



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) – “O Come, Let Us Adore Him”

INVOCATIONDeacon Board

PRAISE & WORSHIP Music Ministry

* *Ushers Seat Worshippers*

RESPONSIVE READING.....“Church Covenant”Deacon Board

Leader: Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

Congregation: **We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge and holiness; to give it a place in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, towards its expenses, for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. In case of difference of opinion in the church, we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit, and if we cannot unanimously agree, we will cheerfully recognize the right of the majority to govern.**

Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday ♦ December 2, 2018
Antioch Baptist Church

Leader: We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to study diligently the word of God; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintance; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be kind and just to those in our employ, and faithful in the service we promise others; endeavoring in the purity of heart and good will towards all men to exemplify and commend our holy faith.

Congregation: **We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and stir up each other unto every good word and work; to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others; to participate in each other's joys, and with tender sympathy bear one another's burdens and sorrows; to cultivate Christian courtesy; to be slow to give or take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, to secure it without delay; and through life, amid evil report, and good report, to seek to live to the glory of God, who hath called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.**

ALL TOGETHER: When we remove from this place, we engage as soon as possible to unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

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WELCOMING OF GUESTSPulpit

MUSIC MINISTRY.....Mass Choir

CORPORATE PRAYER OF PETITION.....Pulpit

MUSIC MINISTRY.....Mass Choir

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THE MESSAGE "There is NO Box Part 30:Pastor Todd C. Davidson
What's on Your Mind?" Philipians 2:5 (NKJ)

INVITATIONAL HYMN.....

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Deacon Board

SERVICE OF COMMUNION..... Pulpit & Deacon Board

CLOSING REFRAINMass Choir

CLOSING PRAYER.....Pulpit

CLOSING INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION.....Musicians

T O D A Y

YOUNG DISCIPLES MINISTRY: TODAY at 11:00 a.m. in the Junior Church area and next Sunday, December 9 at 11:00 a.m. We will not meet again until the new year. **Children's Ministry Team**

SACRED SPACE WORSHIP SERVICE AT CEDARWOOD PLAZA: The Sacred Space worship service is TODAY from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Cedarwood Plaza, 12503 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland 44106 led by the Burroughs-Malekebu Circle. If you would like to serve in the Nursing Home Ministry, please see/contact **Rev. Waite**.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Stefan & Pamela Holmes	December 13 th	Celebrating 37 Years of Marriage
Dea. William & Dcn. Curtiss Moon	December 16 th	Celebrating 18 Years of Marriage
Dennis & Elaine Banks	December 19 th	Celebrating 50 Years of Marriage
Alexander & Renee Hardwick	December 27 th	Celebrating 29 Years of Marriage
Dwight & Dcn. Ernestine Alexander	December 31 st	Celebrating 37 Years of Marriage
Julius & June Wynn	December 31 st	Celebrating 58 Years of Marriage

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Brooklyn Cole	December 1	LaJean McNair	December 11
Betty W. Thompson	December 1	Terri Purcell	December 14
Alexis Walter	December 1	Aaron Brown	December 15
Elfreda Walter	December 1	Cana Davidson	December 15
Luran Martin	December 2	John Whitaker	December 15
Emily Jones	December 3	James Avery	December 16
Madisyn Williams	December 3	George E. Madison	December 16
Yvonne Boyd	December 4	Javeon Montgomery	December 16
Synita Brazil	December 4	Phillip K. Moore	December 17
Brian Kimball	December 4	Jordan Oates	December 17
Dcn. Doris McCollum	December 4	LaSheena Jones	December 19
Savannah Clark	December 5	Dea. Vanuel McCarley	December 19
Marjorie Wilson	December 5	Shelley Thomas	December 19
Jonathan Agnew	December 6	Gwendolyn Bremer	December 20
Myrna Branche	December 7	Heather Goldman	December 20
Min. Angela McKinney	December 7	Jeffrey London	December 20
Moreno Miller	December 7	Armel Myles	December 20
Christian Clark	December 8	Charles Burkett	December 21
Eli Stacy	December 9	Alfred Sanders	December 21
Sheryle Anderson	December 10	Alexander Hickson	December 22
Arthur Childress, Jr.	December 10	Jacob Newby	December 22
Jasmine Harris	December 10	Kimani Simpson	December 22
Brenda Turner	December 10	Ernestine Edwards	December 23
Janell Zimmerman	December 10	Robbi Moss	December 23
Lula Jackson	December 11	Deborah Perkins-Boyd	December 23
Tonya Johnson-Jackson	December 11	Dea. Ernestine Alexander	December 24
Lula Jackson	December 11	Thomasine Clark	December 24

