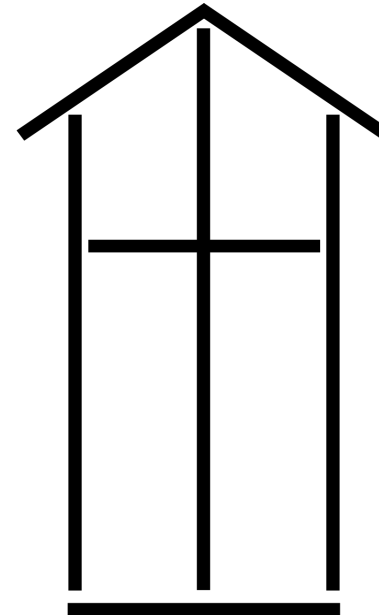


MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
Every member a minister

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Then Pilate asked Jesus, "Are You the King of the Jews?"
 Jesus answered and said to him,
 "It is as you say."

-Mark 15:2

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**THE CHURCH IN SERVICE**

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| <b>Sunday, March 28</b>    |                                         |
| 8:00 a.m.                  | Nursery Opens                           |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Worship Service                         |
| 9:00 a.m.                  | Mentor Kickoff                          |
| 10:30 a.m.                 | Worship Service                         |
| 11:30 a.m.                 | Mentor Lunch, GH                        |
| 5:00 p.m.                  | Sunday Nights at the Youth House, GH    |
| 5:00 p.m.                  | Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456     |
| 5:30 p.m.                  | Adult Studies, Sanctuary and Zoom       |
| <b>Monday, March 29</b>    |                                         |
| 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.        | Holy Week Meditations, Sanctuary        |
| 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.        | Chapel Communion                        |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Caregiving Committee, Zoom              |
| <b>Tuesday, March 30</b>   |                                         |
| 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.        | Holy Week Meditations, Sanctuary        |
| 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.        | Chapel Communion                        |
| <b>Wednesday, March 31</b> |                                         |
| 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.        | Holy Week Meditations, Sanctuary        |
| 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.        | Chapel Communion                        |
| <b>Thursday, April 1</b>   |                                         |
| 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.        | Holy Week Meditations, Sanctuary        |
| 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.        | Chapel Communion                        |
| 7:00 p.m.                  | Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary      |
| <b>Friday, April 2</b>     |                                         |
| 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.        | Holy Week Meditations, Sanctuary        |
| 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.        | Chapel Communion                        |
| 7:00 p.m.                  | Good Friday Tenebrae Service, Sanctuary |
| <b>Saturday, April 3</b>   |                                         |
| 9:30 a.m.                  | Youth Cook for Stewpot                  |
| <b>Sunday, April 4</b>     |                                         |
| 8:00 a.m.                  | Nursery Opens                           |
| 8:30 a.m.                  | Worship Service                         |
| 10:30 a.m.                 | Worship Service                         |
|                            | <i>No Evening Activities</i>            |

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**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**Palm/Passion Sunday**  
March 28, 2021  
Eight-thirty o'clock  
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

“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a servant, and coming in human likeness...”

-Philippians 2:5-7

The Prelude “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” Pethel

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

\*The Procession of the Lenten Banner Watts Everett

\*The Palm Sunday Procession of Children

\*The Processional Hymn No. 203 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” *ELLACOMBE*

Hosanna, loud Hosanna, the little children sang;  
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang;  
to Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,  
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed ‘mid an exultant crowd,  
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;  
the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,  
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” That ancient song we sing,  
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King;  
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,  
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

\*The Litany of Praise Ryder Taff

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;

**People: The mercy of the Lord endures forever.**

Leader: Let Israel now say,

**All: The mercy of the Lord endures forever.**

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

\*The Prayer of Invocation Ryder Taff

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Isaiah 50:4-9  
Philippians 2:5-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Adult Studies**

**Sunday Evenings at 5:30 p.m.**

**Tonight, April 11, 18 and 25**

**Sanctuary and via Zoom link**

After a year of struggling to connect in many of the ways that were familiar to us, the Adult Ministries committee is providing this offering as a way of re-connecting with our family of faith in Adult Studies.

Each week, we’ll consider a different question. Each session will include time for a member of our Family of Faith to answer the week’s question for all of us, a brief explanation of the question, and small group exploration of the question.

Tonight, we will explore the question “Who was there?” and you will be invited to share your answer in a small discussion group. If you’d like to think about your answer ahead of time, think about the people in your life who are hovering in your most important stories, and choose one or two to share about over a few minutes time.

We hope you’ll join us for this Adult Studies series!

If you have questions or would like the Zoom link, please contact Lesley Ratcliff at 601.982.4703 or [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org)

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Sunday Night Children’s Activities

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Tonight, April 11, 18 and 25, and May 2

Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456 has returned in-person!

Childcare is available from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for any children whose grown-ups are participating in Adult Studies.

We will not serve supper.

If your child would like to participate, please RSVP by calling the church office or emailing lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

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**Women’s Book Study**

*Dusk Night Dawn*

by Anne Lamott

Tuesdays, April 6 – May 4 on Zoom

We are offering a morning group and evening group.

Morning group meets 10:00am – 11:30am

Evening group meets 6:00pm – 7:30pm.

