

## 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 3

9:00 a.m. Mentor Program, GH  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion/Baptism  
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456  
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH  
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, Sanctuary

### Monday, April 4

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, April 5

11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Adult Ed. Building or Zoom  
3:00 p.m. Children's Birthday Gathering, GH

### Wednesday, April 6

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

### Friday, April 8

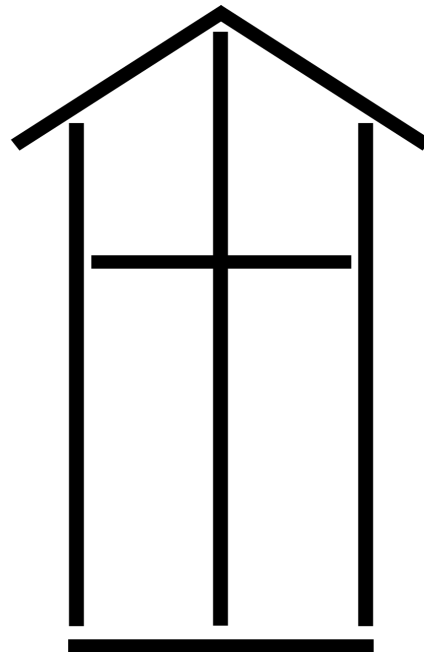
12:00 p.m. Sacred Ground, Zoom

### Saturday, April 9

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Sunday, April 10

9:00 a.m. Mentor Program, GH  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Baby Dedication  
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Girls of Grace and Guys 456  
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH  
5:30 p.m. Choir Presentation, Sanctuary



## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“We do not think ourselves into new ways of living,  
we live ourselves into new ways of thinking.”

-Richard Rohr

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**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**  
April 3, 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

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin."

-Mother Teresa

The Prelude "Adagio" Widor

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 Slates Veazey

\*The Processional Hymn No. 317 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" OLD HUNDREDTH

All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with joy, his praise forth tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;  
without our aid he did us make;  
we are his folk, he doth us feed,  
and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise,  
approach with joy his courts unto;  
praise, laud and bless his name always,  
for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good,  
his mercy is forever sure;  
his truth at all times firmly stood,  
and shall from age to age endure.

\*The Litany of Praise Thomas Greener

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lord, we have not loved as you have taught us.

**People: May the old in us pass away and all things become new.**

Leader: May we reconcile ourselves to your image and your ways.

**People: May the old in us pass away and all things become new.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, guide us today.

**All: Lord, create in us a clean heart. Amen.**

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

\*The Prayer of Invocation Thomas Greener

**Easter Lilies**

If you would like to order an Easter lily for the sanctuary on Easter Sunday as a memorial or in honor of someone, please fill out the information form inside the bulletin and drop off at the church office or e-mail, [lward@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lward@northminsterbaptist.org).

The names will be listed in the order of worship on Easter Sunday, April 17.  
(The cost per lily is \$10. Please submit all names by Monday, April 4.)

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**Children's Birthday Gathering**  
**Tuesday, April 5 ~ 3:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.**

Children who have a birthday in April 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.

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**PARENTS' NIGHT OUT**

**Friday, April 22 ~ 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, April 20.

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

***This will be the last Parents' Night Out for this semester.***

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**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.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



**EVERY  
KIND OF BIRD**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME IN GOD'S TREE**

**NORTHMINSTER BIBLE CAMP 2022**

**JULY 22 - 24, 2022**

**Friday 5:30pm-8pm**

**Saturday 9am-12pm**

**Sunday 9am-11:30am**

You can register online at <https://forms.gle/jxTAtcbPhLVpHrYq9>  
Please contact Neely McGinnis with any questions or to volunteer.  
[neelyvlauderdale@gmail.com](mailto:neelyvlauderdale@gmail.com) or 769.257.8077

## TOGETHER FOR HOPE BENEFIT CONCERT

**Today ~ 3:00pm**

Northside Baptist Church, Clinton, MS

World renowned Japanese trombonist Yu Tamaki Hosoi will perform a benefit concert for Together for Hope at the end of his North American Tour. Yu has performed with the best symphonies around the world. He will be accompanied by guest pianist Zhaolei Xie, professor at University of Southern Mississippi and pianist at University Baptist Church Hattiesburg. The concert is free but donations will be accepted for Together for Hope.

