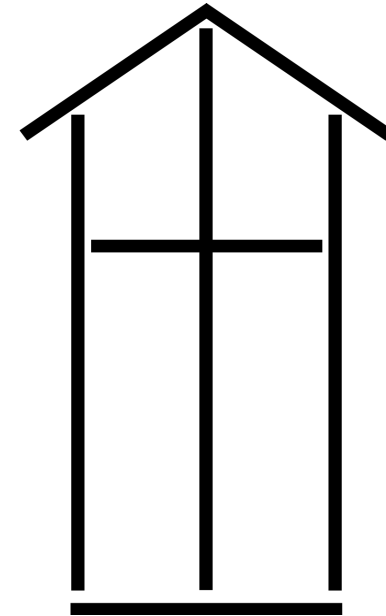


MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
Every member a minister

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
Sexton	Lamenais Simeon



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**THE CHURCH IN SERVICE**

**Sunday, January 17**

10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Livestream  
5:00 p.m. Sunday Nights at the Youth House,  
7th-9th Grade, GH  
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, Livestream  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights at the Youth House,  
10th-12th Grade, GH

**Monday, January 18**

8:30 a.m. Caregiving Committee, Zoom  
9:00 a.m. MLK Service Day, Yellow Church

**Wednesday, January 20**

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

**Sunday, January 24**

10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Livestream  
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, Livestream

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**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

Where could I go to escape from You?  
Where could I hide from Your presence?  
If I went up to Heaven, you would be there;  
if I were to lie down in the world of the dead,  
you would be there. If I flew away beyond the east,  
or lived in the farthest place in the west,  
you would be there to guide me.  
I could ask the darkness to hide me or the night  
round me to turn into light,  
but even darkness is not dark for you,  
and the night is as bright as the day.  
I am blessed to call you my God, the God of eternal love!  
-Psalm 139, *adapted*

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**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**The Second Sunday After Epiphany**  
January 17, 2021  
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

O knit my thankful heart to Thee,  
My joy, my treasure, and my crown!  
Thine wholly Thine, alone I am.  
Be Thou alone my constant flame.

-John Wesley

The Prelude "All Glory Be to God on High" Manz

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

\*The Processional Hymn No. 62 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" *ST. DENIO*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish—but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all praise we would render; O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

\*The Litany of Praise Mary Elise Byrd

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lord, you have searched me, you know everything I do;

**People: Therefore, know my heart, O God.**

Leader: When I rise, Lord, and when I lie down, you are with me.

**People: Show me my heart, O God.**

Leader: Before I speak, you hear me,  
Your presence follows day by day.

**All: Reveal my true heart, O God.**  
**And, therefore, I will sing your praise with my whole heart**  
**and my whole life!**

**The Northminster Directory**

Do you need to change your picture, address or other directory information?

Do you need an updated digital Northminster Directory?

Email Neely or Jan in the church office  
([neely@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:neely@northminsterbaptist.org) or [jan@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:jan@northminsterbaptist.org)).

We will update your listing and add you to the list to  
receive an updated digital directory a few times a year.

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MEALS ON WHEELS
Wednesday, January 20

Cooks: Jo Ann Welch Rt. 1 Nancy Smith & Amy Finkelberg
Carolyn McIntyre Rt. 2 Susie Friou & Kurt Metzner
Shari Culver

Monday, January 25

Cooks: Gail England Rt. 1 Julie & Dudley Wooley
Ann Calhoon Rt. 2 Mona & Johnny Evans
Kelly Hicks

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**Brumfield House**

**January 21**  
Taylor Beard

**January 28**  
Tom Starling

**February 4**  
Scott Wilson

**February 11**  
Jimmy Allen

**February 18**  
Ginger Parham

**STUDENT NEWS:**

**Sunday Nights at the Youth House: Tonight in the Great Hall!**

7th-9th grade, 5:00-6:30pm; 10th-12th grade, 6:00-7:30pm.

Join us for good fellowship, good food, and good fun.

**MLK Service Day: Tomorrow! 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

See details below.

**Youth Sunday: January 31**

The Youth of Northminster lead the congregation in worship.



