

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
Wider Net Ministry Coordinator

Charles Poole
Lesley Ratcliff
Major Treadway
Tim Coker
Sheila Hess
Billy Trotter
Leslie Ward
Sam South
Jan Wilson/Neely Grimsley
Lamenais Simeon
Rosaline McCoy

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, February 20

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Northminster Essentials, L/CR
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Youth Sunday
11:30 a.m. Luncheon & Dessert Auction, GH
4:30 p.m. Finance Committee, Mary Foose Room
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH
6:45 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

Monday, February 21

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

Tuesday, February 22

10:00 a.m. Women's Book Study, Zoom
5:30 p.m. LRP Committee, L/CR
6:00 p.m. Women's Book Study, GH
7:00 p.m. 9th/10th Stewminster vs St. Matthews

Wednesday, February 23

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH
7:00 p.m. Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, February 24

5:30 p.m. Missions Committee, GH
8:00 p.m. 11th/12th Stewminster vs Ridgecrest

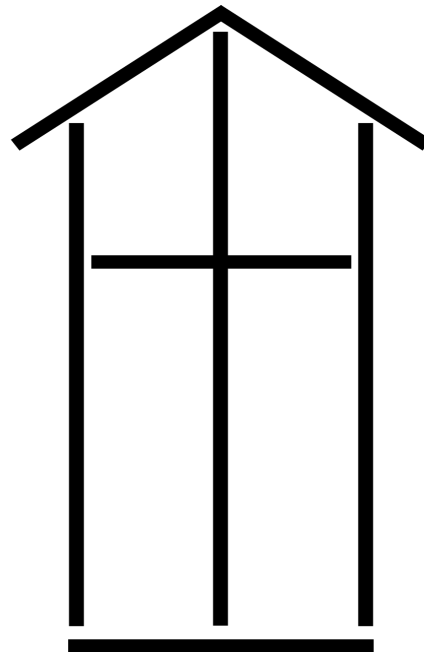
Friday, February 25

6:00 p.m. Growing Up Knowing (Kindergarten-2nd gr.), GH

Sunday, February 27

8:30 a.m. Committee Chairs Meeting., GH
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Northminster Essentials, L/CR
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Baby Dedication
3:30 p.m. Guys vs. Girls, Northminster Backyard
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Our Heavenly Father, please forgive us
when we stray from the path that you
have chosen for us. Please help light the
way, so that we may continue on our journey.

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211

THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
February 20, 2022
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

Forgiveness does not mean ignoring what has been done or putting a false label on an evil act. It means, rather, that the evil act no longer remains as a barrier to the relationship. Forgiveness is a catalyst creating the atmosphere necessary for a fresh start and a new beginning.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

The Prelude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty!" Albrecht

The Spoken Call to Worship Lucy Elfert

*The Processional Hymn No. 20 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" ODE TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother—all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

*The Litany of Praise Roger Stribling

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Trust God and do good.

People: We are blessed by God;

Leader: Be happy in God, because God is faithful.

People: We are blessed by God;

Leader: Follow the ways of God, and trust God to act.

People: We are blessed by God;

Leader: Be still and wait patiently for God to show you the way to follow.

ALL: We are blessed by God. Amen.

- Seasons of the Spirit

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

*The Prayer of Invocation Roger Stribling

The Greeting Logan Massey

The Worship of God on Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, March 2

Supper in the Great Hall at 5:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday Service in
the Sanctuary at 6:15 p.m.

Brumfield House

February 24

Bryan Bridges

March 3

Jeff Wilson

March 10

Joe Sims

Growing Up Knowing

February 25 & March 25

These sessions titled "My Body, My Boundaries" will be offered by local non-profit Growing Up Knowing at Northminster. The session on February 25 at 6:00 p.m. will be for families with children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade, and the session on March 25 at 6:00 p.m. will be for families with children in 3rd through 6th grade.

Sign up with Lesley Ratcliff - lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Friday, March 4 ~ 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, March 2.**

Please remember to feed your children before they arrive, or provide a brown-bag supper.

We will also have Parents' Night Out:

April 8, May 13

Children's Birthday Gathering

Tuesday, March 8 ~ 3:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.

Children who have a birthday in March 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.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

February 27

Chapel Coordinators

Jennifer & Christian Byrd

Firecrackers

Colby & Chris Kimmel

Sparklers

Cortney & Daniel Greer

Northminster Essentials

Sundays through March 6

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Library

If you are seeking to better understand the history and practices of the family of faith called Northminster, whether you are a friend of the church, a prospective or new member wanting to become more involved in the life of the church or a long-time member wanting to expand your knowledge of Northminster, this is the course for you.

For questions or to sign up, please call the church office at 601-982-4703 or email lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

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### MEALS ON WHEELS

#### Monday, February 28

##### Cooks

Polly Watkins

Jean Welsh

Helen Turner

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Tim & Becky Frame/Gayla Purvis

Rt. 2 Mona & Johnny Evans

#### Monday, March 7

##### Cooks

Elizabeth Quinn

Kandy Sims

Wanda Johnson

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Jean & Kelley Williams

Rt. 2 Cathy & Jeff Davis

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Sacred Ground:

A Film-Based Dialogue Series on Race and Faith Beginning During Lent

Every other Friday beginning March 4 through May 6 from noon to 1:00 on Zoom

In partnership with St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, we invite you to join us for Sacred Ground, a film-based dialogue series on race and faith, developed by the Episcopal Church and hosted by Kathy Woodliff and Rev. Katie Bradshaw.