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### MEALS ON WHEELS

#### Monday, April 4

##### Cooks

Cheryl Allen  
Lisa Cobb  
Annette Hitt

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Julie & Dudley Wooley  
Rt. 2 Marianna Field & Janet Holt

#### Wednesday, April 20

##### Cooks

Jan Stewart  
Rose Mary Porter  
Shirley Geary

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Suzan & Tommy Thames  
Rt. 2 Brooks & Thomas Elfert

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### **Wednesday Night Supper ~ April 6**

**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:

Baked Catfish with Lemon Parsley Sauce ~ Crunchy Romaine Toss  
Rice Consommé ~ Squash Casserole ~ Biscuits/Yeast Rolls  
Assorted Homemade Desserts ~ Iced Tea

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

#### April 10

##### **Firecrackers**

Whitney & Slaters Veazey

##### **Sparklers**

Neely & Michael McInnis

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#### Brumfield House

##### April 7

Chuck Poole

##### April 14

Joe Sims

##### April 21

Carrie Blount

The Witness of Christian Baptism

Yates Elfert

The Baptismal Affirmation

In Unison

Yates, we share in your joy today. Your profession of "Jesus is Lord" has made you one with us and with all believers everywhere. May today mark the beginning of your journey toward both the molding of your life to Christ's example and the discovery of your unique gifts for the betterment of the world in Christ's service. We pledge to you our encouragement and all the resources of our congregation as you continue to grow in Christ. May the peace of God the Father, the fellowship of the Spirit, and the love of the Son be with you always.

The Greeting

Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:4-14

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### **CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

"Sometime I need only to stand wherever I am to be blessed."

-Mary Oliver

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Major Treadway

### **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

Thomas Greener

The Offertory

"Were You There"

Wells

\*The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel                                      John 12:1-8                                      Lesley Ratcliff  
Leader:      This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
People:      **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem                                      "Bread of the World"                                      Palestrina  
Bread of the world, in mercy broken. wine of the soul, in mercy shed,  
by whom the words of life were spoken; and in whose death our sins are dead;  
look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed,  
and be thy feast to us the token, that by thy grace our souls are fed.

The Sermon                                      "Where Do We Go to Begin Again?"                                      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      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, 5:00 p.m.**

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

**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 Evenings 5:30 p.m.**

**Anchors and Sails**

**Tonight and April 24 ~ Sanctuary**

On March 20, 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). 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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**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](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org)

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**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.

## **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:**

Dea Dea Baker is recovering after surgery.

Eddie Foster is recovering after surgery.

David Raddin 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 Fifth 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 Eddie Mahaffey.

The Caregiving Chair for April is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiving Coordinator for April is Jean Welsh.

The Caregivers of the Week are Melissa and Steve Godbold.

The Liturgist for April is Joe D. Rankin.

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

The Usher Captains for April is Usher Keith Davis.

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*In observance of the Lenten season, only candles and the Bible  
will be placed on the communion table, reminding us of this  
prayerful Lenten journey, until the grace of Easter blooms again.*

*The Northminster Flower Committee*

## **TIME OF RESPONSE**

“Action springs not from thought, but from a readiness for responsibility.”

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer

\*The Recessional Hymn No. 558 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” *BEECHER*

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
let us all in thee inherit, let us find the promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee:  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

\*The Benediction Charles Poole

\*The Postlude “All Glory Be to God on High” Burkhardt

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

**The Lectionary passages for April 3 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:**

Isaiah 43:16-21 ~ page 586

Psalm 126 ~ page 499

Philippians 3:4-14 ~ pages 954-955

John 12:1-8 ~ pages 874-875