Luke 1:26-31; 2:22, 25-35**. Next week's lesson is "*Everyone Matters*," and the scripture is **Matthew 25:31-46**. Please join us and be renewed by the teaching of God's Word.



#### **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

The Church office will be closed from Monday, December 24, 2018, until Tuesday, January 1, 2019, in observance of the Christmas Holidays! The office will reopen on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. *Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!* 

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

On Wednesday, December 26, 2018, Wednesday night Bible study will not be held. Members and friends are asked to have cottage prayer at home.

#### **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE**

On next Sunday, December 30th, there will be **ONLY ONE SERVICE!** Breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m.; Sunday School will be held at 9:00 a.m., and the worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m. Members and friends are encouraged to attend as we celebrate the Birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ during this awesome month of December!

## Behold, A Child Is Born

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was Governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.

> And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

> > And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

> > > And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

> > > > Luke 2:1-17

### Because Antioch Cares...

**TELEPHONE HOPE LINE MINISTRY** offers prayer and confidential support. The phone number is 404-527-5790.

#### HUMAN SERVICES MINISTRY

For the week ending December 15, 2018, 491 bags of food were distributed. A total of 16,322 pounds of food was distributed. **CLOTHING BANK** 

Sixty-seven (67) families received goods through the Clothing Bank.

#### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

Antioch Members who have been given the Right Hand of Fellowship are asked to please update their membership profile information via Antioch's website at www.antiochnorth.org or call the church office. If you have changed your name, address, home or cell phone number(s), or email address, please submit your new information to the church office. If you are registered with online giving through AC-CESS ACS, you may update your information on that site. For help on how to update your profile, verify your records, retrieve your envelope number or how to use Access ACS, contact Sis. Gwen Johnson or Dea. Benny Williams at the church office, at 404.688.5679. Members can also download the Givelify app on their mobile devices, enter Antioch Baptist Church North, and give securely through the app.

#### **LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

On Saturday, January 12, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon, Antioch will host the Leadership Workshop. An exciting workshop has been designed to surely propel us to new heights as Christian Leaders! Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and Breakfast will be served promptly at 10:00 a.m. All auxiliary and ministry leaders are asked to attend. Installation of leaders will also be held during this time. The installation fee is \$20.00.

#### **YOUR VALUABLES**

For security reasons, members and friends are asked to not leave personal items on car seats. If nothing of value is seen through the car windows, persons may not be enticed to vandalize. Please help the **Security Ministry** keep your cars **SAFE**!

#### **DEBIT/CREDIT CARD READER**

For the convenience of members and friends, Antioch now offers a Debit Card Reader for giving your tithes & offerings. This service is available on Sundays after each service and is located just outside the door next to the elevator.

Worship Service Coordinator 10:00 a.m. - Bro. Lindsay Cottingham Security Chiefs on duty 10:00 a.m. - Bro. Lee Baker Trustees on duty 10:00 a.m. - Dea. Bob Jones Health Professionals on duty 10:00 a.m. - Bro. Quintero Moore Videographer on duty Bro. Michael Williams

### Care & Comfort Ministry Sick & Shut-In List

**Members in Nursing Homes & Rehabilitation Centers** Bro. Daniel Michael Adams – Nursecare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. 526 Sis Robertine Bryant – PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 216 Sis. Miriam Crawford – Bonterra Nursing Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. 126 Sis. Dora Dallas – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. D-23 Sis. Ruth Dallas – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. A-10 Mother Annie Harris – Douglasville Nursing & Rehab Ctr, Douglasville, Rm. 222 Mother Bettye Harris – Nursecare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. 205 Mother Mary Hood – Signature Healthcare of Buckhead, Atlanta, Rm. B-408 Sis. Carrie Jones – PruittHealth of Decatur, Decatur, Rm. 203 Bro. Fred Jones, Jr. – A. G. Rhodes Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Taylor Wing, Rm. G Bro. Dallas Tucker – Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Ctr, Atlanta, Rm. C-19 Sis. Sallie Williams – Crestview Health & Rehab, Atlanta, Rm. D-113

#### Members Convalescing at Home

Sis. Barbara J. Alexander Sis. Zeporia Alexander Sis. Evelyn Battle Bro. Pleas Sonny Berry Mother Emma Broomes Sis. Jackie Brown Bro. Lewis Brown Sis. Danielle Bryant Bro. Henry Claybrook Sis. Doris Dennis Sis. Catherine George Sis. Minnie George Bro. Randall Griffin Mother Eunice Harrison Sis. Debra Hodge Sis. Pearla Holmes Bro. Roy Houston Sis. Elizabeth Johnson Mother Gwendolyn Johnson Sis. Denise Jones Bro. Rufus Kelly Sis. Lashia Levins Bro. Phillip Lyde Sis. Sylvia McClain Mother Frances Miles Sis. Cynthia Price Sis. Sharonda Price Bro. Richard Raglin Dea. Mark Roberts Mother Beulah Rosser Sis. Marian Russell Bro. Fred Samuels, Jr. Sis. Candace Scott Mother Willie "Cookie" Tuggle Sis. Vivian Walker Bro. Thomas Ware Sis. Margaret Watts Sis. Mae Weaver Sis. Mae Weaver Sis. Annette Webb Sis. Annie Wideman Sis. Lillie Willis

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 John 1:2