



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“Then they willingly received Jesus into the ship; and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went.”

-John 6:21

THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 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

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge the Lord and the Lord shall direct thy paths.”

-Proverbs 3:5-6

The Prelude “When Morning Gilds the Skies” Larson

The Call to Worship The Children of Bible Camp

It's important to love the people around you
By loving them you're loving Jesus too.
Mary and Martha love in different ways;
Loving Jesus makes us all the same.

Chorus: *Everyone is big enough...big enough to do something.*

It's important to know; It's important to see.
Everyone around us is our family.
The woman at the well carried years of blame.
But Jesus gave her love to replace the shame.

Chorus:

You don't have to be old; you don't have to be tall.
You don't have to be young; you don't have to be small.
God made time for children and many saw,
We're here to tell you God loves us all.

Chorus:

*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.

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 CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, July 25

9:00 a.m. Bible Camp, NCC
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service, GH

Monday, July 26

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, July 27

5:00 p.m. Columbarium Committee, L/CR
7:00 p.m. Youth Movie Night, Away

Wednesday, July 28

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
5:30 p.m. Delta Hands for Hope Walk,
Northminster Parking Lot
Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 30

7:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m. JPS Beautification Day, Away

Sunday, August 1

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion, GH

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, July, 26

Cooks:

Ann Calhoun
Missy Caver
Gail England

Drivers:

Rt. 1 Jean & Kelley Williams
Rt. 2 Cathy & Jeff Davis

Monday, August 2

Cooks:

Peggy Brady
Patsy Caraway
Amanda Milam

Drivers:

Rt. 1 Luke Dove & Bob Hardin
Rt. 2 Kay Allen & Geri Smith

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\*The Litany of Praise

Norman Perkins

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: It is good to praise the Lord, and to make music to the name of the Lord,

**People: Proclaiming God's love in the morning, and the faithfulness of the Lord at night,**

Leader: To the music of the ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp.

**People: For you make us glad by your deeds, O Lord.**

**All: We sing for joy at what your hands have done.**

-Psalm 92:1-4

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

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\*The Prayer of Invocation

Norman Perkins

The Greeting

Major Treadway

The Lessons

II Kings 4:42-44  
Ephesians 3:14-21

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

"Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way! Thou art the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me after Thy will. While I am waiting, yielded and still."

-Adelaide A. Pollard

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Major Treadway

**INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION**

\*The Offertory Hymn No. 433 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" GERMANY

Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
where sound the cries of race and clan,  
above the noise of selfish strife we  
hear your voice, O Son of Man!

In haunts of wretchedness and need,  
on shadowed thresholds dark with fears,  
from paths where hide the lures of greed  
we catch the vision of your tears.

The cup of water given for you  
still holds the freshness of your grace;  
yet long these multitudes to view  
the strong compassion of your face.

O Master, from the mountainside,  
make haste to hear these hearts of pain;  
among these restless throngs abide,  
O tread the city's streets again;

Till all the world shall learn your love  
and follow where your feet have trod:  
till glorious from your heaven above  
shall come the city of our God.

\*The Offertory Prayer Norman Perkins  
 The Offertory "Still, Still with Thee" Forrest  
 \*The Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

The Gospel John 6:1-21 Charles Poole  
 Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
 People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem "If With All Your Heart" Mendelssohn  
 Farrar Strum, *tenor*

The Sermon "On Standing in Oceans with Thimbles" Charles Poole

**COMMITMENT**

Northminster is an open fellowship that wants to share its gift of life and ministry with others. During the Time of Response, this church extends to you an invitation to membership by your request for baptism, by letter from a sister church, or by statement of your Christian experience in another denomination. If you would like to unite with this covenant community, please express this desire by coming forward at this point of the service.

**TIME OF RESPONSE**

"In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich. It is very easy to overestimate the importance of our own achievements in comparison with what we owe others."

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

\*The Recessional Hymn No. 426 "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" *(see insert)*  
 \*The Benediction Charles Poole  
 \*The Postlude "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Callahan

*\*The congregation will please stand.*

**The Lectionary passages for July 25 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:**

II Kings 4:42-44 ~ page 293  
 Psalm 145:10-18 ~ pages 506-507  
 Ephesians 3:14-21 ~ pages 950-951  
 John 6:1-21 ~ page 867

**Musician for today:**  
 Billy Trotter, *piano*

**COMING SOON!**

**Intergenerational Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing,  
 Backpack Blessing and Ice Cream Social**

**Sunday, August 15  
 5:00 p.m. ~ Great Hall**

If you would like to make homemade ice cream for this event, please contact Lesley Ratcliff (Lesley@northminsterbaptist.org).

**On the Move with Delta Hands for Hope  
 50 Mile Challenge**

This summer we'll be walking, running, rolling, and strolling to raise money for Delta Hands for Hope and Together for Hope. Together for Hope is the CBF rural development coalition serving the 301 counties of persistent rural poverty in America and Delta Hands for Hope is our ministry partner in Shaw, MS.

