

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 31

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

Monday, August 1

7:00 a.m. Men on First and Third, GH
8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
5:30 p.m. Special Gifts Committee, L/CR

Wednesday, August 3

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

Friday, August 5

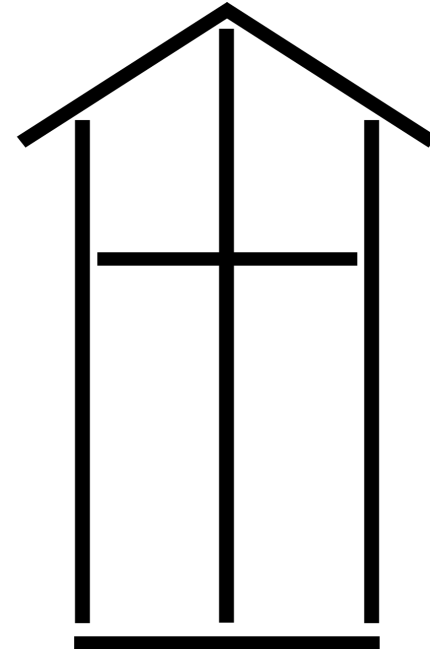
6:00 p.m. Youth Lock-In Starts, YH

Saturday, August 6

8:00 a.m. Youth Lock-In Ends, YH
9:30 a.m. Youth Stewpot

Sunday, August 7

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



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“Religion is one of the safest
places to hide from God.”

-Richard Rohr

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 31, 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 highest use of a shaken time is to find the unshakeable.”

-H. E. Fosdick

The Prelude “Adagio” Franck

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. 52 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” *ELLACOMBE*

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule by day;
the moon shines full at his command and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his word and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below but makes your glories known;
and clouds arise and tempests blow by order from your throne;
while all that borrows life from you is ever in your care,
and everywhere that I may be, you, God, are present there.

*The Litany of Praise Cade Montague

Leader: The Lord be with you;

People: And also with you.

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good, with steadfast love
enduring forever.

**People: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those redeemed from
trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from
the west, from the north and from the south.**

Leader: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited
town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

**People: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and God delivered
them from their distress; let us thank the Lord for God's
steadfast love.**

Leader: For God satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry are filled with good
things.

**All: Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider
the steadfast love of the Lord.**

-Psalm 107, *adapted*

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

**ELEMENTARY SERVICE DAY &
PRESCHOOL PLAYDATE**

Tuesday, August 2

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

Children who have completed 1st through 6th 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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**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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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 similari-
ties and understand the differences. If you have any questions about the class, please
contact Andy at (601) 500-1508 or frametown@gmail.com.

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**THE ANNUAL CHURCH-WIDE LABOR DAY POTLUCK**

**Sunday, September 4 ~ No Sunday School  
Worship in the Sanctuary ~ Lunch in the Great Hall**

The Fellowship Committee will provide meat and drinks. Please bring  
your favorite side dish, salad or dessert to serve your family, plus one more.

Please bring serving utensils, and label your dishes and serving pieces.

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THANK YOU!

In the past, the Library Committee has welcomed book donations from our
church members. Because of such generosity, the library is now FULL. There is NO
shelf space to spare! While this is a happy state, it means we can no longer accept book
donations. We appreciate your understanding!

-Diann Arinder
Chair, Library Committee

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, 9:30 am. 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

#### August 4

Skipper Jernigan

#### August 11

Mitch Peters

#### August 18

John England

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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

August 7

Firecrackers

Lisa & Farrar Strum

Sparklers

Ramsey & Brian Long

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### MEALS ON WHEELS

#### Monday, August 1

##### Cooks

Gail England

Ann Calhoon

Kelly Hicks

##### Drivers:

Rt. 1 Becky & Tim Frame, Gayla Purvis

Rt. 2 Pat & Mike Beall

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Retirement Celebration Honoring Marcia and Chuck Poole

Saturday, August 27

11:00-2:00

Forestry Auditorium

Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum

1150 Lakeland Drive

Jackson, Mississippi

Lunch beginning at 11:30; Program at 1:00
(Luncheon reservations requested by August 22
neely@northminsterbaptist.org or 601.982.4703)

Parking assistance will be available.

*The Prayer of Invocation

Cade Montague

The Greeting

Lesley Ratcliff

THE DEDICATION OF CHILDREN AND PARENTS

Eleanor Joyce Williams

Daughter of Brennan and Emileigh Williams

The Litany of Dedication

Lesley Ratcliff

Leader: We are here today to present Eleanor to the church and to dedicate her to God. Who brings this child for this holy purpose?