**Adult Studies**

**Bible 101 with Dr. Roger Greene**

Sundays, January 17-31 and February 14-28

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Studies will return on January 17 at 5:30 p.m. and will be livestreamed from the Sanctuary.

**Tonight, January 24 and 31,** Dr. Greene will help us rethink the Ministry of Paul, dig deeper into the themes of Paul’s letters and examine several significant passages from Paul’s writings.

Handouts for tonight’s session will be available at [northminsterbaptist.org](http://northminsterbaptist.org) > Watch Live >

[Click Here for the Worship Service Bulletin](#)

On **February 14, 21 and 28,** Dr. Greene will lead us through a deeper study of Ephesians. We hope that you will join us for this wonderful opportunity for study!



**MLK Service Day**

**Tomorrow ~ 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

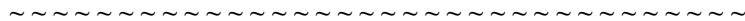
Children in 1st-6th grade, Youth and Adults will gather at the Yellow Church (1622 Wood Street), then break into work groups.

After some work, sack lunches will be available to be eaten outside the Yellow Church or as take away.

Please wear a mask. If you have work gloves, wear them.

Some will be available for those that do not have them.

If you have questions, please contact Major or Lesley.



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

MEINEKE

\*The Prayer of Invocation

Mary Elise Byrd

The Greeting

Major Treadway

The Lessons

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
I Corinthians 6:12-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

If we seek holiness, we must first renounce our own way and our own wisdom. We must “empty ourselves” as God did. We must “deny ourselves” and in some sense make ourselves “nothing” in order that we may live in the reality of God’s presence.

-Thomas Merton

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

The Meditation “How Firm a Foundation”

Linker

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

The Gospel

John 1:43-51

Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem

“If I Say That You Are Holy”  
Pam Wardlaw Steadman, *soprano*

Burkhardt

The Sermon

“A Sermon on Psalm 139”

Charles Poole

**TIME OF RESPONSE**

God, who knows our hearts, is greater than we could ever be. God is good, loving, wise, and powerful. This is the God to whom we respond and whom we love. Thanks be to God!

\*The Recessional Hymn No. 21 "How Great Thou Art" *O STORE GUD*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout, the universe displayed.

**Refrain:**

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
how great thou art, how great thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

**Refrain:**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin.

**Refrain:**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art."

**Refrain:**

\*The Benediction Charles Poole

\*The Postlude "Christian People, Raise Your Song" Powell


**\*The congregation will please stand.**

**The Lectionary passages for January 17 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:**

- I Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) ~ pages 215-216
- Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18 ~ page 503
- I Corinthians 6:12-20 ~ page 929
- John 1:43-51 ~ page 863

**CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

**CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

 Northminster is saddened by the death of Dudley Wilson, our first pastor, who served here from 1967 until 1975. Christian sympathy is extended to Cindy Wilson, Jeff Wilson, Beth Wilson Peterson and their families; and also to Frances Wilson Lester's family.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Annette and Billy Trotter, on the death of Annette's brother-in-law, Johnny Marengo.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Pam and Tommy Steadman, on the death of Pam's mother, Christine Ellis.

Eda Jackson is hospitalized at St. Dominic.

**ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

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|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Merle Dean       | Sue Edwards     | Virginia Hamilton |
| Libby McGee      | Robyn Chunn     | R.W. McCarley     |
| Pat Walston      | Jack Cochran    | Robbie Cross      |
| Vivian Thompson  | Martha Collum   | Nancy Herrin      |
| Roxanne Aldridge | Gorman Schaffer |                   |

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles  
Louise Lott, mother of Cindy Griffin

Remember those in military service: Chris Spencer

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today is the Second Sunday after Epiphany.** Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of God in Jesus Christ. The season after Epiphany continues that emphasis, calling attention to the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry. The liturgical color for the Sundays after Epiphany is green.



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 Smith Boykin.

The Caregiving Chair for January is Annette Hitt.

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

The Caregiver of the Week is Carolyn McIntyre.

The Liturgist for January is Richard Joiner.

The Flowers for January are provided by Jennifer Stribling.

The Usher Captain for January is Dawn Warrington.