

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
 Office Manager
 Financial Secretary
 Receptionist/Secretary
 Sexton

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

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

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

Monday, October 24

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

Tuesday, October 25

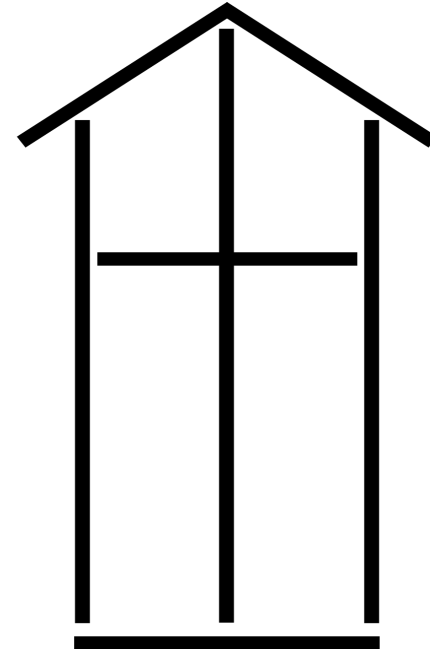
6:00 p.m. Women's Book Study, GH

Wednesday, October 26

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
 5:30 p.m. Fall Festival, NBC Backyard
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 30

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

Believing that it is in response to the call of Jesus Christ that we have given ourselves to Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior of our lives, we publicly acknowledge Jesus Christ as the head of the Church and as the true pattern for life and all of life's relationships.

-Church Covenant, Northminster Baptist Church *adapted*

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 23, 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

We say "every member a minister" which simply stated means "every member a representative of Jesus Christ" and "every member an ambassador for Christ." Wherever you are, whatever you do....any task we take on must grow out of that foundation. We perpetuate the ministry of Jesus Christ because it is the shared life in Christ that is our reason for being.

-Roger Paynter

The Prelude "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Bish

The Call to Worship "O Be Joyful 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 Bill Thompson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We covenant with Christ, and with one another:

People: To live together in love,

Leader: To bear one another's burdens,

**People: To remain ever alert to the voice of human need,
wherever the cry may be heard.**

Leader: Help us, Lord, to live deeply into our covenant with You,

People: and to live deeply into our covenant with one other.

**All: Help us to walk in the Spirit and embody Your love, within
these walls and beyond these walls. Amen.**

-Church Covenant, Northminster Baptist Church
(adapted for 50th Anniversary, 2017)

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.

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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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### 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) 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.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, October 24

Cooks

Gail Poole

Lawana McLennan

Faye Barham

Drivers

Rt. 1 Susan & Charles O'Mara

Rt. 2 Hilda & Bob Boteler

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### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

**October 30**

**Firecrackers**

Rebecca & Brooks Vance

**Sparklers**

Natalie & Cy Parks

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BRUMFIELD HOUSE

October 27

Josh Poole

November 3

Kirk Sims

November 10

Jimmy Allen

*The Gloria Patri No. 807

"Glory Be to the Father"

MEINEKE

*The Prayer of Invocation

Bill Thompson

The Greeting

Major Treadway

The Lessons

Joel 2:23-32

II Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Forgive us, Lord, for losing sight that "Jesus wants us to go ahead and live a big table, wide circle life now, so we won't be so surprised when we learn, over on the other side, that 'we' is more than 'us.'"

-Chuck Poole

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 593 "The Gift of Love"

GIFT OF LOVE

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love; my words are vain
as sounding brass and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control;
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship and are freed.

*The Offertory Prayer

Bill Thompson

The Offertory

"Aria"

White

*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!
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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

Major Treadway

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem

"The Pharisee and the Publican"

Schütz

Shirley Foster, *soprano*/Cecelia Stearman, *mezzo*
Jack McDaniel, *bass*/J J Coker, *tenor*

There were two men that went up to pray in the temple:
One of them was a Pharisee, the other a Publican.
The Pharisee, he stood and prayed within himself.
And the Publican, standing afar off,
would not lift up so much as his eyes to Heaven,
but he smote upon his breast and they spake thus:

I give thanks to thee, God, that I am not as other men are.
God be merciful, merciful to me a sinner!
I thank thee, God, I give thanks to thee, God,
that I am not as other men are, unjust, extortioners.
God, I am sinful, be thou merciful to me.
In every week I fast on two days,
and of all that I possess I give the tenth part.
Mercy on me a sinner.

I say to you: This man went from thence,
went down justified rather than the other.
He that himself exalteth, he shall abased be.
And he that humbleth himself, he shall exalted be.

The Sermon

"Front-end Alignment"

David Carroll

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

Realizing that it was to the world of human need that our Lord came, that it was for the world of people that our Lord lived and died and that it is in the world that we find ourselves called to be servants of our Lord, we dedicate our lives to ministering in the world, ever alert to the voice of human need wherever the cry may be heard

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*The Recessional Hymn No. 486 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

ARISE

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.

For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple, we would take him at his word,
and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

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 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 wish to join by zoom, the meeting information is as follows:

Meeting ID: 843 1490 6029

Passcode: Studies

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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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## 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

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 Twentieth 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 Laine and Bob Hardin.
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 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  
**November 20:** Stan Wilson, Former Associate Pastor, Northminster Baptist Church

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Pastoral Care Number

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\*The Benediction

David Carroll

\*The Postlude

"Hornpipe"

Handel

*\*The congregation will please stand.*

**The Lectionary passages for October 23 are found on the following pages in the pew Bible:**

Joel 2:23-32 ~ pages 741-742  
Psalm 65 ~ page 459  
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 ~ pages 625-626  
Psalm 84:1-7 ~ pages 472-473  
II Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 ~ page 968  
Luke 18:9-14 ~ page 853

## About Our Pulpit Guest

Reverend David Wesley Carroll is a retired United Methodist minister and since 2006 a consultant at Ministry Architects, a church consulting and project management firm based in Brentwood, Tennessee. Born in Memphis, the son of a Methodist parsonage family, David grew up in North Mississippi, graduating from Tupelo High School in 1974. At Millsaps, he majored in sociology, and following graduation in 1978, went on to complete an M.Div. at the Candler School of Theology, Emory University. During his career as a minister, he served congregations in Corinth, Columbus, Winona, and three in the Jackson area. David served on the Camping Ministries Committee of the Mississippi Conference of the UMC 1992-2015, which he chaired for 15 years; and on the board of Camp Lake Stephens in Oxford, where he chaired long-range planning efforts in the early 1990s. He was previously a member of the Advisory Board on Church and College Relations at Millsaps, served as a member of the Presidential Search Committee in 2000, and currently serves on the College Board of Trustees. David is married to Laura Smith Carroll, and they are the parents of three married Children: Ben Carroll (Brooke), Kathryn Carroll Barham (Ben), and Mary Evelyn Carroll (Charley Rowe). And they have most recently become proud grandparents of Emmy and Giles.