



## **THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

How great are the promises of God!  
From earliest prophecies we live in a  
state of promises fulfilled. Let us  
then live as a people of God's great  
hope and promise!

***NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH***  
***3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211***

**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
 July 16, 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

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,  
 Here I am to say that you're my God.  
 You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
 Altogether wonderful to me.  
 —Tim Hughes, "Here I Am to Worship"

The Prelude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Pethel

The Spoken Call to Worship Major Treadway

\*The Processional Hymn No. 48 "God of Creation" *SLANE*

\*The Litany of Praise Chesley Quinn

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: God has promised that as the rain and snow fall from heaven,

**People: The earth shall be watered and come forth with new growth.**

Leader: And God has promised likewise that if we go out with joy  
 and are led forth with peace,

**People: The mountains will break forth with joy and great promise.**

**All: So shall the trees of the field clap their hands as an everlasting  
 sign of the fulfillment of God's promises.**

—Isaiah 55:11-12, adapted

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

\*The Prayer of Invocation Chesley Quinn

The Greeting Major Treadway

The Lessons Genesis 25:19-34  
 Romans 8:1-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand;  
 I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
 Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light;  
 Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

—Thomas Dorsey, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Courtney Allen Crump

**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  
 Lamenaïs Simeon

**THE CHURCH IN SERVICE**

**Sunday, July 16**

8:30 a.m.	Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
11:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting

**Monday, July 17**

8:30 a.m.	Caregiving, L/CR
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**Tuesday, July 18**

4:30 p.m.	Cancer Support, L/CR
6:30 p.m.	Youth House Refresh & Dreaming, YH

**Wednesday, July 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

***Kids return from Passport Camp***

**Sunday, July 23**

8:30 a.m.	Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

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 3955 Ridgewood Road  
 Jackson, MS 39211  
 601-982-4703  
[www.northminsterbaptist.org](http://www.northminsterbaptist.org)

## 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](mailto: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.>)

NORTHMINSTER BIBLE CAMP

# PLAY

IT FORWARD

**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](mailto:neelylauderdale@gmail.com)  
or 769-257-8077

## INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

\*The Offertory Hymn No. 694 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” *AUSTRIAN HYMN*

\*The Offertory Prayer Chesley Quinn

The Offertory “Have No Fear, Little Flock” Burkhardt

\*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 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 Major Treadway

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem “His Eye Is on the Sparrow” Hopson  
*Amanda Milam, soprano*

Why should I feel discouraged, why should the shadows come,  
why should my heart be lonely and long for heav’n and home,  
when Jesus is my portion? My constant friend is he:  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

### **Refrain:**

*I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free.  
For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.*

“Let not your heart be troubled,” his tender words I hear,  
and resting on his goodness, I lose my doubts and fears;  
though by the path he leadeth, but one step I may see:  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

### **Refrain:**

Whenever I am tempted, whenever clouds arise,  
when song gives place to sighing, when hope within me dies,  
I draw the closer to him, from care he sets me free:  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me;  
his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

### **Refrain:**

The Sermon Major Treadway

## 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

How vast the goodness of God! How immeasurable God’s love and grace! That we who know the crushing reality of sin could also know that forgiveness comes to us like a fountain of such constancy and love!

*The Recessional Hymn No. 708	“Blest Be the Tie that Binds”	DENNIS
*The Benediction		Major Treadway
*The Postlude	“God of Grace”	Manz

*\*The congregation will please stand.*

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

Genesis 25:19-34 ~ page 19  
 Psalm 119:105-112 ~ page 496-496  
 Isaiah 55:10-13 ~ page 598  
 Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13 ~ page 459  
 Romans 8:1-11 ~ pages 918-919  
 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 ~ page 794

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## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

immediately following the worship service

### Agenda

Recommendation from  
Senior Pastor Search Committee

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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:

<b>July 23:</b>	Jason Coker, President, Together for Hope
<b>July 30:</b>	Major Treadway
<b>August 6:</b>	Lesley Ratcliff
<b>August 13:</b>	Jason Coker, President, Together for Hope

## CHILDREN’S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### July 23

**Chapel Coordinators**  
Jennifer & Christian Byrd

**Firecrackers**  
Gates & Kyle Skene

**Sparklers**  
Judy Gregory & Olivia Studdard

### July 30

Bible Camp

### August 6

**Firecrackers**  
Taylor and Justin Beard  
**Sparklers**  
Ramsey & Brian Long

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## MEALS ON WHEELS

### Wednesday, July 19

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| <b><u>Cooks</u></b><br>Cathy Davis<br>Elizabeth Quinn<br>Kathy Burkhalter | <b><u>Drivers</u></b><br>Rt. 1 Beverly & Tim Lawrence<br>Rt. 2 Monica Daniels & Carol Taff |
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### Monday, July 24

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| <b><u>Cooks</u></b><br>Gail Poole<br>Lawana McLennan<br>Faye Barham | <b><u>Drivers</u></b><br>Rt. 1 Luke Dove & Bob Hardin<br>Rt. 2 Kay Allen & Geri Smith |
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## CHILDREN’S SERVICE DAY & PLAYDATE TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

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

Children who have completed first through sixth grade are invited to join us for a morning of service and then participate in the playdate at 11:00.

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

Children younger than first grade are invited to join the playdate at the church.

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## BOXES NEEDED FOR BIBLE CAMP

If you have boxes that you would like to get rid of, please contact the church office, 601-982-4703 or [lward@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lward@northminsterbaptist.org), and we will arrange for someone to pick them up.

Thanks for helping us prepare for “Play It Forward” Bible Camp 2023!

## YOUTH NEWS

### Youth Sunday School

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

### 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
Blair Stockett	Masters of Business Administration, Mississippi State University
Carter Stockett	Bachelor of Accountancy, 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](mailto: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 a.m.**

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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## **BRUMFIELD HOUSE**

### July 20

Eddie Mahaffey

### July 27

Scott Wilson

### August 3

Skipper Jernigan

### August 10

Mitch Peters

## 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 David and Miles Munn on the birth of their son, Henry Taylor Munn. Henry is also joined by his siblings, Bailey and Abby Munn.

## ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

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

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.

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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 Ginger Parham.

The Caregiving Chair for July is Sunny Fowler.

The Caregiving Coordinators for July are Faye Barham and Annette Hitt.

The Caregiver of the Week is Gail England.

The Liturgist for July is Richard Joiner.

The Flowers for July are provided by Jennifer Stribling, Lisa Kelly,

Jane Claire Williams and Kathryn Sams.

The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.

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*The flowers on the altar are given in celebration of Jean Williams' birthday by all of her children and grandchildren.*

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*The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the birth of Henry Taylor Munn. The proud parents are David and Miles Munn.*