



## **THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

The Lord said to me, “Stand up on your feet and I will speak to you.” As the Lord spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard the Lord speaking to me.

-Ezekiel 2:1-2

**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost**

July 4, 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

“You awaken us to delight in your praise; for you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.”

-St. Augustine of Hippo

The Prelude “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Raney

The Spoken Call to Worship Charles Poole

\*The Processional Hymn No. 802 “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship” *HOLY MANNA*

\*The Litany of Praise Helen Turner

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Unto thee we lift up our eyes,

**People: Oh thou that dwells in the heavens.**

Leader: Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters,

**All: So our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until the Lord will have mercy upon us.**

-Psalm 123:1-2

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

\*The Prayer of Invocation Helen Turner

The Greeting Major Treadway

The Lessons Ezekiel 2:1-5  
II Corinthians 12:2-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

“It is better for us to confess our sins than to harden our hearts.”

-St. Clement I of Rome

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Lesley Ratcliff

**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 CHURCH IN SERVICE**

**Sunday, July 4**

10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion, GH

**Monday, July 5**

*Church Office Closed*

7:30 a.m. Children leave for PassportKids! Camp

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

**Tuesday, July 6**

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR

**Wednesday, July 7**

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR

1:00 p.m. Youth leave for Geyser Falls

5:30 p.m. Delta Hands for Hope Walk,

Northminster Parking Lot

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, July 11**

9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Youth Sunday School, YH

10:30 a.m. Worship Service, GH

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## SPLASH DAY

Wednesday, July 14 ~ 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Children and their families will gather in the backyard at Northminster for water slides, splash pools and sprinkler fun!

You bring your swimsuit, towels and sunscreen and we'll provide a snack supper.

## ELEMENTARY SERVICE DAY & PLAYDATE

Tuesday, August 3

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

Children who have completed 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

## 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).

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

Jonathan Boone	B.B.A., with a minor in Business Management, Mississippi State University
Ben Bowen	B.S.B.A., Business Administration with an emphasis in Entrepreneurship, The University of Southern Mississippi
Breland Parker	J.D., The University of Mississippi School of Law
Corrine Cox Ely	M.S., Psychology, University of Louisiana at Monroe
Harrison Smith	J.D., The University of Mississippi School of Law
Matthew Warren	J.D., The University of Mississippi School of Law
Benjamin Smith	Master of Divinity, Wake Forest University, School of Divinity
Courtney Allen Crump	Doctorate of Ministry, Bexley Seabury Western Theological Seminary
Shelby Wilson	B.B.A., Business Administration, Millsaps College
Stone Caver	B.A., Finance, University of Mississippi
Alston Owen	D.D.S., Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Howard University

*We are seeking the names of those who are graduating this year from college, graduate school, law school, medical school, etc.*

*Please call the church office, 601-982-4703, with degree and school information.*

## INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 21	“How Great Thou Art”	<i>O STORE GUD</i>
*The Offertory Prayer		Helen Turner
The Offertory	“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”	Larkin
*The Doxology		<i>OLD HUNDREDTH</i>

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel	Mark 6:1-13	Charles Poole
Leader:	This is the Gospel of the Lord.	
People:	Thanks be to God	
The Anthem	“At the River ” Jack McDaniel, <i>baritone</i>	Copland
The Sermon	“Concerning the Prophets”	Charles Poole

## THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Call to the Table		Charles Poole
The Communion Litany		
Pastor:	On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, “Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”	
People:	Thanks be to God for the broken bread.	
Pastor:	After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”	
People:	Thanks be to God for the cup.	
Pastor:	Thanks be to God for the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus.	
All:	Thanks be to God for the table of communion.	
The Bread	Worshippers will come forward by the center aisle. Receive the bread and, having received it, return to your seat by the outside aisle.	
The Cup	Worshippers will be served the cup seated in the pews. Take the cup, a symbol of your willingness to receive the Grace of God. Once all have been served, drink the cup together.	

