“Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.”
-Corrie ten Boom
THE ACT OF WORSHIP  
The Second Sunday of Eastertide  
April 19, 2020  
Ten-thirty o’clock

PREPARATION AND PRAISE
The worship of God begins this morning as you enter the Sanctuary. You are encouraged to use these moments for meditation, reflection and prayer. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your fellowship with those around you.

The Meditation of Preparation
“The life of faith is a life of gratitude - a life in which we are willing to experience our complete dependence upon God and to praise and thank God unceasingly for the gift of being.”
-Henri Nouwen

The Prelude
“Christ Is Risen” Pethel

*The Procesional Hymn No. 254 “Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven” ODE TO JOY

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise:
sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise;
he who on the cross a victim for the world’s salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:
see the ancient powers of evil in confusion and retreat;
once he died, and once was buried: now he lives forever more,
Jesus Christ the world’s Redeemer, whom we worship and adore.

Christ is risen, we are risen! Set your hearts on things above:
there in all the Father’s glory lives and reigns our King of love;
hear the word of peace he brings us, see his wounded hands and side;
now let every wrong be ended, every sin be crucified.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high!
Alleluia to the Savior who has gained the victory!
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia to the Triune Majesty!

*The Litany of Praise Kimberly Blount

Leader: The Lord be with you;
People: And also with you.

Leader: Breathe upon us, Lord Christ;
People: The breath of love and peace,
Leader: The breath of perfect love,
All: The breath of the Spirit of God.

*The Gloria Patri No. 807: “Glory Be to the Father” MEINEKE

*The Prayer of Invocation Kimberly Blount

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons Psalm 16
I Peter 1:3-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

STUDENT NEWS:

Escape Zoom (part 2):
Friday night at 7:30 p.m. We will keep following the clues to try and find the treasure. Contact Major for the link.

Sunday Nights at the (Virtual) Youth House:
Sunday nights at 5:00 p.m, like a normal Sunday night, but on Zoom. Contact Major for the link.

Contact Major at:
major@northminsterbaptist.org

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Children’s Storytime with the Pastors
Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. on Zoom
Each of the Pastors will share a book and we’ll have a brief devotional thought.
Email leslie@northminsterbaptist.org if you would like the Zoom link.

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MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
Every member a minister

Every member of Northminster Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry. The following persons have been called by this congregation to serve as enablers in such ministry.

Pastor Charles Poole
Associate Pastor for Children and Adults Lesley Ratcliff
Associate Pastor for Students Major Treadway
Minister of Music Tim Coker
Organist Sheila Hess
Organist Emeritus Billy Trotter
Pastors’ Secretary/Administrative Assistant Leslie Ward
Financial Secretary Sam South
Receptionist/Secretary Jan Wilson/Neely Grimsley
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CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
Northminster is saddened by the death of Lara Ashley Root Coleman, a member of Northminster since 1996. Christian sympathy is extended to Bo Coleman, Smith Coleman, Jack Root, Lindy Root and all of Lara Ashley’s loved ones and friends.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Jan and Daron Wilson, 5870 Baxter Drive, Jackson MS 39211, and Sunny and David Fowler, 870 Fifth Avenue, Apt. 2E, New York NY 10065, on the death of Jan and Sunny’s uncle, Frank Betts.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
Libby McGee        Pat Walston        R.W. McCarley
Virginia Hamilton  Jack Cochran       Robbie Cross
Vivian Thompson    Martha Collom      Nancy Herrin
Roxanne Aldridge   Gorman Schaffer   Sue Edwards
Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles
Louise Lott, mother of Cindy Griffin
Hazel Smith, mother of Marcia Poole
Mary Hendrick, mother of Janet Clark
Remember those in military service: Bartavian Stanton and Chris Spencer

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Today is the Second Sunday of Eastertide. Our Easter banner, overlaying the Lenten banner, is used to celebrate the Easter season and signify the triumph of Christ’s resurrection and power over death. It is used during Eastertide, the six Sundays following Easter.

The banner bears in gold-colored silk the essential symbol of Christianity, the cross, in its rays of glory, appropriate to the Easter season. Formerly a symbol of shame, the cross has been transformed into the ultimate symbol of hope and salvation for all humanity. The seasonal color for Easter is white, and the background color of the banner can be interpreted as white fractured into many of pure white’s components. The banner’s pale colors represent the purity and divinity of Christ. In the background are the rays of glory of the cross. The rays leading from the cross remind us of a power that rises above defeat, a power that radiates forth affecting the lives it touches. Symbolically, the entire banner overlaps a banner of purple, the color for Lent. This juxtaposition reminds us of the historical connection of the two seasons: Lent and Easter, but leaves no doubt as to the successor.

The banner was designed and made by a Northminster member.

The Caregiving Committee considers it a privilege to pray for each concern that affects our church family. Recognizing the power of prayer, we meet each Monday at 8:30 a.m. in the church conference room for a brief, informal prayer-time and invite all who can to join us. If you have prayer concerns, please call the church office or a member of the Caregiving Committee.

The Deacon of the Week is Paul Smith.
The Caregiving Chair for April is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiving Coordinator for April is Jean Welsh.
The Caregiver of the Week is Faye Barham.
The Liturgist for April is Joe D. Rankin.
The Flowers for April are provided by Lisa Kelly, Joe D. Rankin, Kandy Sims, and Jan Stewart.
The Usher Captain for April is Keith Davis.

CONFESION AND ASSURANCE
The Meditation of Confession
Let us open ourselves completely to your voice; the voice which tells us that God is love, and in Christ all things are new. Renew us. Restore us.
The Silent Prayer
The Assurance of Pardon
The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
The Gospel
Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
The Anthem
“The Recessional Hymn No. 247 “The Day of Resurrection”
The Sermon
“The Day of Resurrection”

TIME OF RESPONSE
“All God asks is that we trust God, that we stand before God in integrity and faith.”

*The Postlude
“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
Powell

*The congregation will please stand.
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Acts 2:14, 22-32 ~ pages 885-886
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I Peter 1:3-9 ~ page 983
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