

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

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

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, July 24

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

Monday, July 25

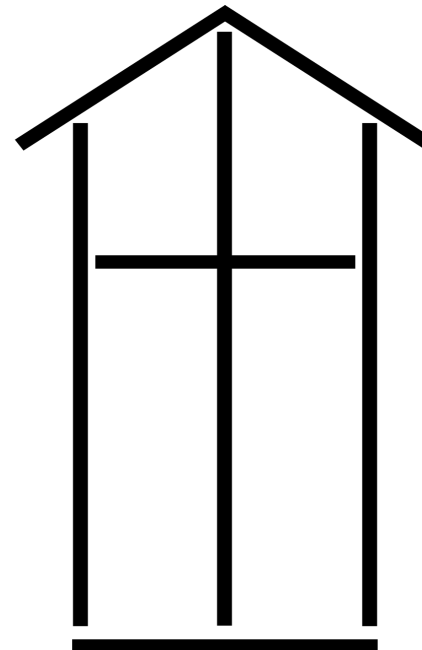
8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

Wednesday, July 27

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR

Sunday, July 31

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“What is an idol? Any God who is mine but not yours. Any God concerned with me but not with you is an idol.”

-Abraham Heschel

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 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

“The people who know God well – mystics, hermits, prayerful people, those who risk everything to find God – always meet God as a lover, not a dictator.”

-Richard Rohr

The Prelude “Sheep May Safely Graze” Bach

The Call to Worship “Tweet Tweet Tweet” Fuller

The Children of Bible Camp

Singing my song, flapping my wings
No one knows what tomorrow brings,
But I’ll open my heart. That’s a start.

Every bird of a feather, every song on the air
Every little swallow, God knows you’re there.
As we rise and fall, God hears us all

Tweet tweet tweet, come on in
Tweet tweet tweet, (Birdie) be my friend
Open your wings, help me sing

Tweet tweet tweet, This I know
Tweet tweet tweet, God loves you so
Come on in, Let’s begin!

A boat made of wood, a boat made of love
From the fish below to the birds above
God is our home. We’re not alone.

A bow in the sky, a twig in a beak
A branch for everybody (sitting) in God’s tree
It’s safe and dry, come inside.

Bridge:

Tweet Tweet Tweetly-dee
Tweet Tweet Tweetly-dee
Tweet Tweet Tweetly-dee
Tweetly-dittly-dittly-dee
Tweetly-dittly-dittly-dee

CHILDREN’S DEPARTMENT PROMOTION DAY

Sunday, August 14

School is getting in gear and so are we! On Sunday, August 14, children will be promoted to their next grade level in Sunday School. Children will receive a postcard with the name of their Sunday School class before Promotion Sunday, and will be greeted at the desk in the children’s department and walked to their new classrooms.

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**ELEMENTARY SERVICE DAY &  
PRESCHOOL PLAYDATE**

**Tuesday, August 2**

**9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Children who have completed 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for a day of service!

**11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Young children through those who have completed Kindergarten are invited to come play at the church.

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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.

STUDENT NEWS:

Youth Sunday School:

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

Lock-in:

Friday, August 5, 6:00pm-7:00am. The Decathlon is back! Ten games. One champion. You'll want a towel and a change of clothes. Leave your sleeping bag at home.

Stewpot: Saturday, August 6, at 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. Email Major to sign up. (major@northminsterbaptist.org)

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**Brumfield House**

**July 28**

Scott Wilson

**August 4**

Skipper Jernigan

**August 11**

Mitch Peters  
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**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

July 31

Chapel Coordinators

Jennifer & Christian Byrd

Firecrackers

Mary McCall & Will McArthur

Sparklers

Lisa & Farrar Strum
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**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**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.
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\*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

Mary Heard

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: O God, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes  
of Jacob.

**People: You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all our  
sin.**

Leader: You withdrew your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

**People: Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your  
indignation toward us. Will you be angry with us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?**

Leader: Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in  
you? Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your  
salvation.

**All: Let us hear what God will speak, for God will speak peace to  
God's faithful, to those who turn to the Lord in their hearts.**

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

*MEINEKE*

\*The Prayer of Invocation

Mary Heard

The Witness of Christian Baptism

Jordan Ashford

Kaylee Ashford

Celia Stribling

The Baptismal Affirmation

In Unison

Jordan, Kaylee and Celia, 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 138

Colossians 2:6-19

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

Our God we believe you desire honesty from the heart. Forgive our deception, even our self-deception, that hinders us from living in your light. Teach us to be wise in our inmost beings. Grant that our contrite hearts will by your grace lead us to healed hearts, that we might love you and others without guile.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

Major Treadway

**INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION**

\*The Offertory Hymn No. 21 “How Great Thou Art!”

*O STORE GUD*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout, the universe displayed.

**Refrain:**

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!*

When through the woods and forest glades I wander and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

**Refrain:**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin.

**Refrain:**

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, “My God, how great thou art.”

**Refrain:**

\*The Offertory Prayer

Mary Heard

The Offertory

“The Good Shepherd”

Wood

\*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!

**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 Dea Dea and Dolph Baker on the birth of their granddaughter, Valentine Isabel “Vivi” Baker Burnett. The proud parents are Rachel Baker and James Burnett of Charlottesville, Virginia. Vivi is also welcomed by her brother, Henry, and sisters, Lila and Freda.

Suzanne Boone is recovering after surgery.

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 Seventh 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.



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 Elta Johnston.

The Caregiving Chair for July is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiving Coordinator for July is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiver of the Week is Cheryl Allen.

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.



**COMING SOON!**

**Intergenerational Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing,  
Backpack Blessing and Ice Cream Social**

**Sunday, August 14  
5:30 p.m. ~ Great Hall**

If you would like to make homemade ice cream for this event, please contact Lesley Ratcliff (lesley@northminsterbaptist.org).

## TIME OF RESPONSE

“In the evening of life, we will be judged on love alone.”

-St. John of the Cross

\*The Recessional Hymn No. 543 “Christ Beside Me”

*BUNESSAN*

Christ beside me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me— king of my heart;  
Christ within me, Christ below me,  
Christ above me — never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me — shield in the strife;  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising — light of my life.

Christ in all hearts thinking about me,  
Christ be on all tongues telling of me;  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,  
in ears that hear me Christ ever be.

Christ beside me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me — king of my heart;  
Christ within me, Christ below me,  
Christ above me — never to part.

\*The Benediction

Charles Poole

\*The Postlude

“Rigaudon”

Campra

*\*The congregation will please stand.*

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

Hosea 1:2-10~ page 730

Psalm 85 ~ page 473

Genesis 18:20-32 ~ pages 12-13

Psalm 138 ~ page 503

Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19) ~ page 957

Luke 11:1-13 ~ page 845

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

Major Treadway

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

Smart

Farrar Strum, *tenor*  
Jack McDaniel, *bass*

The Lord is my shepherd, I never shall want,  
For lack of his mercies, my soul shall not pant;  
In pleasant green pastures I daily abide,  
He leads me the peaceful still waters beside.

My soul he restoreth, and for his name’s sake,  
The path of true righteousness bids me,  
Yea, though I pass through death’s dark valley and shade,  
I will not by evil be ever dismay’d,

For thou art my shepherd, and with me alway,  
Thy rod and thy staff are my comfort and stay;  
My table thou spreadest in presence of foes,  
My head thou anointest, my cup overflows:

Thy goodness and mercy shall follow me still,  
While life’s earnest duties I daily fulfil;  
Till joyous my spirit shall claim its reward,  
And dwell evermore in the house of the Lord!

The Sermon

“You Are Loved”

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.