MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH Every member a minister

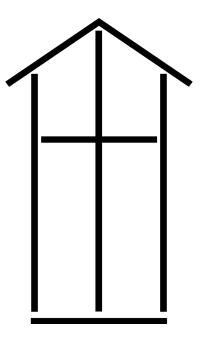
Every member of Northminster Baptist Church, like every disciple of Christ, is commissioned to participate in Christian ministry. The following persons have been called by this congregation to serve as enablers in such ministry.

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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
Wider Net Ministry Coordinator	Rosaline McCoy

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, Septem	aber 19	
9:15	a.m.	Sunday School
10:30		Worship Service
2:00	p.m.	Benjamin Smith Ordination Service
5:00	p.m.	Elementary Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456
5:00	p.m.	Youth, YH
5:30	p.m.	Adult Studies, Sanctuary & Livestream
6:45	p.m.	Deacons' Meeting, L/CR
Monday, Septer	nber 20	ο,
	a.m.	Men on First and Third, GH
	a.m.	Caregiving, L/CR
Tuesday, September 21		
4:30	p.m.	Cancer Support, Courtyard
Wednesday, Sep	ptember 22	
	a.m.	Men's Bible Study, L/CR
5:30	p.m.	Wednesday Nighť Šupper, GH
7:00	p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, September 26		
	a.m.	Sunday School
10:30	a.m.	Worship Service/Baby Dedication
5:00	p.m.	Elementary Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456
5:00	p.m.	Youth, YH
	p.m.	Adult Studies, Sanctuary & Livestream

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

-James 3:18

THE ACT OF WORSHIP The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 19, 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

Loving God, help us to conduct ourselves in a way that will be pleasing to you. We know your love for us is real, genuine, and everlasting. We give you honor and praise.

The Prelude "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Pethel

The Call to Worship

"This Still Room"

Davenport

And so I find it well to come—for deeper rest to this still room,

For here the habit of the soul—Feels less the outer world's control;

For strength of mutual purpose pleads—more earnestly our common needs;

And from the silence multiplied—By these still forms on either side,

The world that time and sense have known—Falls off and leaves us God alone.

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, unhasting, 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

Chesley Quinn

Leader: The Lord be with you; **People:** And also with you.

Leader: How we live matters.

People: Lord, teach us to help, and to do no harm.

Leader: In the blink of an eye, our life can change forever.

All: Praise God from whom our blessings flow.

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

*The Prayer of Invocation Chesley Quinn

The Greeting Major Treadway

Brumfield House

September 23

Scott Wilson

September 30

Jeff Wilson

October 7

Joe Sims

October 14

Crisler Boone

Children's Birthday Gathering Tuesday, September 28 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Children who have a birthday in September are invited to stop by the Northminster Great Hall between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. to enjoy an ice cream treat with Lesley.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Friday, October 8 6:00-10:00 p.m. ~ NCC

You can make a reservation for your children (infant-6th grade) by calling the church office, 601-982-4703, by Wednesday, October 6.

Children should eat before they come or bring supper.

Most children bring a brown bag supper.

We will also have Parents' Night Out on:

November 5 and December 10

Nursery Re-opening

We have resumed offering childcare during the worship service.

Please contact the church office or Lesley Ratcliff (<u>lesley@northminsterbaptist.org</u>) with questions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

SEPTEMBER 22 ~ 5:30 P.M. ~ GREAT HALL \$5.00 PER PERSON; MAXIMUM OF \$20 PER FAMILY NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED.

MENU:

~ Smothered chicken with rice ~

~ Salad ~ Baby Lima Beans ~

~ Yeast Rolls ~

~ Assorted Desserts ~ Tea ~

STUDENT NEWS:

Sunday Nights at the Youth House: Tonight, 5:00 p.m.

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

Stewpot: Saturday, October 2, 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.

ADULT STUDIES

All sessions will take place Sunday Evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary unless otherwise specified, and will also be livestreamed.

BIBLE 101 Tonight

Tonight we will wrap up our Bible 101 series which has been seeking to answer the "who, what, when, where and why" of each book of the Bible. Chuck Poole will lead us in exploring these questions in Hebrews, James, 1-2 Peter, 1-3 John, Jude and Revelation.

CULTURE CHANGE & CONTEXT September 26 and October 3

Karen & Major Treadway will share about their time in Vietnam and Indonesia, and explore how lessons they learned abroad could inspire and inform action in our local context.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

September 26

Jennifer & Christian Byrd Lisa & Farrar Strum

October 3

Christine & Bryan Bridges Amy & Matt Thames

MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, September 27

Cooks:	<u>Drivers</u> :			
Lawanna McLennan	Rt. 1	Becky & Tim Frame/		
Faye Barham		Gayla Purvis		
Gail Poole	Rt. 2	Judy & Skipper Jernigan		

Monday,	October 4
	Drivers:

Cooks:

COURSE	DIII CI S.	
Annette Hitt	Rt. 1	Jean & Kelley Williams
Kandy Sims	Rt. 2	Cathy & Jeff Davis
Lisa Čobb		
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The Lessons

Psalm 1 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

#### **CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

Dear God, give us the wisdom to face our circumstances with a gentle, childlike faith knowing you hold us in your loving arms, and that, when faced with shadows, to know that you are with us, and, we are with you.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Major Treadway

#### INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 539 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" HOUSTON

I want to walk as a child of the light;

I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world,

the star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all; the night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God:

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God;

I want to look at Jesus.

Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,

and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain:

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;

I want to be with Jesus.

When we have run with patience the race,

we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain:

*The Offertory Prayer Chesley Quinn
The Offertory "O Day of Peace" Callahan

*The Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel Mark 9:30-37 Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Blessed Are They" Marshall

Blessed are they who walk not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like a tree planted by streams of water.

The Sermon "Concerning Psalm One" 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

How did Jesus remain patient when wronged? By continually entrusting Himself to the Father.

-Lyndon Shook

*The Recessional Hymn No. 634 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA

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.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, (strength and shield,) be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, (give to thee,) I will ever give to thee.

*The Benediction Charles Poole

*The Postlude "A Song of Wisdom" White

The Lectionary passages for September 19 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Psalm 1 ~ page 424

Jeremiah 11:18-20 ~ pages 622-623

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a ~ page 982

Mark 9:30-37 ~ page 821

#### **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 Jim Martin, a member of Northminster since 1982. Christian sympathy is extended to Gloria Martin, 1244 Arbor Road, Box B-409, Winston Salem, NC 27104, and to all of Jim's family and friends.

Libby McGee, 600 S. Pear Orchard Road, Apt. #220, Ridgeland, MS 39157, is recovering after surgery.

#### ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

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

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

Remember those in military service: Shea Pribyl, Lois Montague's husband.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today is the Seventeenth 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 Taylor Beard.

The Caregiving Chair for September is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinator for September is Gail England.

The Caregivers of the Week are Anne Guidry and Nena Carmody.

The Liturgist for September is Jo Ann Welch.

The Flowers for September are provided by Jane Claire Williams, Lida Caraway, Kandy Sims and Susan Burnham.

The Usher Captains for September are John Tingle, Judy Rankin, Kitty Rushing and Nancy Smith.

All Are Invited to the Ordination

of
Benjamin Smith
Today
Two o'clock in the Afternoon
in the Sanctuary

^{*}The congregation will please stand.