And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught Peter, and said unto him, “O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?”

-Matthew 14:32
THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 9, 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.

The Meditation of Preparation
“We have but faith; we cannot know; for knowledge is of things we see; and yet we trust it comes from Thee; A beam in darkness: let it grow.”
-Alfred Lord Tennyson

The Prelude
“Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode” Manz

The Spoken Call to Worship
Charles Poole

*The Processional Hymn No. 356 “All Creatures of Our God and King” DENNIS

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,
forgiving 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!

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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**Backpack Blessing Drive Thru**
Sunday, August 16
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

As our children and youth, teachers and administrators, and all school employees, get ready to go back to school, we would like to take time to bless them. The back parking lot will be set up from 5 - 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 16 for anyone who wishes to drive through and be blessed, and receive a zipper pull for their school bags.

Everyone in the car will receive an ice cream cup, so bring the whole family! See you there!

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**Little Free Library Donations**

In June, the Yellow Church summer camp staff welcomed a new addition to Wood Street—a brand new Little Free Library! This library holds books that are available to anyone in the community who would like to come by and grab one (or a few!). The library was thoughtfully and beautifully hand-painted by camp counselor D’Khiyah Matthews, and was mounted in front of the Yellow Church by Dennis Smith and Cade Carpenter.

If you are interested in donating books to keep the Little Free Library well stocked, contact Hilda Boteler for further details.

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**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**Wednesday, August 19**

**Cooks:**
- Shirley Geary
- Jan Stewart
- Rose Mary Porter

**Drivers:**
- Rt. 1: Laine & Bob Hardin
- Rt. 2: Suzanne & Bill Boone

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**Brumfield House**

**August 13**
- Jimmy Allen

**August 20**
- Taylor Beard

**August 27**
- Bryan Bridges

**September 3**
- Chuck Poole

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**Plants For Church Grounds**

With so many of us spending more time at home and working in our gardens, I thought it would be a good time to ask for plants you have that you may be thinning out.

Some of the specific plants we would like to have are: *Hostas, Wood Ferns, Autumn Ferns, Swamp Irises*, perennials like *Daisies, Mexican Petunias, Irises, Black-Eyed Susans*, etc. Please call Joe D. Rankin, Chair, Landscaping and Grounds, 601-942-9356.

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*The Litany of Praise*

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

**Leader:** Glory be to God in the highest; the Lord of heaven and earth.
**People:** Accept, O gracious God, our praise and thanksgiving for your infinite mercies toward us.

**All:** Teach us to love you and serve you better, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- John Hamilton, adapted

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*The Gloria Patri No. 807: “Glory Be to the Father”*  
**Leader:** The Lord be with you;
**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** The Gloria Patri No. 807: “Glory Be to the Father”
**People:** Thanks be to God.

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**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

**The Meditation of Confession**

Of all my prayers, may this be chief: “Till faith is fully grown, Lord, disbelieve my unbelief, and claim me as your own.”

-Fred Pratt Green

**The Silent Prayer**

**The Assurance of Pardon**

**The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

**The Meditation**

"Be Thou My Vision"

-Pinkston

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**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**The Gospel**

Matthew 14:22-33

**Leader:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

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**TIME OF RESPONSE**

“As the rain hides the stars, as autumn mist hides the hills, as the clouds veil the blue of the sky, so the dark happenings of my lot hide the shining of your face from me. Yet, if I may hold your hand in darkness, it is enough; since I know that, though I may stumble in my going, you do not fall.”

-Alistair MacLean, adapted
Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear;  
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

*The Recessional Hymn No. 708 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”  
DENNIS

*The Benediction  
Charles Poole

*The Postlude  
“O God Beyond All Praising”  
Lasky

*The congregation will please stand.

The Lectionary passages for August 9 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 ~ page 30
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b ~ pages 484-485
Romans 10:5-15 ~ page 921
Matthew 14:22-33 ~ page 796

CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
CONGRATULATIONS to Becker and Weatherly Sams on the birth of their daughter, Lawson Elizabeth Sams. Lawson is also welcomed by Farren Rose Sams, and by Lee and Kathryn Sams.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Jean and Kelley Williams on the death of Jean's brother, Bob Pittman. And also to Kelley, Jr., George, and Cliff Williams and their families.

J. George Smith is recovering after surgery.
Jan Wilson is recovering after surgery.
Linda McGehee is recovering after surgery.
Sue Edwards is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:
Merle Dean  Robyn Chunn  R.W. McCarley
Pat Walston  Jack Cochran  Robbie Cross
Vivian Thompson  Martha Collum  Nancy Herrin
Roxanne Aldridge  Gorman Schaffer  Libby McGee
Virginia Hamilton
Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles
Louise Lott, mother of Cindy Griffin
Hazel Smith, mother of Marcia Poole

Remember those in military service: Chris Spencer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost. The Season after Pentecost celebrates the existence of the church and the presence of the Holy Spirit in the world. The liturgical color is green, symbolic of the church's growth and mission. The Tree of Life (Genesis 2:9, Revelation 22:1-2) which rises above the baptistry, and is woven into our paraments, underscores this liturgical season's emphasis on the living, growing Kingdom of God.

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 Nancy Smith.
The Caregiving Chair for August is Steve Godbold.
The Caregiving Coordinators for August are Susie Friou and Susan O'Mara.
The Caregiver of the Week is Jo Ann Welch.
The Liturgist for August is Linda McGehee.
The Flowers for August are provided by Jill Buckley, Lida Caraway, Ann Lauman and Ann Vickery.
The Usher Captain for August is Matt Kelly.

The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the birth of Lawson Elizabeth Sams. The proud parents are Becker and Weatherly Sams.