



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“We cannot love issues, but we can love people, and the love of people reveals to us the way to deal with issues.”

-Henri Nouwen

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211

THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
 July 17, 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

Rabbi Zusya, when he was an old man, said, "In the coming world, they will not ask me: 'Why were you not Moses?' They will ask me: 'Why were you not Zusya?'"

-Parker Palmer, *"Let Your Life Speak"*

The Prelude "Adagio" Schumann

The Call to Worship "Rejoice in God, All Ye Lands" Coker

*O be joyful in God, all ye lands! Serve the Lord with gladness,
 And come before His presence with a song.*

*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, unchanging, 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 Eddie Mahaffey

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: Who may worship in your sanctuary, O Lord?

People: Those who obey God and do what is right; who speak the truth from sincere hearts.

Leader: Who may enter your presence on the holy hill, O Most High?

People: Those who do not speak evil about others, wrong their neighbors, or slander their friends.

Leader: Who may worship in spirit and truth, O God?

**People: Those who loath evil, but honor those who fear God.
 Those who keep their promises, do not charge interest on the money they lend, and refuse to accept bribes.**

All: These are the people who will stand firm forever.

-Psalm 15, *adapted*

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	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

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, July 17

9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service/Baptism
11:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m.	Bible Camp Work Day, GH

Monday, July 18

7:00 a.m.	Men on First and Third, GH
8:30 a.m.	Caregiving, L/CR
4:00 p.m.	Finance/Stewardship Sub-Committee, L/CR

Tuesday, July 19

4:30 p.m.	Cancer Support, L/CR
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Wednesday, July 20

7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study, L/CR
9:00 a.m.	Enneagram, Adult Ed. Building
10:00 a.m.	Meals on Wheels
5:30 p.m.	Wider Net Meeting, GH
6:00 p.m.	Youth Swim Night

Friday, July 22

5:30 p.m.	Bible Camp
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Saturday, July 23

9:00 a.m.	Bible Camp
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Sunday, July 24

9:00 a.m.	Bible Camp
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service/Baptism

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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/xtAtcbPhLVpHrYg9>
Please contact Neely McGinnis with any questions or to volunteer.
neelylauderdale@gmail.com or 769.257.8077

MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, July 20

Cooks

Cathy Davis
Elizabeth Quinn
Sylvia Carraway

Drivers:

Rt. 1 Beverly & Tim Lawrence
Rt. 2 Carol Taff & Sandi Rhoden

Monday, July 25

Cooks

Annette Hitt
Kandy Sims
Lisa Cobb

Drivers:

Rt. 1 Jean & Kelley Williams
Rt. 2 Beverly & David Raddin

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## Save the Date

### Retirement Celebration Honoring Marcia and Chuck Poole

#### Saturday, August 27

Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum  
Please send any photos of special times with  
the Pooles to [photos@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:photos@northminsterbaptist.org).

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MEALS ON WHEELS -- DRIVERS NEEDED

Effective immediately, we are in need of two new drivers for Meals on Wheels.
Drivers need to be at the church by 10:30 a.m. on their designated days to pick up boxed meals and deliver them. This normally takes an hour to an hour and a half. We only deliver on the first and fourth Mondays and the third Wednesday of each month. You would be driving two to three times in a six month period. If you feel this is something you would like to do, please contact Steve Bass at 601-209-2436 or 601-421-1196. You may also call the church office at 601-982-4703.

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## Mindfulness-Based Adult Sunday School Class

Andy Frame and Ginger Parham are starting a new, weekly mindfulness-based Sunday School class at Northminster, beginning August 14. The purpose of the class is to create a space that studies, discusses and uses mindfulness and contemplative prayer techniques. The class will include discussion and meditation based on scripture and book studies from different Christian traditions, such as Richard Rohr, David Steindl-Rast, and Fr. William Johnston, while comparing those teachings and practices to non-Christian traditions, such as Buddhist and secular-mindfulness, to highlight the similarities and understand the differences. If you have any questions about the class, please contact Andy at (601) 500-1508 or [frametown@gmail.com](mailto:frametown@gmail.com).

