



Antioch Baptist Church ♦ 8869 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44106 ♦ Rev. Dr. Todd C. Davidson, Senior Pastor

ORDER OF WORSHIP

This service is subject to change by the movement of God's spirit.

OPENING HYMN (On Screen) – “Go Tell it on the Mountain”

INVOCATION Deacon Board

PRAISE & WORSHIP Dance Ministry

* *Ushers Seat Worshippers*

RESPONSIVE READING.....“Unity & Maturity in the Body of Christ” Deacon Board

Leader: As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.

Congregation: **Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.**

Leader: Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

Congregation: **There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called;**

Leader: one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

All: one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday ♦ December 16, 2018
Antioch Baptist Church

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WELCOMING OF GUESTSPulpit
MUSIC MINISTRY.....Voices of Praise/Cherub Choir
CORPORATE PRAYER OF PETITIONPulpit
MUSIC MINISTRY.....Voices of Praise/Cherub Choir
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THE MESSAGE “There is NO Box Part 31: Change Your Mind!”... Pastor Todd Davidson
 Philippians 2:5 (NKJV)
INVITATIONAL HYMN.....
OFFERTORY PRAYERDeacon Board
CLOSING REFRAINVoices of Praise/Cherub Choir
CLOSING PRAYER.....Pulpit
CLOSING INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION.....Musicians

T O D A Y

THIRD CANDLE LIGHTING OF ADVENT: JOY “But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.’ “ Luke 2:10-11 (NIV)

YOUNG DISCIPLES MINISTRY: We will not meet again until the new year.
Children’s Ministry Team

BURROUGHS-MALEKEBU CIRCLE MEETING: TODAY, 1:30 p.m. at Frederick’s, 22005 Emery Road, Warrensville Heights, OH 44128.

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING: The next church business meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Ministry reports are due into the church office by Monday, December 17.

FLOWERS ON THE BAPTISTRY

Flowers on the pulpit are in loving memory of **Deacon Rathuel L. McCollum**, who was born on December 16, 1924 and was called from from this life on November 26, 2011. **Deaconess Doris L. McCollum and family.**

CONGRATULATIONS

To **Sybil Jones**, who was given "The Faithful Servant Award" for her 20 years of faithful and innovative service to the Lending Library Ministry at The Oriana House Corrections Center.

To **Zelma Draper Brown** for being named the 2018 Inaugural Distinguished Evangelist for consistent ministry to share the "Good News" with others about Jesus Christ.

The **Inaugural Leroy Brown and Kenneth Combs Award** was given to **Elder Michael Broome**, Faith Community Church for reflecting the commitment and character of Deacons Brown and Combs, while serving as mentors, shepherds and encouragers to men and women returning from prison, seeking a second chance in society.

RECUPERATING MEMBERS ... (Contact Church Office for address information)

George Askew	Lula Jackson	Doreathea Pettus
Milorene Baker	Charlene Lawrence	Patricia Roberts
Henry Bolden	Shirley Lawrence	Marjorie Robinson
Irene Coleman	Bess Lee	Anne Hunter Rosemond
Eugene Crockett	Zekila Le'na	Howard Sims, Jr.
Nathaniel Dashield	George Mason	Nikiya Taylor
Julius Davis, Sr.	Geraldine McKinley	Josephine Wall
Adele Hall	Kenneth Mischal	Yvonne Ware
Major Harris	Mattie Nellems	
Alvin Hill	Greg Pettis	

...PRAY ONE FOR ANOTHER, THAT YE MAY BE HEALED..." James 5:16

Antioch Congregation	Dcn. Ruth Stewart and family	Sabrina Heath
Antioch Deacons	Dea. Sandra Fain and family	Kristy Fann
Rev. Davidson and family	Deborah Stewart	Mary Lopes
Julius Davis, Sr.	Renda Stewart	Rainey Family
Charlene and Shirley Lawrence	Madison Carter	Satura Gabriel
Harriet Banks	Elijah Alford	Ayub Rainey
Willa Morgan	Min. N. Rudd and Family	Ervin McPherson
Edrice Clark	Nancy and Crystal	Bea Waller
Dea. Paul and Dcn. Andrea Holland	Denise and Crystal	Ruff Family
Dea. Steve and Dcn. Doris Bullock	Jayla and Janiyah	Stallworth Family
Mr. Jesse and Dea. Viola LeGrande	Sis. Juanita Shealey	Kieta Patterson
Dea. William & Dcn. Curtiss Moon	Nicholson Family	Patricia McMillan
Dea. Sandra Fain and Family	Jamar and Donnetta	Billie Bryant Family
	Pennyman Family	Nate Brown
	Shelton Family	Monica W.
	Sanders Family	Uma and Andrew
	Alma Lockett	Tera and Genevieve
	Rodney Caldwell	Vassimo and Sionito
		Monica Brown

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

PRAYER: Would you like to have someone pray for you and with you? If so, come and join us for prayer at 9:00 a.m. every Sunday in the sanctuary.