Books are available in the church office for \$16.

Call or email Lesley at 601-982-4703 or [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org) with questions or to sign up and receive the Zoom links.

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The church office will be closed

Monday, April 5.

(For pastoral care needs, call 601-259-7993.)

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**Caregivers will meet Tuesday, April 6.**

**STUDENT NEWS:**

**Sunday Nights at the Youth House:** Tonight, Great Hall, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Join us for a shared meal, games, lessons, prayer, and fellowship.

**Stewpot:** Saturday, April 3, at 9:30 a.m. We will gather in the Great Hall kitchen and prepare a meal to be served at Stewpot, then we will eat lunch together. Due to limitations at Stewpot, this event will be limited to ten students.

Email Major ([major@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:major@northminsterbaptist.org)) to sign up.

**Passport:** June 12-18. A wonderful week like no other. Sign-ups coming soon.

**Mystery Trip:** July 15-23. Sign-ups coming soon.

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HOLY WEEK AT NORTHMINSTER

Monday, March 29 - Friday, April 2

Holy Week Meditations

Monday - Friday
Sanctuary
7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Communion in the Chapel

Monday - Friday
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Maunder Thursday Communion

Sanctuary - 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Tenebrae

Sanctuary - 7:00 p.m.

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**Easter Sunday Services**

**April 4**

**8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

*Please remember to bring flowers  
for the flowering of the cross  
on Easter Sunday.*

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Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic

Wednesday, April 7

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join us for the annual
Easter Egg Hunt in the Youth House Backyard!

Preschool and Elementary aged children can bring
their baskets and will hunt for eggs at 5:45 p.m.

We'll have a boxed picnic so bring your picnic blanket
and camp chairs, and come join the festivities!

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**Nursery Re-opening**

We have resumed offering childcare during the worship service. For March 28 and  
April 4, childcare will be available at the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services.

If you would like to bring your child to the nursery, please contact the office or  
Lesley Ratcliff([lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org)) to make a reservation.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, April 5

Cooks:

Lisa Cobb
Annette Hitt
Kandy Sims

Drivers:

Rt. 1 Susan & Charles O'Mara
Rt. 2 Mona & Johnny Evans

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

“Enter into your mind’s chamber. Shut out everything but God, and whatever
helps you seek God; and when you have shut the door, look for God...”

-Saint Anselm, *adapted*

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Major Treadway

The Meditation

“Were You There?”

Wells

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Mark 11:1-11

Charles Poole

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

The Anthem

“The Palms”
Shirley Foster, *soprano*

Fauré

The Sermon

“In Accordance With a Single Certainty”

Charles Poole

TIME OF RESPONSE

*When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.*

-*What Wondrous Love Is This*

*The Recessional Hymn No. 213 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

HAMBURG

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

*The Benediction

Charles Poole

*The Postlude

“Fugue on the Kyrie”

Couperin

**The congregation will please stand.*

The Lectionary passages for March 28 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Isaiah 50:4-9 ~ page 596
Psalm 31:9-16 ~ pages 439-440
Philippians 2:5-11 ~ page 954
Mark 11:1-11 ~ page 823

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*In observance of the Lenten season, only candles and the Bible will be placed on the communion table, reminding us of this prayerful Lenten journey, until the grace of Easter blooms again.*

*The Northminster Flower Committee*

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The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the birth of Eleanor Delle Peters. The proud parents are Mitch and Ceejaye Peters.

CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

CONGRATULATIONS to Mitch and Ceejaye Peters on the birth of their daughter, Eleanor Delle Peters. Eleanor is also welcomed by Anna Mitchell and Elizabeth Peters and Mike and Anne Peters.

Stephen Oakes is recovering after surgery.

Cheryl Coker is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

Merle Dean	Sue Edwards	Robyn Chunn
Libby McGee	Nancy Herrin	Virginia Hamilton
Pat Walston	Jack Cochran	R.W. McCarley
Vivian Thompson	Martha Collum	Robbie Cross
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 Palm/Passion Sunday, the day commemorating our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Palm Sunday stands at the beginning of Holy Week, the seven-day period preceding Easter which recalls the Passion of Jesus. Today is also the final Sunday in the season of Lent. The liturgical color is purple.

Our Lenten banner is a visual symbol of Christ's sacrifice. The images of the cross, thorns, and spear remind us of his agony on our behalf. The pattern is broken, reminding us of the power of the cross, the disruption of evil, and a life broken for us. The purple recalls the penitential color of Lent and the red reminds us of sacrifice.

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 Jennifer Stribling.

The Caregiving Chair for March is Sarah Reynolds.

The Caregiving Chair for April is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinator for March is Sheila Nicholas.

The Caregiving Coordinator for April is Gail England.

The Caregivers of the Week are Cathy and Jeff Davis.

The Liturgist for March is Monica Daniels.

The Liturgist for April is Gray Jackson.

The Flowers for March are provided by Kathryn Davis and Lisa Kelly.

The Flowers for April are provided by Lisa Kelly, Mary Elizabeth Smith,

Joe D. Rankin, and Becky Frame.

The Usher Captains for March are Nancy Smith and Sylvia Carraway.

The Usher Captain for April is Keith Davis.

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Brumfield House

April 1

Chuck Poole

April 8

Joe Sims