"Sacred Ground" is a six-part series built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary film and readings that focus on indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories. While the course is largely film-based, there are some reading assignments from *Jesus and the Disinherited* by Howard Thurman and *Waking up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* by Debby Irving. The readings are spread out over the length of the course.

Throughout the course we will be building our capacity to learn and grow in love with deep listening and mindful speech. Participants will be invited to offer brief reflections and deep dive into areas of interest. The sessions will be grounded in prayer/meditation and limited to 30 participants. It is our hope to offer a safe space and provide opportunities for timely conversations about race and faith. All are welcome.

For further information or to sign up, please contact Lesley Ratcliff at 601-927-0259 or lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

The Lessons

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Logan Massey

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of God's grace that God lavished on us with all wisdom and insight.

- Ephesians 1:7-8

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Ivey Yelverton

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 115 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

CRUSADER'S HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown!

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling, starry host: Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

*The Offertory Prayer

Roger Stribling

The Offertory "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Burkhardt

*The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Sam McMullan

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem	<p>“The Gift of Love”</p> <p>Lucy Elfert, <i>soprano</i></p> <p>George Watson, <i>baritone</i></p> <p>Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, And have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.</p> <p>Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, But not be giv’n by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.</p> <p>Come, spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole, O come, spirit, come, Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen.</p>	Hopson
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The Sermon	<p>Luke Williams</p> <p>Caroline Crisler</p>
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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

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

- Psalm 86:5

<p>*The Recessional Hymn No. 532 “Be Thou My Vision”</p> <p>Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.</p> <p>Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word, I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.</p> <p>High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.</p>	<p><i>SLANE</i></p>
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<p>*The Benediction</p> <p>*The Postlude</p>	<p>Charles Poole</p> <p>Pethel</p>
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**The congregation will please stand.*

STUDENT NEWS:

Sunday Nights at the Youth House: We will not meet tonight. Join us next Sunday, February 27 at 5:30 p.m., for a shared meal, games, lessons, prayer and fellowship.

Stewminster Basketball:

9th/10th Grade team: **Tuesday, February 22 @ 7:00 p.m.**

11th/12th Grade team: **Thursday, February 24 @ 8:00 p.m.**

Mystery Trip: **June 9-14.** Five days of a mysteriously good time. Minimal details forthcoming. Email Major to sign-up. Embrace the Mystery!

Passport: **July 10-16.** Summer camp in Berea, KY. A week filled with games, songs, small groups, prayer, volleyball, and energizers. Email Major to sign-up. Cost: \$425. (Cost should never be a barrier to participation. If you feel like it is, please talk with Major.)

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**Guys vs Girls Game Day**  
**Sunday, February 27**

First through 6th graders are invited for games in Northminster’s Backyard from 3:30pm to 5:00pm.

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Enneagram Conference
Northminster Baptist Church
Great Hall
Hosted by the Jackson Enneagram Committee
Led by Joey Schewee
March 25 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Enneagram Applications for Everyday Living at work and home
March 26 9:00 a.m.—12 noon
Enneagram and Parenting
\$40 for one session
\$65 for both sessions; \$65 per couple for parenting session

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**Wednesday Night Supper ~ February 23**  
**5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall**

The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children (12 and under) with a \$20 family maximum.  
**MENU:**  
BBQ Chicken ~ Asian Slaw ~ Cheese Grits  
Black-eyed Peas ~ Biscuits & Cornbread  
Assorted Desserts ~ Iced Tea

**Servers:** Kathy Burkhalter, Joe Rankin, Gayla Purvis, Amy Williams  
**Cashier:** George Luter

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Adult Studies ~ Sunday Evenings 5:30 p.m.
Tonight, February 27 & March 6 ~ Great Hall


Multi-Generational Conversations about “Stuff” We Care About

We heard from Lida Caraway about Generations, what shaped them and how that affects their values and communication. The remaining weeks we will have multi-generational panels discussing caretaking, race & relationships.

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 Lindy Root. Lindy was a member of Northminster since 2019. Christian sympathy is extended to Jack Root, and all of Lindy's family and friends.

Steve Chester is hospitalized at Methodist Rehab.

Kathy Miller is recovering after surgery.

David Raddin is recovering after surgery.

Fred Johnson is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

Emily Smith	Sue Edwards	Robyn Chunn
Roxanne Aldridge	R.W. McCarley	Virginia Hamilton
Libby McGee	Jack Cochran	Robbie Cross
Vivian Thompson	Gorman Schaffer	

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Seventh 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.

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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 Stewart Boone.

The Caregiving Chair for February is Sarah Reynolds.

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

The Caregiver of the Week is Sophie Braswell.

The Liturgist for February is Holly Wiggs.

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

The Usher Captain for February is Nancy Smith.

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ANNUAL LUNCHEON and DESSERT AUCTION!

**Today
11:30 a.m. ~ Great Hall**

You are invited to our annual luncheon and dessert auction immediately following the worship service **today**. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Lunch will be catered, followed by the dessert auction hosted by the youth group. Adults and youth within the congregation provide desserts to be sold, with the proceeds supporting the retreats and projects of the youth group. Thank you to the congregation for supporting the youth.

The Lectionary passages for February 20 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Genesis 45:3-11, 15 ~ page 37
Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 ~ pages 443-445
I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 ~ page 936
Luke 6:27-38 ~ page 838

Today is Northminster's annual Youth Sunday. We are grateful for our youth group members who have led us in worship today, prepared liturgy and taught Sunday School in children's and adult classes.

Thanks be to God for our youth group members and for their leaders.

Youth Liturgists:

Cover Meditation	Marilee Cleveland
Meditation of Preparation	Bailey Blount
Meditation of Confession	Alex Williams
Time of Response	Bennett Stribling