

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

GRACE

Grace does not need to be seen, you can feel it in your soul;
melting pain, healing wounds, as it whispers forgiveness.
Wrapping around your heart, releasing burdens to the heavens power;
gentle as a summer rain, and constant as a mountain.

Grace, every soul's mercy.

Grace, the invisible cure.

- Margeaux Nicholas, *adapted*

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Eastertide

April 24, 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

"Doubt is a pain too lonely to know that faith is his twin brother."

- Kahlil Gibran

The Prelude "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Burkhardt

The Call to Worship "O Christ, Redeemer, Risen Lord" Wye

*O Christ, Redeemer, risen Lord! The world rejoices with one accord.
Alleluia!*

*The Procession of the Easter Banner Betsy Beard

*The Processional Hymn No. 239 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" DUKE STREET

I know that my Redeemer lives!
What joy this blest assurance gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my everliving Head
He lives triumphant from the grave;
he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.
He lives to bless me with his love;
he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.
He lives, my kind, wise, heavenly friend;
he lives and loves me to the end;
he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
he lives, my Prophet, Priest and King!
He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

*The Litany of Praise Caroline Crisler

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Rejoice now, heavenly host, and choirs of angels; let your trumpets shout salvation for the victory of our Eternal King;

People: Hallelujah, we are Easter people.

Leader: Rejoice and sing, for darkness has been vanquished by the cross.

People: Hallelujah, we are Easter people.

Leader: Rejoice and be glad; in radiant light resound the praise of our Risen Lord.

All: Hallelujah, we are Easter people.

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, April 24

9:00 a.m.

Mentor Program

9:15 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service/Senior Recognition

11:30 a.m.

Senior Lunch, GH

5:00 p.m.

Youth, YH

5:00 p.m.

Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456

5:30 p.m.

Adult Studies, Sanctuary

6:45 p.m.

Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

Monday, April 25

8:30 a.m.

Caregiving, L/CR

10:00 a.m.

Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, April 26

11:00 a.m.

Women's Book Study, Adult Ed. Bldg., Zoom

Wednesday, April 27

7:00 a.m.

Men's Bible Study, L/CR

7:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 1

9:00 a.m.

Mentor Program

9:15 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Worship Service/Communion

5:00 p.m.

Youth End of the Year Party

5:30 p.m.

Liturgy of the Light

Northminster Baptist Church
3955 Ridgewood Road
Jackson, MS 39211
601-982-4703
601-982-4705 FAX
www.northminsterbaptist.org

Women's Bible Study

The Psalms

Facilitated by Cecelia Stearman and taught by Diann Arinder

Tuesdays through May 24

Coffee, 10:45 a.m., Bible Study, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Adult Education Building

Also available on Zoom

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, April 25

##### Cooks

Ann Calhoon

Kelly Hicks

Gail England

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Nancy Smith & Amy Finkelberg

Rt. 2 Mike & Pat Beall

#### Monday, May 2

##### Cooks

Peggy Brady

Patsy Caraway

Amanda Milam

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Becky & Tim Frame/Gayla Purvis

Rt. 2 Pat Beall & Judy Jernigan

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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

May 1

Firecrackers

Mike Kitchell & Melissa Robinson

Sparklers

Becker & Weatherly Sams

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### Brumfield House

#### April 28

Jimmy Allen

#### May 5

Bryan Bridges

#### May 12

Skipper Jernigan

#### May 19

Andy Frame

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* PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE *

Children's Birthday Gathering

Tuesday, May 3 ~ 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Children who have a birthday in May 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.

*The Gloria Patri No. 807

"Glory Be to the Father"

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*The Prayer of Invocation

Caroline Crisler

The Greeting

Major Treadway

The Recognition of High School Seniors

2022 Northminster Graduates

Kristian Clark

William Deas

Logan Massey

Madyson Strum

Luke Williams

Marilee Cleveland

Eli Everett

Molly McClure

Tre'Diamond Taylor

Ozzie Williams

Caroline Crisler

Arron Howard

Sam McMullan

Lachlan Welsh

The Lessons

Acts 5:27-32

Revelation 1:4-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

"We have to work our way out of darkness by brutal honesty, confession, surrender, forgiveness, apology, and restitution. It may feel simultaneously like dying and being liberated."

-Richard Rohr, *adapted*

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 243

"Christ Is Alive"

TRURO

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

The cross stands empty to the sky.

Let streets and homes with praises ring.

Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound

to distant years in Palestine,

but saving, healing, here and now

and touching every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high,

untouched, unmoved by human pains,

but daily, in the midst of life,

our Savior in the Godhead reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war,

where color, scorn or wealth divide,

Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,

and lives, where even hope has died.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring

good news to this and every age,

till earth and sky and ocean ring

with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

*The Offertory Prayer

Caroline Crisler

The Offertory "Jesus Lives, and So Shall I" Manz
*The Doxology *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Loving God, whom we adore; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel John 20:19-31 Charles Poole

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem "Christ Is Now Arisen" Scott

Now the song is begun, for the battle is done,
And the victory won: now the foe is scattered:
Death's dark prison shattered:
Sing of joy; And today raise the lay, Christ is now arisen!
They that followed in pain shall not follow to reign,
And the crown shall obtain;
They were sore assaulted, they shall be exalted:
Sing of joy; Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!
For the foe nevermore can approach to that shore,
When the conflict is o'er;
There is joy supernal; there is peace eternal;
Sing of life; Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!
Then be brave, then be true, ye despised and ye few,
For the crown is for you: Christ, who went before you,
Spreads His buckler o'er you.
Sing of strength; Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!
Lo, the vict'ry is won, and the foe is scattered,
Death's dark prison shattered!
Hallelujah, earth and skies bid it rise,
Christ is now arisen! Hallelujah!
Come today raise the lay, Christ is now arisen!

The Sermon "In the Room Where It Happened" Major Treadway

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 at 5:00 p.m. Join us for a shared meal, games, lessons, prayer and fellowship.

End of the Year Party: Sunday, May 1, 5:00 p.m. A party to celebrate the coming of summer. More details to come.

Mystery Trip: June 9-14. Five days of a mysteriously good time. Minimal details forthcoming. Email Major to sign-up. Embrace the Mystery! Sign up by April 24.

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. Sign up by April 24. (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 Evening 5:30 p.m.

#### ANCHORS AND SAILS

#### Tonight ~ Sanctuary

On March 20 and April 13, Chuck Poole led 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). Tonight, the congregation will have an opportunity to ask Chuck questions about both, the anchors which define us and the sails which beckon.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**NORTHMINSTER BIBLE CAMP 2022**

**JULY 22 – 24, 2022**

**EVERY  
KIND OF BIRD**

**ALL ARE WELCOME IN GOD'S TREE**

You can register online at <https://forms.gle/jxTatcbPhLVpHrYq9>  
Please contact Neely McGinnis with any questions or to volunteer.  
[neelylauderdale@gmail.com](mailto:neelylauderdale@gmail.com) or 769.257.8077

### Liturgy of the Light


**Sunday, May 1 ~ 5:30 p.m. ~ Sanctuary**

Everyone is invited to attend this worship service which is centered around the Christ candle, celebrates Eastertide, and is led by our children.

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 Billy Mann, a member of Northminster since 2012. Christian sympathy is extended to Dot Mann, and to all of their family and friends.

Carla Holt is recovering after surgery.

Eddie Foster is recovering after surgery.

David Raddin is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

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| 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 Second Sunday of Eastertide. Our Easter banner, overlaying the Lenten banner, is used to celebrate the Easter season and signify the triumph of Christ’s resurrection and power over death. It is used during Eastertide, the six Sundays following Easter.

The banner bears in gold-colored silk the essential symbol of Christianity, the cross, in its rays of glory, appropriate to the Easter season. Formerly a symbol of shame, the cross has been transformed into the ultimate symbol of hope and salvation for all humankind. The seasonal color for Easter is white, and the background color of the banner can be interpreted as white fractured into many of pure white’s components. The banner’s pale colors represent the purity and divinity of Christ. In the background are the rays of glory of the cross. The rays leading from the cross remind us of a power that rises above defeat, a power that radiates forth affecting the lives it touches. Symbolically, the entire banner overlaps a banner of purple, the color for Lent. This juxtaposition reminds us of the historical connection of the two seasons: Lent and Easter, but leaves no doubt as to the successor.

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 Rebecca Wiggs.

The Caregiving Chair for April is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinator for April is Jean Welsh.

The Caregivers of the Week are Buddy and Carolyn McIntyre.

The Liturgist for April is Joe D. Rankin.

The Flowers for April are provided by Kandy Sims and Lisa Kelly.

The Usher Captain for April is Keith Davis.

TIME OF RESPONSE

“Faith is seeing light with your heart, when all your eyes see is darkness.”

*The Recessional Hymn No. 247 “The Day of Resurrection”

LANCASHIRE

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin’s dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
his own “all hail” and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth its song begin!
The world resound in triumph, and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend;
for Christ the Lord has risen, our Joy that has no end.

*The Benediction

Charles Poole

*The Postlude

“At the Lamb’s High Feast”

Grams

**The congregation will please stand.*

The Lectionary passages for April 24 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Acts 5:27-32 ~ page 889

Psalms 150 ~ page 508

Revelation 1:4-8 ~ pages 994-995

John 20:19-31 ~ page 883