## 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**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-Philippians 4:6-7

- \*The Recessional Hymn No. 517 "The Solid Rock" SOLID ROCK
- \*The Benediction Charles Poole
- \*The Postlude "Now Thank We All Our God" Callahan
- \**The congregation will please stand.*

**The Lectionary passages for July 4 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:**

- Ezekiel 2:1-5 ~ page 673
- Psalm 123 ~ page 498
- II Corinthians 12:2-10 ~ pages 943-944
- Mark 6:1-13 ~ page 817



**SAVE THE DATE**

**BIBLE CAMP  
JULY 23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> 2021**

For Children Ages  
3 Through Rising 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE

Friday 5:30-8:00 p.m. \* Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \* Sunday 9:00-11:30 a.m.

For More Information Contact Neely McGinnis  
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or 769-257-8077



**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 from June 30 through August 4. On July 21 and 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 8**

Joe Sims

**July 15**

Paul Smith

**July 22**

Scott Wilson

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**July 11**

**Firecrackers**

Amy & Matt Thames

**Sparklers**

Taylor & Justin Beard

**July 18**

**Firecrackers**

Amanda & Trey Clark

**Sparklers**

Chris & Colby Kimmel

**STUDENT NEWS:**

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

(50 Mile Challenge) - Between June 30 and August 15, 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. Two of those nights (July 21, 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's at 5:30.

**Worship in the Great Hall:** Starting this Sunday, worship will be in the Great Hall at 10:30 on Sunday mornings.

**Geyser Falls:** Wednesday, July 7, 1:00-7:30pm - We'll travel to Geysers Falls for a day of fun in the sun. Please let Major know if you are going so that he can ensure we have sufficient transportation. Cost: \$20

**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).

**Bible Camp: July 23-25**

Volunteers are needed to help with Bible Camp. All youth are encouraged to volunteer, even rising 7th graders. So, please contact

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or 769-257-8077

if you want to participate. This is a great way to get a few service hours and serve your church family. This invitation is not just for youth . . . Parents of youth are also welcome to share your time and talent.

**Movie Night:** Tuesday, July 27, 7:00-9:00pm - more details on location and movie coming soon.

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**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**Monday July, 5**

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| <b><u>Cooks:</u></b> | <b><u>Drivers:</u></b>          |
| Kandy Sims           | Rt. 1 Becky & Tim Frame         |
| Lisa Cobb            | Rt. 2 Pat Beall & Judy Jernigan |
| Annette Hitt         |                                 |

**Wednesday, July 21**

|                      |                              |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| <b><u>Cooks:</u></b> | <b><u>Drivers:</u></b>       |
| Cathy Davis          | Rt. 1 Beverly & Tim Lawrence |
| Elizabeth Quinn      | Rt. 2 Gwen Anderson &        |
| Sylvia Carraway      | Monica Daniels               |

The Church office will be closed Monday, July 5.

Caregivers will meet Tuesday, July 6.  
(For pastoral care needs, call 601-259-7993.)

**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:**

Northminster is saddened by the death of Victor Prowell Smith, an active member of Northminster since 1979. Christian sympathy is extended to all of Victor's family and friends.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** to Rebecca and Tom Starling on the death of Rebecca's sister, Susan Kean Ard.

Libby McGee is recovering after surgery.

Sandra Crosthwait is recovering after surgery.

**ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

|                 |               |                   |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 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 Sixth 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 Amy Finkelberg.

The Caregiving Chair for July is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinators for July are Faye Barham and Jean Welsh.

The Caregiver of the Week is Katrina Pace.

The Liturgist for July is Gwen Anderson.

The Flowers for July are provided by Lynda Street and Kandy Sims.

The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.

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**Communion and Children**

Communion Sundays are special times of worship at Northminster, and we want all of our children to feel as included as possible. It has been a long-standing tradition at Northminster that each family will decide whether or not non-baptized children can receive Communion. Please know that children who have not yet been baptized and whose families decide that they need to wait to receive Communion can still come forward to receive a blessing from the deacons who are serving Communion. *To signify that they wish to receive the blessing but not Communion, these children simply need to cross their arms over their chests, as if in prayer, when they approach a deacon who is serving the bread.* Hopefully, this option will provide non-baptized children who do not partake in Communion a way to more fully participate in the worship life of our faith community. Jesus Christ said, "Let the little children come to me." Here at Northminster, our desire is to be as welcoming of children as the Savior we follow.