You can do miles on your own, as well as join us for some fellowship and fun on Wednesday nights at 5:30 until August 4. On August 4, we will meet in the church parking lot, walk to The District for dinner and walk back.

The remaining weeks, we will meet at the church to walk together. We will walk a 1-mile loop so you can walk the distance that works for you! Bikes, strollers, and roller skates welcome!

Individuals will pay for their own dinner. The church will make a \$15 donation to Together for Hope for each person who completes the challenge.

If you'd like to participate, please contact [Lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:Lesley@northminsterbaptist.org) to sign up!

**Brumfield House**

**July 29**

Paul Smith

**August 5**

Skipper Jernigan

**August 12**

Jimmy Allen

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP  
 VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**August 1**

**Firecrackers**

Dabbs and Jeffery Massey

**Sparklers**

Kirby Boteler and Hart Wylie

**August 8**

**Firecrackers**

Krysten and Jay Jernigan

**Sparklers**

Mary McCall and Will McArthur

**STUDENT NEWS:**

**On the Move with Delta Hands for Hope:**

(50 Mile Challenge) - Between now and August 4, if you can walk, run, roll, swim, or stroll 50 miles, Northminster will donate \$15 dollars to Delta Hands for Hope and Together for Hope. You can do these miles on your own, but for those for whom some company would be helpful, some folks will be gathering at the church on Wednesday nights at 5:30 to walk together. On August 4 we'll walk from the church to the District - approximately 1 mile - eat dinner and walk back to the church. If you would like to participate, send me an email or just show up Wednesday at 5:30.

**Summer Challenge:** Recite the books of the Bible in order to Major by Sunday, August 8. Completion of this challenge will result in a flood of serotonin in your brain and Chick-Fil-A gift card in your pocket (plus, you will no longer have to consult the table of contents to find a passage in the Bible).

**Movie Night:** Tuesday, July 27, 6:45-9:00 p.m. - Join us at Cinemark in Pearl to watch Space Jam.

**JPS Beautification Day:** Friday, July 30, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Northminster will be volunteering to help set up classrooms, enhance school entrances, and clean up school grounds at Spann School. If you are looking for service hours, this could be a great opportunity. Please let me know if you want to participate.

**Junior High Dinner:** Wednesday, August 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Elfert's house. If you are in 7th or 8th grade, this dinner is for you. We'll eat, hang out, and talk about what to expect from the year to come in the Youth House.

**Lock-in:** Friday, August 6, 6:00 p.m. - Saturday, August 7, 7:00 a.m. - The Decathlon is back! Come ready to get messy and try for your chance at glory. No sleeping bags necessary, but a change of clothes and a towel are probably in order.

**Stewpot:** Saturday, August 7, 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.

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ELEMENTARY SERVICE DAY & PLAYDATE

Tuesday, August 3

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Children who have completed 1st through 6th grade are invited to join us for a day of service.

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Young children through those who have completed Kindergarten are invited to come play at the church.

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**CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT PROMOTION DAY**

**Sunday, August 15**

School is getting in gear and so are we! On Sunday, August 15, children will be promoted to their next grade level in Sunday School. Children will receive a postcard with the name of their Sunday School class before Promotion Sunday, and will be greeted at the desk in the children's department and walked to their new classrooms.

**CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

**CARE CARDS** may be found in the pew racks, if you would like to write anyone. Place your cards in the offering plate. Cards will be mailed from the church office on Monday morning.

**CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

Libby McGee is recovering after surgery.

**ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

|                 |               |                   |
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| Robbie Cross    | Sue Edwards   | Robyn Chunn       |
| Ann Vickery     | R.W. McCarley | Virginia Hamilton |
| Pat Walston     | Jack Cochran  | Gorman Schaffer   |
| Vivian Thompson | Martha Collum | Roxanne Aldridge  |

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

Remember those in military service: Chris Spencer

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today is the Ninth 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.

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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 Crisler Boone.
The Caregiving Chair for July is Steve Godbold.
The Caregiving Chair for August is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiving Coordinators for July are Faye Barham and Jean Welsh.
The Caregiving Coordinators for August are Kurt and Dianne Metzner.
The Caregivers of the Week are Guy Parker and Jean Welsh.
The Liturgist for July is Gwen Anderson.
The Liturgist for August is Amy Williams.
The Flowers for July are provided by Lynda Street and Kandy Sims.
The Flowers for August are provided by Jane Claire Williams, Jill Buckley, Susan Burnham, Sylvia Carraway and Lida Caraway.
The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.
The Usher Captain for August is Matt Kelly.

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**"Requiem for the Living"  
Sunday, August 29**

On Sunday evening, August 29, at five-thirty, the Northminster Choir will present Dan Forrest's *Requiem for the Living*, in memory of all those for whom, because of the pandemic, we were not able to gather for funerals in the ways to which we are accustomed.

If you have friends who lost loved ones during the pandemic, and were not able to gather for funerals or memorial services in all the usual ways, please invite them to join us, in the sanctuary, at close of day on August 29, as we remember, together, to the rhythms of the Requiem, all of those who have preceded us into the nearer presence of God.