



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

In every life we have some trouble,
But when you worry you make it double.
Don't worry, be happy.

—Bobby McFerrin

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211

THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Third Sunday of Pentecost
 June 18, 2023
 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

Is anything too hard for the Lord? Of course not! When we face challenges too big for us to handle, we can be overcome with fear. And when we hear the promises of God's Word, we succumb to doubt. Forgive us, Lord, for our unbelief.

—From *The High Calling*

The Prelude "Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God" Buxtehude

The Call to Worship "Sing Praises" Glarum/Coker
 Sing praises unto our King!

*The Processional Hymn No. 20 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" *ODE TO JOY*

*The Litany of Praise George Watson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Heavenly Father, we acknowledge your supreme sovereignty.

People: Without you, we lose control.

Leader: We praise your Holy name.

People: We acknowledge your plan and purpose for us.

Leader: Let us give thanks, honor and glory to our Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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

*The Prayer of Invocation George Watson

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons Genesis 18:1-15
 Romans 5:1-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Our Lord listens to the cries of the people, even when no one else hears. Lord, we worship you for listening and hearing us in our time of distress.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Major Treadway

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
 Lamenais Simeon

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, June 18

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 11:30 a.m. Youth leave for Passport

Monday, June 19

5:30 p.m. ***The church office will be closed***
 Deacon Nominating Cmte., L/CR

Tuesday, June 20

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
 4:30 p.m. Cancer Support, L/CR

Wednesday, June 21

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
 10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, June 24

Youth return from Passport

Sunday, June 25

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 11:30 a.m. Deacons' Meeting, L/CR
 2:00 p.m. Civil Rights Museum Visit, NM
 Parking Lot
 5:00 p.m. Discussion about museum and dinner, GH

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CIVIL RIGHTS MUSEUM VISIT

Sunday, June 25

The Wider Net Committee is hosting a trip to the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum on Sunday, June 25, followed by a box dinner and discussion at the church.

A group will gather in the parking lot at Northminster at 2:00 p.m. to caravan and carpool to the museum. The museum is open from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and admission is free on Sundays, so anyone is welcome to go earlier than 2:00 p.m.

A group will meet in the Great Hall at 5:00 p.m. for a discussion about the museum, led by Major and Lesley. A box dinner will be available if you would like one. Please RSVP to the church office to indicate that you are coming on the trip and whether or not you would like a box dinner.

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## UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY PHOTO

Every third Sunday Kelley Williams, Sr. will be taking updated photos for the directory in the Narthex immediately following worship. There is no need to sign up. Just show up and have your picture taken!

NORTHMINSTER BIBLE CAMP



**July 28-30, 2023**

Friday 5:30 pm—8:00 pm  
Saturday 9:00 am—12:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am—11:30 am



**KIDS  
BIBLE CAMP**



To sign up, scan  
the QR  
Code or contact  
the church office  
for a form.

Questions or to Volunteer?  
Contact Neely McGinnis  
neelylauderdale@gmail.com  
or 769-257-8077

## INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

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| *The Offertory Hymn No. 60 | “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”        | <i>FAITHFULNESS</i>       |
| *The Offertory Prayer      |                                    | George Watson             |
| The Offertory              | “Eternal Spirit of the Living God” | Callahan                  |
| *The Doxology              |                                    | <i>LASST UNS ERFREUEN</i> |

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

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| The Gospel | Matthew 9:35-10:8                  | Lesley Ratcliff |
| Leader:    | This is the Gospel of the Lord.    |                 |
| People:    | <b>Thanks be to God.</b>           |                 |
| The Anthem | “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” | Young           |

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,  
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you,  
Full of pity, love and pow’r:  
He is able, He is able,  
He is willing, doubt no more.

Let not conscience make you linger,  
Nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness He requireth  
Is to feel your need of Him:  
This He gives you, this He gives you;  
‘Tis the Spirit’s glimmering beam.

Saints and angels, joined in concert,  
Sing the praises of the Lamb;  
While the blissful seats of heaven  
Sweetly echo with His name:  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Sinners here may do the same.

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| The Sermon | “God Has Brought Laughter” | Lesley Ratcliff |
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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 an invitation to membership by 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 come forward at this point in the service.

## TIME OF RESPONSE

And Sarah declared, “God has brought me laughter. All who hear about this [bearing a child in her old age] will laugh with me.”

