

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.

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

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, October 16

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Preschool & Elementary Atrium & SN456
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, Adult Ed. Building
6:45 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

Monday, October 17

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR

Tuesday, October 18

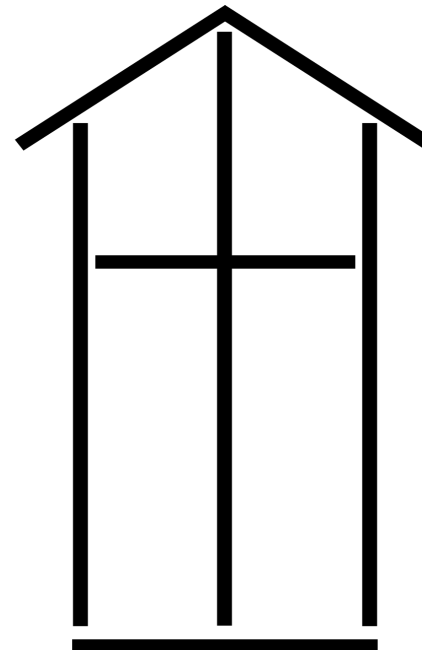
12:00 p.m. Youth Committee, L/CR
4:30 p.m. Cancer Support, L/C
5:30 p.m. Wider Net Committee, Adult Ed. Bldg.
6:00 p.m. Women's Book Study, GH

Wednesday, October 19

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
9:00 a.m. Enneagram, Adult Ed. Bldg.
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH
5:30 p.m. High School Seniors, GH
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 23

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Preschool & Elementary Atrium & SN456
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH
5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, Adult Ed. Building



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We do not find our true self by seeking it.
Rather, we find it by seeking God.

-David Benner

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 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

O Lord, we come this morning like empty pitchers to a full fountain, with knee bowed and body bent before the throne of grace.

-James Weldon Johnson

The Prelude "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Hobby

The Call to Worship "Let Your Holy Presence" Coker

Let your holy presence be upon us. Alleluia! Amen.

*The Processional Hymn No. 16 "Give to Our God Immortal Praise" *DUKE STREET*

Give to our God immortal praise;
mercy and truth are all his ways:
wonders of grace to God belong;
repeat his mercies in your song.

He built the earth, he spread the sky,
and fixed the starry lights on high:
wonders of grace to God belong;
repeat his mercies in your song.

He fills the sun with morning light;
he bids the moon direct the night:
his mercies ever shall endure,
when suns and moons shall shine no more.

He sent his Son with power to save
from guilt and darkness and the grave:
wonders of grace to God belong;
repeat his mercies in your song.

Through this vast world he guides our feet
and leads us to his heavenly seat;
his mercies ever shall endure,
when this our world shall be no more.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

October 23

Chapel Coordinators

Lida & Gregg Caraway

Firecrackers

Dana & Scott Wilson

Sparklers

Emileigh & Brennan Williams

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**BRUMFIELD HOUSE**

**October 20**

Ginger Parham

**October 27**

Josh Poole

**November 3**

Kirk Sims

**November 10**

Jimmy Allen

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STEW POT FOOD PANTRY

Monday, October 17

Mary & Chico Taylor

Tuesday, October 18

Laine & Bob Hardin

Wednesday, October 19

Hilda & Bob Boteler

Thursday, October 20

Bill Thompson

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***PARENTS' NIGHT OUT***

***Friday, November 4***

***6:00-10:00 p.m. ~ NCC***

Make a reservation for your children (infant-6th grade) by calling the church office at **601-982-4703** by **Wednesday, November 2.**

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

**We will also have Parents' Night Out on**  
December 9.

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Children's Birthday Gathering

Tuesday, November 8

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Children who have a birthday in November 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.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

*The Book of Joy:
Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*

Tuesdays through November 1
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Great Hall

Faye Barham is leading us through a discussion of this book, which captures conversations between Desmond Tutu and the Dalai Lama and ponders the question "How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering?"

A light supper will be provided for \$8 per person.

Call or email Lesley at 601-982-4703 or
lesley@northminsterbaptist.org with questions or to sign up.

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## Fall Festival

**Wednesday, October 26**

**5:30—7:00 p.m.**

~ Giant Slide ~ Games ~

~ Cookout ~ Cupcake Walk ~

~Pumpkin Painting ~

**Costume Parade at 6:00 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to join us in the "backyard" of the church for a fun evening of festivities. Dinner will be provided and served on the back porch of the Youth House at no charge.

***Rain will cancel.***

Non-Scary Costumes Preferred.

***COME JOIN THE FUN!***

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, October 19

Cooks

Judy Rankin
Sara Hays
Missy Caver

Drivers

Rt. 1 Suzan & Tommy Thames
Rt. 2 Rob Hill & Ryan McElveen

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## ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

**NOVEMBER 6, 2022**

A printed list of names of loved ones who have preceded us into God's nearer presence will be part of our worship on All Saints' Sunday. Names may be submitted by e-mail to Leslie Ward ([lward@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lward@northminsterbaptist.org)) or by printing them on the form provided in your Sunday worship bulletin, which may be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office. Forms will also be available in the church office. All names must be submitted by Monday, October 24.

On the evening of November 6, we will meet in the sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. for an All Saints' Vesper Service, at which time the names will be read aloud.

