

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, March 6

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Northminster Essentials, L/CR
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH
5:30 p.m. Youth, YH

Monday, March 7

7:00 a.m. Men on First and Third, GH
8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, March 8

3:00 pm. Children's Birthday Gathering, GH
5:30 p.m. Building Supervision Meeting, L/CR

Wednesday, March 9

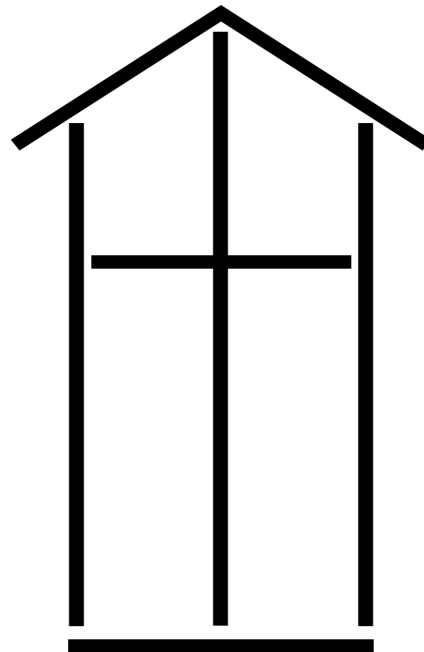
7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH
7:00 p.m. Choir, Choir Room

Saturday, March 12

Youth leave for Spring Break Trip

Sunday, March 13

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God and serve only the Lord your God.'"

-Luke 4:8

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The First Sunday in Lent
March 6, 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

Let us not use our time or words carelessly because we can retrieve neither of them.
-H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

The Prelude "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" Powell

The Call to Worship "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee" Dubois
*Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever,
For on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.*

The Procession of the Lenten Banner Parkes Denton

*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 Kyle Watson
Leader: The Lord be with you;
People: And also with you.
Leader: The Lord is my refuge and strength.
People: In God, I will trust.
Leader: The Lord says, "Those who love me, I will deliver."
People: Call on the Lord and the Lord will answer.
**All: The Lord says, "I will be with my people in times of trouble
and I will rescue and honor them."**

-Psalm 91, *adapted*

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

*The Prayer of Invocation Kyle Watson

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

Growing Up Knowing
Friday, March 25

These sessions titled "My Body, My Boundaries" will be offered by local non-profit Growing Up Knowing at Northminster. 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.

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**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP**  
**VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**March 13**

**Firecrackers**

Kim & Kyle Watson

**Sparklers**

Hart Wylie

**March 20**

**Chapel Coordinators**

Camille & Drew Snyder

**Firecrackers**

Mary McCall & Will McArthur

**Sparklers**

Lisa & Farrar Strum

**March 27**

**Firecrackers**

Mary Kathryn Reiners & Dawn Perkins

**Sparklers**

Ramsey & Brian Long

## A Lenten Gift

The Worship Committee has prepared the annual Lenten Guide, "A Lenten Journey," for use in the daily worship and meditations of our Northminster congregation and friends. Based on scriptures drawn from the Daily Lectionary, "A Lenten Journey" will provide daily thoughts from Worship Committee members for each day of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, March 2.

The Guide in booklet form will be available in the Church Office, in the foyer outside the Office, in the Church Library, and in the Great Hall, as well as gathering areas outside the Sanctuary. It will also be available by a link on the Northminster website. Please feel free to share this very active part of Northminster's witness with friends and family.

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Sacred Ground:

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

Every other Friday beginning **March 11** through **May 20** from noon to 1:00 on Zoom
(Please note change.)

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 *I'm Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown. 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.

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## Brumfield House

### March 10

Joe Sims

### March 17

Elta Johnston

### March 24

Mike Peters

### March 31

Kirk Sims

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The Lessons

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Romans 10:8b-13

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Let us break bread together on our knees. Let us drink wine together on our knees. When we fall on our knees with our faces to the rising sun, Oh Lord, have mercy on us.

-An old spiritual.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 768 "I Come with Joy"

DOVE OF PEACE

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved and free,
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me,
his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near, to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord, his presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known; we see and praise him here,
we see and praise him here.

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise,
we'll live and speak his praise.

*The Offertory Prayer

Kyle Watson

The Offertory

"Ah, Holy Jesus"

Jones

*The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

Major Treadway

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem	“Ave verum corpus”	Mozart
	Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine, Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.	Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross, for man, Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood, Be for us foretaste In the test of death.

The Sermon	“On Mortality and Opportunity”	Major Treadway
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THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Call to the Table	Major Treadway
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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 Worshipers will come forward by the center aisle. Receive the bread and, having received it, return to your seat by the outside aisle.

The Cup Worshipers 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.

STUDENT NEWS:

Sunday Nights at the Youth House: Tonight. 5:30 p.m.

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

Stewminster Basketball:

11th/12th Grade team: Semi Finals Tuesday, March 8, 9:00 p.m.

Stewpot: Saturday, April 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.

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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**Adult Studies ~ Sunday Evenings 5:30 p.m.**

**Multi-Generational Conversations about “Stuff” We Care About  
Tonight ~ Great Hall**

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 race & relationships.

**Anchors and Sails**

**March 20, April 3 and April 24 ~ Sanctuary**

On March 20, Chuck Poole will lead us in a conversation concerning our "anchors" (the central truths that have defined our church) and our "sails" (how we might journey into the future of a changing church world). On the remaining two nights, the congregation will have an opportunity to ask Chuck questions about both, the anchors which define us and the sails which beckon.

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**Wednesday Night Supper ~ March 9
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:

Hamburger Steak with Gravy ~ Coleslaw
Mashed Potatoes ~ Green Beans ~ Cornbread and Biscuits
Assorted Desserts ~ Iced Tea

MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, March 7

Cooks

Elizabeth Quinn
Kandy Sims
Wanda Johnson

Drivers:

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

Wednesday, March 16

Cooks

Susan O'Mara
Sylvia Carraway
Cathy Davis


Drivers:

Rt. 1 Julie & Dudley Wooley
Rt. 2 Gwen Anderson & Monica Daniels

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 Dana Kelly, a member of Northminster since 1988. Christian sympathy is extended to all of Dana'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 first Sunday in Lent. Lent is the season in which we anticipate Jesus' final trip to Jerusalem and the self-giving nature of love shown in his Passion and death. The season begins with Ash Wednesday and extends for forty weekdays through Saturday of Holy Week. Sundays are excluded from Lent, being regarded as feast days in the midst of the forty-day fast. Because Lent is the most strongly penitential season of the year, 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 Andy Frame.

The Caregiving Chair for March is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiving Coordinator for March is Gail England.

The Caregivers of the Week are Gail England and Sandra Triplett.

The Liturgist for March is Rose Mary Porter.

The Flowers for March are provided by Kandy Sims, Becky Frame, and Jill Buckley.

The Usher Captains for March are Usher Co-Chairs.

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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.

TIME OF RESPONSE

As we leave this place and the table of our Lord, let us have the courage to resist our own temptations and to lean into the ever loving mercy of our God.

*The Recessional 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 Benediction

Major Treadway

*The Postlude

"Let the Song Go Round the Earth"

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****The congregation will please stand.***

The Lectionary passages for March 6 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 ~ pages 158-159

Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16 ~ pages 477-478

Romans 10:8b-13 ~ page 921

Luke 4:1-13 ~ page 835