—Genesis 21:6

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

\*The Benediction Lesley Ratcliff

\*The Postlude “Holy, Holy, Holy” Burkhardt

*\*The congregation will please stand.*

**The Lectionary passages for June 18 are found on the following pages in the pew Bible:**

Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7) ~ pages 12 and 14-15

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 ~ pages 491-492

Romans 5:1-8 ~ page 917

Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23) ~ pages 790-791

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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:

June 25: David Carroll, Former Minister, Galloway United Methodist Church

July 2: Major Treadway

July 9: Jason Coker, President, Together for Hope

July 16: Major Treadway

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

June 25

Chapel Coordinators

Dabbs & Jeffery Massey

Firecrackers

Taylor & Justin Beard

Sparklers

Megan Wylie & Hart Wylie

July 2

Firecrackers

Sophia Maneck & Rachel Roy

Sparklers

Ceejaye & Mitch Peters

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## MEALS ON WHEELS

### Wednesday, June 21

#### **Cooks**

Sara Hays  
Missy Caver  
Judy Rankin

#### **Drivers**

Rt. 1 Nancy Smith & Amy Finkelberg  
Rt. 2 Rob Hill & Ryan McElveen

### Monday, June 26

#### **Cooks**

Jean Welsh  
Helen Turner  
Polly Watkins

#### **Drivers**

Rt. 1 Becky & Tim Frame, Gayla Purvis  
Rt. 2 Pat & Mike Beall

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BRUMFIELD HOUSE

June 22

Bo Allen

June 29

Josh Poole

July 6

Jeff Wilson

July 13

Joe Sims

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## YOUTH NEWS

### Youth Sunday School

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

### M-Braves Game and Fireworks

**Tuesday, July 4 at 6:00 p.m.** Meet at the church at 5:30 or meet at the game at 6:00. Cheer on the M-Braves and enjoy some fireworks. If you would like to join, let Major know by July 2.

### Youth House Refresh and Dreaming

**Tuesday, July 18 at 6:30 p.m.** Come walk through the Youth House with Building Maintenance Committee Chairperson Jason Greener and dream about how we might refresh the space to best meet the needs of current and future youth.

### Pool Party

**Wednesday, July 26, 6:00-8:00 p.m.** Swim Night at Alex and Elise Williams' house (2672 Lake Circle). Bring a swimsuit and towel.

### Lock-in

**Friday, August 4-Saturday, August 5.** 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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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

J. W. Caver	B.S. in Marketing, University of Mississippi
Charlotte Layne Palmer	B.A. in Psychology, University of Mississippi
Major Treadway	Doctor of Ministry, Duke University
Nevin Wells	Masters in Sports Analytics, University of Mississippi

*Please call or email the church office at
601-982-4703 or lward@northminsterbaptist.org
with names, degree and school information.*

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## **SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN**

**Sundays through August 6, 9:15-10:15**

Summer Sunday School is rotation based with  
a story, games, music, acting and crafts.

We hope your kids will join us!

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Children's Birthday Gathering

**Tuesday, July 11
3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Children who have a birthday in July are
invited to stop by the Northminster Great
Hall to enjoy an ice cream treat with Lesley.

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

Sam Sanders, 1108 Center Point Lane, Hazlehurst, MS 39083, is recovering after surgery.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Mary Lou Jernigan	Sue Edwards	Virginia Hamilton
Roxanne Aldridge	R.W. McCarley	Libby McGee
Carolyn Aden	Vivian Thompson	Gorman Schaffer
Robbie Cross	Tom Starling	
Michael Grantham	Eliza Skene	

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Third 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 June is Janice Joyner.

The Caregiver Coordinators for June are Susie Friou and Kathryn Davis.

The Caregivers of the Week are Betty Brown Edgar and Anna Katherine Scott.

The Liturgist for June is Jo Ann Welch.

The Flowers for June are provided by Becky Frame, Jill Buckley and  
Kathryn Davis.

The Usher Captain for June is Dawn Warrington.

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Wyatt Waters Prints

If you have already ordered a print of the Wyatt Waters painting presented to Chuck and Marcia Poole on the occasion of their retirement, it is available to be picked up at the church office. Please contact the church office at 601-982-4703 or lward@northminsterbaptist.org with any questions.

(You may order directly from the Wyatt Waters Gallery if you would still like a print at <https://wyattwaters.com/products/print-in-the-clouds>.)

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In observance of Juneteenth, the church office will be closed  
Monday, June 19. Caregiving will meet Tuesday, June 20 at 8:30 a.m.  
For pastoral care needs, please call 601-980-1002.