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

MEINEKE

\*The Prayer of Invocation

Eddie Mahaffey

The Witness of Christian Baptism

Logan Massey

The Baptismal Affirmation

In Unison

Logan, 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

Major Treadway

The Lessons

Psalm 15  
Colossians 1:15-28

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

We confess that the distractions, busyness, and misplaced priorities of our lives make it difficult to listen to the voice of the Spirit within us. We confess that our check-lists get prioritized over things that are essential and could never be checked off any list. Forgive us for not allowing your love to order our lives.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

## 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:

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| *The Offertory Prayer |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Eddie Mahaffey            |
| The Offertory         | "If You Will Trust in God to Guide You"                                                                                                                                                                                            | Manz                      |
| *The Doxology         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <i>LASST UNS ERFREUEN</i> |
|                       | Praise God from whom all blessings flow,<br>Praise Christ, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!<br>Praise Holy Spirit evermore;<br>Praise Loving God, whom we adore; Alleluia! Alleluia!<br>Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! |                           |

### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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| The Gospel | Luke 10:38-42                                             | Lesley Ratcliff |
| Leader:    | This is the Gospel of the Lord.                           |                 |
| People:    | <b>Thanks be to God.</b>                                  |                 |
| The Anthem | "Prayer of St. Francis"<br>Shirley Foster, <i>soprano</i> | Pote            |
| The Sermon | "Concerning the Centered Life"                            | 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

Enough  
 Enough. These few words are enough.  
 If not these words, this breath.  
 If not this breath, this sitting here.  
 This opening to the life  
 we have refused again and again  
 until now.  
 Until now.

-David Whyte

## STUDENT NEWS:

### Youth Sunday School:

**Sunday mornings at 9:15ish** in the Youth House. There will be donuts and good conversation.

### Swim Night:

**Wednesday, July 20, 6:00-8:00pm.** Alex and Elise Williams' house. Bring a swimsuit and a towel.

### Lock-in:

**Friday, August 5, 6:00pm-8:00am.** The Decathlon is back! Ten games. One champion. You'll want a towel and a change of clothes. Leave your sleeping bag at home.

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Today

~ immediately following the worship service ~

Agenda:

Congregational consideration and vote concerning the Deacons' recommendation for the roof replacement and exterior restoration project. (Details concerning the scope of work and projected cost were mailed to the congregation on June 23.)

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## Bible Camp Workday

**Today at 11:30 a.m.**

(immediately after Congregational Meeting)

Lunch will be served.

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Brumfield House

July 21

Paul Smith

July 28

Scott Wilson

August 4

Skipper Jernigan

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## CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### July 24

Bible Camp

### July 31

Chapel Coordinators

Jennifer & Christian Byrd

**Firecrackers**

Mary McCall & Will McArthur

**Sparklers**

Lisa & Farrar Strum

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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:

CONGRATULATIONS to Ryder and Blair Taff on the birth of their daughter, Ryder Marie Taff. Ryder Marie is also welcomed by Carol Taff, and Emily, Philip, and Lila Taff.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to Marty Harper on the death of Marty's mother, Frances Harper.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to Anne Brawley on the death of Anne's sister, Janet Sullivan Smith.

Judy Jernigan is recovering after surgery.

Joe Rankin is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:

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

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Sixth 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.

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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 July is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiving Coordinator for July is Steve Godbold.

The Caregivers of the Week are Sunny Fowler & Jean Welsh.

The Liturgist for July is Scott Stearman.

The Flowers for July are provided by Lisa Kelly, Becky Frame, Kandy Sims, Ann Lauman and Ann Vickery.

The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.

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*The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of
Ryder Marie Taff. The proud parents are Ryder and Blair Taff.*

*The flowers on the altar are in celebration of
Tom and Connie Kossen's fiftieth wedding anniversary.*

*The Recessional Hymn No. 60 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changes not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided—
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Refrain:

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Refrain:

*The Benediction

Charles Poole

*The Postlude

"Hymn to Joy"

Travis

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

**The Lectionary passages for July 17 are found on the following pages in the
Pew Bible:**

Amos 8:1-12 ~ pages 748-749

Psalm 52 ~ page 453

Genesis 18:1-10a ~ page 12

Psalm 15 ~ page 430

Colossians 1:15-28 ~ pages 956-957

Luke 10:38-42 ~ page 845