READ THROUGH THE NEW TESTAMENT THIS YEAR! New Testament calendar reading schedule for December are in the McMickle Chapel and the front and back of the sanctuary.
125th Anniv. Spiritual Growth Comm.

VOICES OF PRAISE/CHERUB CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER: We will rehearse TODAY after the morning worship service. Our schedule is as follows:

Sun., 12/23.....11:00 a.m. Family Christmas service. We will participate in the service.

We will not rehearse again until after the New Year.

If you have any questions, please see/contact **June Wynn**.

POINSETTIA DELIVERY: Church family, we need your help! Please consider delivering a Christmas poinsettia to one of our sick and shut-in members. The poinsettias will be ready for pick-up TODAY after the morning worship service. Please see **Dcn. Liz Gooden** and **Dcn. Linda Sowell** in the McMickle Chapel.

'TIS THE SEASON TO GIVE: The Senior Adult Ministry is collecting hats, gloves/mittens and socks for children of the Fatima Family Center on Lexington Avenue. If you would like to help, please drop off your donation in the "*Donation Barrel*" next to the coat rack in the back of the church. The deadline is **TODAY** for donations. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

NO MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY AND BOOK CLUB: We will resume meeting on Monday, January 7, 2019.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: Sunday School is rehearsing for the Christmas Pageant scheduled for Sunday, December 23 at 9:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. Every child of Antioch is invited to take part in this wonderful presentation. Parents and guardians, please contact **Gloria Webb**, or see her after service. Thank you.

CHURCH CALENDAR AND RESERVING SPACE: To reserve space in the church for meetings, events, programs, celebrations, etc., please contact **Karen Edwards-Johnson**, church secretary, (216) 421-1516. (Thank you for your cooperation.)

DECEMBER 18 CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT CEDARWOOD NURSING HOME: Join the Nursing Home Ministry for a joyful evening of Christmas Caroling at the Cedarwood Nursing Home, 12504 Cedar Rd., 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 18. All ages, all voices are welcome! Song sheets and light refreshments will be provided. Please sign up in Branch Hall after service today.
Rev. Mylion Waite

DECEMBER 21 SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY: Friday, December 21, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wear your festive holiday attire, and come to enjoy wonderful fellowship, good food, games and singing Christmas Carols. Bring hats, mittens/gloves or socks to donate to Fatima Family Center.

DECEMBER 23 "A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM": Sunday, December 23 at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. A group of children are spending Christmas Eve in their new foster home. One of the girls reads a familiar poem, and before long anxieties begin to surface. Then, a wonderful woman shares the Gospel and tells the story of Jesus' birth. Reserved seating for children.
Sunday School Department

DECEMBER 23 COME JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL! 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. God Commands Our Love, Respect, and Obedience. In Psalm 103, David expresses love and glorification of God for God's creative, sustaining, and protective actions. **THIS WEEK'S LESSON, "Jesus: God's Loving Promise," Bible Background LUKE 1:26-31; 2:21-35 Printed Text LUKE 1:26-31; 2:22, 25-35 | Devotional Reading ISAIAH 49:1-7.** Some people wait a long time for a promise to be kept. What assurance do we have that God's promise of salvation will be kept? God's angel spoke to Mary, and the Holy Spirit spoke through Simeon, to declare that in Jesus God was sending a Savior and keeping the promise.
Sunday School Department

DECEMBER 23 A FAMILY CHRISTMAS: Sunday, December 23, 11:00 a.m. service. All former members of any choir and those looking to join the Mass choir are most welcome and encouraged to sing with us on this Sunday. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Let's fill the pews. The family with the most members and friends in attendance will receive something special. So, come be uplifted in music and hear a message of hope.

DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DINNER AT ORIANA HOUSE: The Antioch Prison Ministry invites our church family to share some Christmas love with the residents of Oriana House by supporting our annual Christmas Ministry. We will serve dinner at Oriana House on Christmas Day. The meal is cooked in Antioch's kitchens. We also give each resident a gift bag of hygiene products. Please come to Branch Hall after worship service today to volunteer your services.

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE ORIANA HOUSE CHRISTMAS PROJECT should come to Branch Hall after service to get their assignments. Also, if you are donating dessert for the dinner, the deadline for bringing items to the church is **next Sunday, December 23.** The church will be **CLOSED** on Christmas Eve. Contact **Margaret Peacock.**

JANUARY 8 WOMEN'S MINISTRIES MEETING: Tuesday, January 8, 10:00 a.m. Devotion leaders: **Wilson Circle.** Bible Study: **Romans.** Homeless Ministry: **Margaret Prewitt Circle.**

SERMON NOTES

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