Jill Richburg	December 24	Patricia Deal-Walker.....	December 27
Dcn. Denise Thigpen	December 24	Sybil Jones.....	December 27
Dcn. Courtney Dixon.....	December 25	Laverne Settles	December 27
Brian Heppner	December 25	Dcn. Bonita Cleveland.....	December 28
Dea. Joyce Jones	December 25	Leroy Daugherty.....	December 28
M. Helen McCoy	December 25	Yvette Wilson	December 28
Raymond Jefferson.....	December 26	Justin Berry	December 30
Janice Kay Smith	December 26	Linda Gay.....	December 31
Thomas Boyd	December 27	Jesse LeGrande.....	December 31

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

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

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

Antioch Congregation	Dcn. Ruth Stewart and family	E. Veasey
Antioch Deacons	Dea. Sandra Fain and Family	Charles Townsend
Rev. Davidson and family	Dea. Greta Rice	April Jordon
Julius Davis, Sr.	Cheryl and Nancy	Charles Veasey Jr.
Charlene and Shirley Lawrence	Denise and Crystal	Joyce Williams
Harriet Banks	Jayla and Janiyah	Donna Warner
Willa Morgan	Jacques Smith	Yolanda Veasey
Edrice Clark	Rodney Caldwell	Gearld Veasey
Dea. and Dcn. Paul Holland	Sister Juanita Shealey	Carolyn Veasey and family
Dea. Steve and Dcn. Doris Bullock	Nicholson Family	Pre Term Clinic
Mr. Jesse and Dea. Viola LeGrande	Jamar and Donnetta	Desire and Destiny
Dea. William & Dcn. Curtiss Moon	Pennyman Family	The Craig, Rambo and Agnew Families
Sam Jelks	Stallworth Family	The Kinds Family
James Haynes	The Ruff Family	
	The Clark Family	
	Kori	
	Shaker School District	

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 the month of December are in the McMickle Chapel and also the front and back of the sanctuary.

125th Anniversary Spiritual Growth Committee

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.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: 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

ANTIOCH/FAIRFAX ADOPT A FAMILY CHRISTMAS PROJECT: The Antioch *Adopt a Family* is now underway. We are grateful for the participation of the Women's Ministries Mission Circles. All gifts must be gift wrapped and the name of the recipient placed on each gift, with the name of "Antioch Women's Ministries" placed on the tag also. Gifts must be dropped off by **Wednesday, December 12 between 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the McKinney Library.** If you are representing your Circle and would like to attend the *Adopt a Family* luncheon on Monday, December 17 at 11:00 a.m., please contact **Dcn. Gerrye McCarley or Sheila Fantroy.**

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: Members of Antioch: The Bereavement Ministry would like to grow its ranks with your participation. We are in search of additional members with the following characteristics: compassionate heart for helping people through grief, good listener, non-judgmental, prayerful, readily accessible, and a hard worker. If you feel that God has blessed you with the above list of characteristics, please send a

letter of interest and contact information to **Dea. Anthony Lockhart**, 8869 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106 by December 1.

THE SOUVENIR JOURNAL COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR PICTURES: The 125TH Anniversary Committee is now looking to collect pictures of past activities at Antioch, and, the older, the better! **This souvenir journal is being compiled and will be ready to be distributed in December.** Please send information via email to Barbara McCollum. Thank you for your continued support.

