

Antioch Update



All-Saints Meeting: December 17, 2020



Pastor Ausberry

2020 has truly challenged us unlike most years. Through all of the ups and downs God has been faithful. God has promised never to leave us or forsake us. It is times like these when the normal things that we rely upon let us down. I remember my Pastor, the late John Q. Gibbs (Antioch's founding pastor) as he was battling his illness, shared that *"God had removed all of his crutches, that I can only depend upon God."* Throughout 2020, I have been reminded of Pastor Gibbs' words. Truly, we can ultimately only trust God. We may not understand the why's and wherefore's of what we go through, but we can trust God who never abandons us. *Proverbs 3:5-6 (ESV)⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.*

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All-Saints Meeting

Please save the date for December 17th at 6pm. The All-Saints Meeting is a members only meeting. You must register online to be admitted to the meeting. We will review the 2021 Budget and give an update on other administrative and ministry initiatives. You can register online at www.antioch-church.org.

2020 Christmas Tree Giving

This year we will not be handling packages due to the pandemic. Antioch will provide support to five local Title 1 schools and seven community organizations. In addition, we will provide funding for Christmas gifts to Antioch members. If you would like to contribute to the 2020 Christmas Giving Tree, please indicate a portion of your offering for Christmas giving. If you give electronically, there is a Christmas giving option to identify your Christmas Tree giving.

Thank You

Antioch provided financial gifts to the Capital Area Food Bank, the Lamb Center, two women's shelters, and the INOVA Juniper project during the Thanksgiving Holiday. These funds were used to provide assistance for the food challenged and support for those displaced and coping with difficult times. In addition, Antioch provided support for members during the Holiday.

Thank you for your generosity that continues our purpose at Antioch "Loving God, Loving Others."

In-Person & Online Worship at 8am, 10am & 2pm (2pm Online only); Register online at www.antioch-church.org

Weekly Bible Studies

Wednesday 7pm; Thursday 6am; & Friday 9:30am.

Biblical Foundations Class

Sundays at 1pm; teaching the basics of the christian faith.

Children & Youth Sunday School

Sundays from 9:15am to 9:50am.

AWANA

Ministry for Pre-K through 12th grade, Sundays at 1pm.

Youth Sunday School

(Encounter) 9:15am - 9:45am.

Grief Share Tuesdays at 7:00pm.

(Helping you cope and heal as you grieve the loss of a loved one.)

Home Group Studies (HGS)

Home based independent study at your own pace.

Military Care & Share Ministry

2nd Saturday of the Month at 10am to 12noon.

Millennial Mondays

2nd Mondays at 7pm.

Singles Chat & Chill

2nd Saturdays at 7pm.

TUESDAY AM PRAYER CALL:

7:00 a.m. to 7:30 am, call (701) 802-5047, access code is 1846260.

CrisisLink: 703-527-4077

Suicide Prevention: 800-273-8255

Crisis Text: "855-11"

Save The Date: Prayer Time

Music & Worship Ministry Christmas Presentation:

December 24th at 6pm, December 25th at 12 noon and 6pm, and December 26th at 5pm. All presentations will be online only and accessible via www.antioch-church.org.

December 31st:

Praying in the New Year, virtual hour of prayer from 6pm to 7pm; rebroadcast at 11pm.

Home Group Study (HGS)

Our next HGS study "Exodus" will begin the week of December 20th. This six week series will remind us that we should not despair during difficult times, but rather rely on God's goodness and power. For more information, please visit the www.antioch-church.org or contact Pastor of Family Life, Rev. Alan Harris at aharris@antioch-church.org.

FYI:

Thanks for viewing the Antioch worship service broadcast each Sunday at 8am, 10am, and the rebroadcast at 2pm. Several of you have shared that on certain media the broadcast image was dark and/or fuzzy. To overcome this, we have added pulpit lighting that will enhance your remote viewing and provide better projection of our worship services. As we look to the future, we continually make upgrades to our broadcast. Thanks for your feedback!

Connect with Antioch

Did you know that there are now over 1,200 followers of Antioch on our Facebook. Thanks for following Antioch on Facebook. If you are not, please follow Antioch on all of our social media and keep spreading the word.

Follow Antioch on social media and share with your friends and family. **Twitter:** [@AntiochFFX](https://twitter.com/AntiochFFX); **Instagram:** [AntiochFFX](https://www.instagram.com/AntiochFFX); and **Facebook:** [AntiochFFX](https://www.facebook.com/AntiochFFX); follow Pastor Ausberry on **Twitter** [@MAusberry](https://twitter.com/MAusberry).

Prayer

Please pray for Brother Curtis Taylor and pray for an end to the COVID-19 virus; pray for a peaceful transition of power. Please pray for the Biden-Harris and the Trump-Pence administrations.

Please pray for God's comfort for those who are in a season of bereavement.

Please pray for your unsaved friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers, pray that they come to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Ask God to help you share your faith in Jesus with the unsaved.