## \*The Litany of Praise

Blaine Bridges

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: We lift up our eyes to the hills; where does our help come from?

**People: Our help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: God will not let our foot slip; our Lord, who watches over us, does not slumber.

**People: Indeed, our Lord who watches over us will neither slumber nor sleep.**

Leader: God who watches over us is our shade at our right hand;

**People: The sun will not harm us by day, nor the moon at night.**

Leader: Our Lord will keep us from all harm and will watch over our lives;

**People: The Lord will watch over our coming in and our going out both now and forevermore!**

**All: Thanks be to God!**

- Psalm 121, *adapted*

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

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\*The Prayer of Invocation

Blaine Bridges

The Greeting

Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Genesis 32:22-31

II Timothy 3:14-4:5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## CONFESSON AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Unfortunately, the reality is that we tolerate being less than we are called to be.  
-John Chryssavgis

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rob Hill

## INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

\*The Offertory Hymn No. 531 "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" *ST. MARGARET*

O Love, that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light, that followest my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy, that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross, that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

\*The Offertory Prayer *Blaine Bridges*

The Offertory "Our Father in Heaven" *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!

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel *Luke 18:1-8* *Major Treadway*

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem "Amazing Grace!" *Bouman*

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come.  
His grace has brought me safe so far, his grace will see me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail and mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail in heaven's joy and peace.

The Sermon "To Be Blessed" *Major Treadway*

## STUDENT NEWS

**Youth Sunday School:** Sunday mornings at 9:15-ish in the Youth House.

There will be donuts and good conversation.

**Sunday Night at the Youth House:** 5:00 p.m. Join us for a shared meal, games, lessons, prayer and fellowship.

**For Seniors Only:** Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. All high school seniors are welcome to join Major for a series of discussions about important topics for life after high school - changing a tire, doing laundry, cooking a meal, choosing a church, planning a trip, etc.

**Halloween Party:** Sunday, October 30 at 5:00 p.m. Halloween Party at the Youth House...Scary Awesome.

**Fall Retreat:** November 12-13. All youth are invited for a retreat at Camp Wesley Pines. We will be joined by Northside Baptist Church. We will depart at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning and be back by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

**Passport 2023:** June 18 - 26. Converse University, Spartanburg, SC. Sign-ups will come later. For now, put these dates on your calendar!

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ADULT STUDIES THIS FALL

A STUDY OF THE EPISTLES OF JOHN

Led by Diann Arinder

5:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Building

Today, October 23, 30 and November 13

"How plain, how full, and how deep a compendium of genuine Christianity!"
John Wesley, like others across the ages, appreciated the epistles of John.
Join us as we explore the riches of these works!

If you need to join by zoom, the meeting information is as follows:

Meeting ID: 843 1490 6029

Passcode: Studies

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### Wednesday Night Supper

October 19

5:30 p.m. ~ Great Hall

Come join us for a delicious meal and a brief vespers service!

**Servers:** Kathy & Henry Burkhalter, Gloria Montgomery and Gayla Purvis

**Cashier:** George Luter

**Menu:** Fried chicken, rice consommé, pear salad, squash casserole, assorted desserts, iced tea

**Cost:** \$5 per child, \$8 per adult, \$25 per family

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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

Northminster is saddened by the death of Billy Pat Edgar, a member since 1970. Christian sympathy is extended to all of Billy Pat’s family and friends.

Lynda Street is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Michael Grantham Sue Edwards Virginia Hamilton
Roxanne Aldridge R.W. McCarley Libby McGee
Jack Cochran Vivian Thompson Gorman Schaffer
Robbie Cross Tom Starling Carolyn Aden

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Nineteenth 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 Susan O’Mara.  
The Caregiving Chair for October is Faye Barham.  
The Caregiver Coordinator for October is Joan Haynie.  
The Caregivers of the Week are Faye Barham and Helen Turner.  
The Liturgist for October is Anne Brawley.  
The Flowers for October are provided by Lisa Kelly, Becky Frame, Kandy Sims and Jill Buckley.  
The Usher Captain for October is Eddie Mahaffey.

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The Northminster Pulpit

During this season of our lives between Senior Pastors, Northminster welcomes the following ministers to the pulpit to offer the sermon for the day:

October 23: David Carroll, Former Minister, Galloway United Methodist Church
October 30: Kasey Jones, Associate Coordinator for Outreach and Growth, CBF
November 6: All Saints Sunday, no sermon
November 13: Joey Shelton, Dean of Chapel & Director of Church Relations, Millsaps

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Pastoral Care Number

601-980-1002

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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

Be ready to receive from the Lord and be willing to walk in the responsibility of a new anointing in your life.

-T.L. Lowery

*The Recessional Hymn No. 532 “Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

*The Benediction

Major Treadway

*The Postlude

“Let All Creation Dance”

Burkhardt

*The congregation will please stand.

The Lectionary passages for October 16 are found on the following pages in the pew Bible:

Jeremiah 31:27-34 ~ page 642
Psalm 119:97-104 ~ page 495
Genesis 32:22-31 ~ page 26
Psalm 121 ~ page 498
II Timothy 3:14-4:5 ~ pages 967-968
Luke 18:1-8 ~ page 853