

STUDENT NEWS:

Sunday Nights at the (Virtual) Youth House: we will continue to meet on Sunday nights at 5:00 pm until we are able to meet in person.

Mystery Trip: tentatively rescheduled for some part of July 11-17 (the week when we would have gone to Passport). More details will be forthcoming - but not too many, it is still a Mystery.

Contact Major at:

major@northminsterbaptist.org

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**Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456**

Though Sunday night children’s activities were scheduled to end Sunday, May 3, we have decided to extend our virtual offering of these activities through May 31. Girls of Grace and Guys 456 are meeting each week via Zoom, and the Atrium lesson is being uploaded to YouTube each week. If you would like links to any of these activities, please contact Lesley at [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org) or 601.927.0259.

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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 lesley@northminsterbaptist.org if you would like the Zoom link.

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**Meals on Wheels**

Drivers to deliver meals are needed on Wednesday, May 20, Monday, May 25, and Monday, June 1. Two drivers from the same household or family are needed for each time. If you are available to deliver meals any of these times, please contact Rebecca Black at 601-981-8375.

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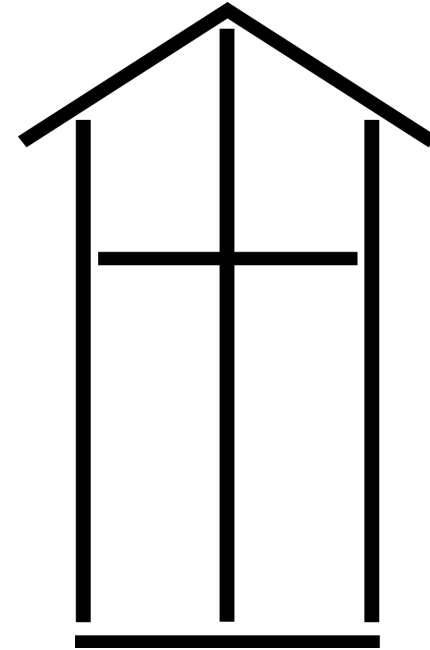
MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

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
Associate Pastor for Children and Adults
Associate Pastor for Students
Minister of Music
Organist
Organist Emeritus
Pastors’ Secretary/Administrative Assistant
Financial Secretary
Receptionist/Secretary
Sexton

Charles Poole
Lesley Ratcliff
Major Treadway
Tim Coker
Sheila Hess
Billy Trotter
Leslie Ward
Sam South
Jan Wilson/Neely Grimsley
Lamenais Simeon



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life.”

-John 14:6

THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Fifth Sunday of Eastertide
May 10, 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

“It may be that when we no longer know what to do,
we have come to our real work;
and when we no longer know which way to go,
we have begun our real journey.
The impeded stream is the one that sings.”

-Wendell Berry (adapted)

The Prelude “Thanks Be to Thee” Handel

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

*The Processional Hymn No. 356 *LASST UNSERFREUEN*

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluia! Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
All ye who are of tender heart, for giving others, take your part,
sing his praises, Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*The Litany of Praise Stewart Boone

Leader: The Lord be with you;
People: And also with you.
Leader: Eternal God, the refuge of all your children, in our weakness
you are our strength.
**People: In our darkness, you are our light; in our sorrow, our comfort
and peace.**
Leader: May we always live in your presence, and serve you in our daily
lives;
All: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

-Boniface (adapted)

CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

Harry Vickery, 5313 Fairway Street, Jackson MS 39211, is hospitalized at Baptist.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

Libby McGee	Pat Walston	R.W. McCarley
Virginia Hamilton	Jack Cochran	Robbie Cross
Vivian Thompson	Martha Collum	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 Fifth Sunday of Eastertide. Our Easter banner, over laying 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 humankind. 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.

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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 Steve Cook.

The Caregiving Chair for May is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinator for May is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiver of the Week is Helen Turner.

The Liturgist for May is Linda McGehee.

The Flowers for May are provided by Joe D. Rankin, Mary Elizabeth Smith  
and Jane Claire Williams.

The Usher Captain for May is Matt Kelly.

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study

For the next few Wednesday evenings, Northminster will offer a virtual Bible study on *Revelation*. To attend/view, simply go to Northminster’s home page and click “Live Video Stream” under the “Watch Live” link. (Or type in www.northminsterbaptist.live.) From there, click “Archives” and select “Education.” Each Wednesday evening, by 5:30, you will see a new study uploaded there. (A PDF of the Wednesday night word search will be attached to an email blast, which will be sent each Wednesday.)

*The Benediction Charles Poole
*The Postlude "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" Grams

**The congregation will please stand.*

The Lectionary passages for May 10 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Acts 7:55-60 ~ page 891
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 ~ pages 439-440
I Peter 2:2-10 ~ page 984
John 14:1-14 ~ page 877

*The Gloria Patri No. 807: "Glory Be to the Father" *MEINEKE*
*The Prayer of Invocation Stewart Boone
The Greeting Major Treadway
The Lessons Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
I Peter 2:2-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSIO AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

"For everything which makes us ashamed when we remember it; forgive us, O God."

-William Barclay

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

The Meditation "God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven"

Burkhardt

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel John 14:1-14

Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

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Lucy Elfert, *soprano*

The Sermon "Glimpses of God"

Charles Poole

TIME OF RESPONSE

"Dearest Lord, be thou a bright flame before us, a guiding star above us, a smooth path beneath us, a kindly shepherd behind us, today and for evermore."

-St. Columba

*The Recessional Hymn No. 689 "The Church's One Foundation" *AURELIA*

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation, by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed:
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forever more,
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.