Parents: *We, her parents, bring this child to be dedicated to God.*

Leader: What can we affirm about this child?

People: **That she is made in the image of God and is a child of God by creation.**

Leader: What will this child be told about her faith history?

People: **She will learn about Abraham and Sarah, the grandparents of our faith; about Moses, who led our ancestors out of bondage, and about Miriam, who sang and danced a victory song of freedom; about the Jewish hope for a Messiah; about Jesus Christ the Savior, and about the history of the church as God's redemptive people in the world.**

Leader: Who will raise this child in the faith, worship with her regularly, teach her to pray and lead her into a loving relationship with God?

Parents: *We are the persons primarily responsible for this important work.*

Leader: Is anyone else to help with the guidance of this child?

People: **Yes, we too, will share in her growth, for she belongs to us as well.**

Leader: We trust that God will be with us in this awesome task.

People: **For God is faithful to us in all that we do.**

Leader: Amen.

The Presentation of the Child

Charles Poole

The Lessons

Hosea 11:1-11

Colossians 3:1-11

Major Treadway

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

In a universe larger than our imaginations, we imagine that you, O God, are larger still. We believe, then, that you are larger than any of our finite problems, greater than any of our broken dreams. We believe, now help our unbelief.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Major Treadway

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 48 “God of Creation, All-Powerful, All-Wise” *SLANE*

God of creation, all powerful, all wise,
Lord of the universe rich with surprise,
Maker, Sustainer, and Ruler of all,
we are your children—you hear when we call.

God of the ages, through time’s troubled years
you are the One in whom history coheres;
nations and empires, your purpose fulfill,
moving in freedom, yet working your will.

God of redemption, who wrought our rebirth,
called out your Church from the ends of the earth,
still you are Savior—put darkness to flight;
overcome sin by salvation’s pure light!

God of your people, your Word still stands fast—
do for us now as you’ve done in the past!
Yours is the Kingdom—your triumph we claim,
challenging evil in Jesus’ strong name.

God of our now, all our trust is in you,
Covenant-God, ever faithful and true;
Sovereign Creator, Redeemer and Lord,
now and forever your name be adored!

*The Offertory Prayer *Cade Montague*

The Offertory “I Call To Thee, Lord Jesus Christ” *Bach*

*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:

Kirby Boteler is recovering after surgery.

Judy Jernigan 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 Eighth 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 Amy Finkelberg.

The Caregiving Chair for July is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiving Chair for August is Sarah Reynolds.

The Caregiving Coordinator for July is Steve Godbold.

The Caregiver Coordinator for August is Sunny Fowler.

The Caregivers of the Week are Melissa and Steve Godbold.

The Liturgist for July is Scott Stearman.

The Liturgist for August is Amy Williams.

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

The Flowers for August are provided by Kathryn Davis, Jane Claire Williams, and Kandy Sims.

The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.

The Usher Captain for August is Matt Kelly.

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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).

The Lectionary passages for July 31 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:

Hosea 11:1-11 ~ page 737
Psalm 107:1-9, 43 ~ pages 487-488
Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23 ~ pages 536-537
Psalm 49:1-12 ~ page 451
Colossians 3:1-11 ~ pages 957-958
Luke 12:13-21 ~ page 847

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel	Luke 12:13-21	Lesley Ratcliff
Leader:	This is the Gospel of the Lord.	
People:	Thanks be to God.	
The Anthem	“Give Ear Unto Me” Derrick Burt, <i>tenor</i> J J Coker, <i>tenor</i> Give ear unto me, Lord, I beseech thee, for I have walked in thy commandments, Let me be judged with righteous judgement O let my sentence, come from thy presence, O shew thy loving kindness, Thy marvelous loving kindness, O thou that art the Saviour, of them that trust in shew thy loving kindness, Thou that are the Saviour, of them that trust in thee.	Marcello
The Sermon	“A Sermon on the Subject of God”	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

“You will never be able to escape from your heart. So it is better to listen to what it has to say.”

-Paulo Coehlo

*The Recessional Hymn No. 634 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” *CWM RHONDDA*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty—hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,
(want no more,) feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through:
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,
(strength and shield,) be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell’s destruction, land me safe on Canaan’s side:
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee,
(give to thee,) I will ever give to thee.

*The Benediction Charles Poole

*The Postlude “Rondeau” Mouret

**The congregation will please stand.*