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.)

THE ANTIOCH BOOK CLUB: Reading selection is MR. INSIDE by T. L. James. Mr. Inside is a fictional, fast-paced suspense documentary of how one man, through circumstances beyond his control, comes face-to-face with his interior enemy. The "Inside" is a metaphor pointing to that bitter place in our hearts where we live in fear and anger, holding the sovereign God responsible for life's unjust events. Join us Mondays for spirited conversations in the lower level of the McKinney Center at 6:45 p.m. Books can be purchased at your favorite bookseller. **Rev. Mylion Waite**

DECEMBER 9 COME JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL! 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. This quarter's study begins with God's demands for our complete and undivided love as shown in passages from Deuteronomy and Psalms. It proceeds with our response to God's love in the advent of Christ, and the

Epistles' interpretations of the nature and extent of our responses to God's love in Christ. It concludes with passages from three of the psalms expressing glorification of God. **God Commands Our Love, Respect, and Obedience.** The Deuteronomy passage contains a presentation of God's demand for total love and devotion. The session from Joshua contains his faithful statement of love and reverence for a liberating God. In Psalm 103, David expresses love and glorification of God for God's creative, sustaining, and protective actions. Luke portrays the advent of Christ and human response to God's act of fulfillment of God's promise. We are challenged in Matthew to love God through compassionate works. **THIS WEEK'S LESSON, "Choose to Love and Serve God," Bible Background EXODUS 20:1-11; JOSHUA 24 | Printed Text JOSHUA 24:1-3, 13-15, 21-24 | Devotional Reading PSALM 81.** At critical junctures in life, people are forced to make life-changing decisions. How do they decide which paths to take? When challenged by Joshua to serve God or other gods, the Israelites definitively chose to love and serve God. **Sunday School Department**

DECEMBER 9 MINISTRY AWARDS RECOGNITION DINNER: The Board of Evangelism Ministry Awards Recognition Dinner is next Sunday, December 9 at 3:00 p.m. in Branch Hall. This dinner is in recognition of individuals and community ministry partners that have co-labored in the field of Prison Ministry. The **Inaugural Deacon Leroy Brown and Deacon Kenneth Combs Service Award** will be presented to an individual or organization who has demonstrated service to others, especially those promoting second chances to returning citizens, their families, and our community. The Inaugural Distinguished Evangelist of the Year Award will also be presented. There are a limited number of tickets available at \$15.00. Contact **Margaret Peacock**, (216) 280-6958 or see her in Branch Hall after the worship service in Branch Hall. The **Rev. Mark Olds**, author of *Not Without Scars* will be the keynote speaker.

DECEMBER 14 WOMEN'S MINISTRIES SOCIAL: Friday, December 14, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Branch Hall. Potluck dinner assignments: A –F Bread, Rice, Potatoes (startches); G – K Drinks; L – T Vegetables; U – Z Desserts. Devotion: **AB Girls.** Bring your 15 hygiene bags for Oriana House. Christmas Theme: "Unwrapping the Greatest Gift – JESUS." (Isaiah 9:6) *"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given."*

DECEMBER 15 CLEVELAND TUSKEGEE FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON: The Cleveland Tuskegee Alumni Club invites you to attend its Annual Christmas Fundraising Luncheon on Saturday, December 15 at the Mediterranean Party Center, 25021 Rockside Road, Bedford, Ohio. Donation is \$35.00. The keynote speaker is the **Rev. Dr. Otis Moss, Jr.**, Pastor Emeritus of Olivet Institutional Baptist Church. For tickets, contact **Mrs. Arvell Toles, Dcn. Lena Agnew**, or **Dea. Dorothy Rambo.**

DECEMBER 15 BLACK NATIVITY: An afternoon at The Karamu Theater with the **Vera O. Bouie Circle** to see *Black Nativity* on Saturday, December 15 at 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00. Please see **Linda Laster, Sheila Fantroy** or **Jarmellia Armwood** after the morning worship service in Branch Hall.

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.

