

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

"Break down, Lord, the screens of pretense and evasion behind which we hide. We want to hear the Word you speak to us. You are God. Bring us back to yourself, the only source of our life and hope." -Edmund Barnyard

### THE ACT OF WORSHIP

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 23, 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

To be fully human, fully ourself, To accept all that we are, all that you envision, This is our prayer. Walk with us out to the rim of life, Bevond security. Take us to the exquisite edge of courage, And release us to become. -Sue Monk Kidd, adapted

The Prelude

"My Faithful Heart Rejoices"

Brahms

The Spoken Call to Worship

Charles Poole

\*The Processional Hymn No. 45 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise his name - I'm fixed upon it-name of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I've come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

\*The Litany of Praise

The Greeting

Major Treadway

Leader:	The Lord be with you;				
People:	And also with you.				
Leader:	God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that power belongs to you.				
People:	Today you offer us your power, so that we can help announce your kingdom.				
All:	For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever.				
-Diego Frisch, adapted					
*The Gloria Patri N	No. 807:	"Glory Be to the Father"	MEINEKE		
*The Prayer of Invocation			Caroline Crisler		

#### **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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## Caroline Crisler

# **BACK-TO-YOUTH NIGHT:**

# Tonight, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

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Students: 4:30 on the Basketball Court **Parents:** 4:45 in the Amphitheater

Students will scatter for a scavenger hunt. Parents will stay behind for a meeting with Major. Students and Parents will eat dinner together while we see what treasures the students have uncovered.

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MEALS ON WHEELS Monday, August 24	People:	It is our privilege to make a place for them, for they belong to us, just as we all belong to God.			
Cooks:Drivers:Becky WooleyRt. 1Tricia ScottRt. 2Mona & Johnny EvansPolly Watkins	1	As we officially welcome our first graders to worship today, we present them with Bibles inscribed with their own names, praying that, as the Scripture is placed into their hands, so it will become written upon their hearts.			
Brumfield House	2	Together we give thanks for the children of our congregation and for the Bible; both gifts from God to help us all learn and grow.			
<u>August 27</u> Bryan Bridges	The Lessons	Psalm 124 Romans 12:1-8	Major Treadway		
September 3 Chuck Poole	Lead Peoj				
<u>September 10</u> Mike Peters		CONFESSION AND ASSURANC	CE		
September 17 Jeff Stancill	The Meditation of Confession Oh my God, forgive what we have been, correct what we are, and direct what we shall be.				
	shan be.	-Elizabeth S	Southwell, adapted		
	The Silent Pra	ayer	-		
	The Assuranc	e of Pardon			
	The Morning	Prayer and Lord's Prayer	Major Treadway		
	The Meditatio	on "Andante"	Telemann		
	The Gospel Lead <b>Peo</b> j	1	Charles Poole		
	The Anthem	"My Heart Ever Faithful" Pam Wardlaw Steadman, <i>soprano</i>	Bach		
	The Sermon	"Concerning Transformation"	Charles Poole		
		TIME OF RESPONSE			
		of us all, go on making us, and let us help Thee. child, but it is Thy children that pray to Thee.			

The Presentation of Bibles to First Graders

Adella Calhoon Quinn Caroline Claire Samuels

Evelyn Gayle Sims

Amelia Lynn Champion Blair Cox Ely Sybil Catherine Frame

Ann Arrington Long

-Sue Monk Kidd, adapted

Ellen Ruth Stancill

Edward Baron Vance

Sadie Lawrence Veazey

*The Recessional Hymn No. 634 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA			CAREGIVING CONCERNS:		
Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty - hold me with thy powerful hand: Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, (want no more,) feed me till I want no more.			CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS: Mary Elizabeth Smith is recovering after surgery.		
let the fire and clo Strong Deliverer,	stal fountain, whence the healing str udy pillar lead me all my journey th strong Deliverer, be thou still by str ld,) be thou still my strength and shi	hrough: rength and shield,	Linda McGehee Merle Dean Pat Walston Vivian Thompson	Sue Edwards Robyn Chunn Jack Cochran Martha Collum	Virginia Hamilton R.W. McCarley Robbie Cross Nancy Herrin
death of death, an Songs of praises, s	verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fear d hell's destruction, land me safe on songs of praises I will ever give to the ill ever give to thee.	Roxanne Aldridge Gorman Schaffer Libby McGee Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles Louise Lott, mother of Cindy Griffin Hazel Smith, mother of Marcia Poole			
	in ever give to thee.		Remember those in military service: Chris Spencer		
The Benediction Charles Poole			ANNOUNCEMENTS		
*The Postlude * <i>The congregation will pla</i>	"Celebration" ease stand.	Callahan	<b>Today is the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost</b> . The Season celebrates the existence of the church and the presence of the Holy The liturgical color is green, symbolic of the church's growth and the presence of the church and the presence of the		

The Lectionary passages for August 23 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Exodus 1:8-2:10 ~ page 43 Psalm 124 ~ page 498 Romans 12:1-8 ~ page 922 Matthew 16:13-20 ~ page 798 **Today is the Twelfth 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 Paul Smith.

The Caregiving Chair for August is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinators for August are Susie Friou and Susan O'Mara.

The Caregivers of the Week are Mary and Chico Taylor.

The Liturgist for August is Linda McGehee.

The Flowers for August are provided by Jill Buckley, Lida Caraway, Susie Friou, Ann Lauman and Ann Vickery.

The Usher Captain for August is Matt Kelly.

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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.