



NORTHMINSTER NEWS

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MS

December 13, 2023



Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

Sunday, December 24

5:30 p.m.

Pre-service music begins
at 5:00 p.m.

Childcare will be available.

An Advent Gathering for Women

Join us for a time of reflection and creativity
as we begin the season of Advent

Tonight

5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Great Hall

A light supper will be provided for \$10.
RSVP to Lesley at lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

SPANN KINDERGARTENERS SING CAROLS

You are invited to join the Adopt-A-School Committee
in listening to the Spann School Kindergarteners
sing Christmas Carols Friday, December 15 at
11:00 a.m. in the Great Hall

Northminster Essentials

Sunday, January 21 through Sunday, March 3

9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Library (room opposite the main office)

If you are seeking to better understand the history and practices of the family of faith called Northminster, whether you are a friend of the church, a prospective or new member wanting to become more involved in the life of the church, or a long-time member wanting to expand your knowledge of Northminster, this is the course for you.

For questions or to sign up, please call the church office at
601-982-4703 or email Lesley at lesley@northminsterbaptist.org.

The church office will be closed
Monday, December 25, Tuesday,
December 26 and Monday, January 1.

For pastoral care needs,
please call 601-980-1002.

Caregivers will meet Tuesday, January 2.

Welcome

Leah and Tal Hendrix
Cobb, Ann Mabry,
Mary Tait, and Walt

CAREGIVING CONCERNS

CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Carla Holt is recovering at the Sienna at St. Catherine's.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Christine, Bryan, Blaine and Gray Bridges on the death of Christine's father, Billy Riddle.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Carolyn Aden	Libby McGee	Sue Edwards
Robbie Cross	Roxanne Aldridge	Roger Paynter
Gorman Schaffer	Virginia Hamilton	R. W. McCarley
Mary Lou Jernigan	Tom Starling	
Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles		

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

December 17

Firecrackers

Ramsey & Brian Long

Sparklers

Rebecca & Brooks Vance

December 24

Firecrackers

Melissa Robinson & Mike Kitchell

Sparklers

Judy Gregory & Olivia Studdard

MEALS ON WHEELS

Wednesday, December 20

Cooks

Rose Mary Porter

Kathryn Davis

Jan Stewart

Drivers

Rt. 1 Suzan & Tommy Thames

Rt. 2 Beverly Raddin &
Taylor Pedigo

The Season of Advent

The Worship and Music Committee offers this year's edition of *The Season of Advent 2023* devotional guide as a gift to our congregation. We hope that the creative expressions and offerings by members and friends will encourage and enhance moments of individual worship throughout this season of expectant waiting. Copies are available throughout the church for you to take and share.

Grace House Food Pantry

Reminder

Northminster has a drop off location at the church near the back entrance. There is a box located under the staircase in the narthex that leads to the balcony. Grace House employees will pick up the items about once or twice a month. The Grace House website has a list of suitable nonperishable food items under "list of current needs" at

<https://www.gracehousems.org/gifts-and-donations>.

THIS MONTH/WEEK IN ACTION



—DEACON OF THE WEEK—

December 10-16

Trey Clark

December 17-23

Eddie Mahaffey

December 24-30

Holly Wiggs

— CAREGIVING —

CAREGIVING CHAIR FOR DECEMBER

Annette Hitt

CAREGIVING COORDINATORS FOR DECEMBER

Annette Hitt, Janice Joyner,
Sarah Reynolds, Sunny Fowler

CAREGIVING CHAIR FOR JANUARY

Annette Hitt

CAREGIVING COORDINATORS FOR JANUARY

Faye Barham
Susie Friou

CAREGIVER(S) OF THE WEEK

December 10-16

Sarah Reynolds

December 17-23

Faye Barham

December 24-30

Annette Hitt

LITURGIST FOR DECEMBER

Amanda Milam

LITURGIST FOR JANUARY

Richard Joiner

FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER

Lisa Kelly
Kandy Sims

FLOWERS FOR JANUARY

Jennifer Stribling
Becky Frame
Jennifer Stribling
Kandy Sims

USHER CAPTAIN FOR DECEMBER

Keith Davis

USHER CAPTAIN FOR JANUARY

Dawn Warrington

AUDIO/VIDEO FOR DECEMBER

Bill Thompson
Steve Cook

AUDIO/VIDEO FOR JANUARY

Kelley Williams, Jr.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Sunday School

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

Return to Sunday Nights at the Youth House

Join us January 7 at 5:00 p.m. for a shared meal, games, lessons, prayer and fellowship.

Stewpot

Saturday, February 4, 9:30 a.m.
We will gather in the Great Hall kitchen and prepare a meal to be served at Stewpot, then we will eat lunch together.

Youth Sunday/Dessert Auction

February 11. Youth lead worship and teach Sunday school, followed by a church-wide luncheon and dessert auction to raise money for youth trips and activities.

Spring Break Beach Retreat

March 11-14. Somewhere at or near Orange Beach. More details to come.

Children's Birthday Gathering

**Tuesday, January 23
3:00-5:00 p.m.**

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

Preschool and Elementary Atrium, and SN456 will resume on Sunday, January 7 at 5:00 p.m.

Brumfield House

December 14

Bryan Bridges

December 21

Andy Frame

December 28

Jeff Wilson

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers

Meals on Wheels needs a cook for the Monday rotations.

If you are interested, please contact Peggy Brady at 601-201-6242 or giggybrady@gmail.com.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

**Friday, January 19
6:00-10:00 p.m. ~ NCC**

You can make a reservation for your children (infant-6th grade) by calling the church office, **601-982-4703**, by **Wednesday, January 17.**

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

Parents of 6th graders are invited to attend the

Mentor Parents' Meeting

on

**Wednesday, January 10
at 6:00 p.m.
in the Library**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, December 13

5:00 p.m. Women's Advent Gathering, GH

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 15

11:00 a.m. Spann Kindergarten Christmas Caroling, GH

Sunday, December 17

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:00 a.m. Living Nativity Practice, Choir Suite

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, December 18

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

Wednesday, December 20

10:00 a.m. Meal on Wheels

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 24

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:00 a.m. Living Nativity Practice, Choir Suite

10:30 a.m. Worship

4:30 p.m. Living Nativity

5:00 p.m. Pre-Service Music

5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

Monday, December 25

Church Office closed

Tuesday, December 26

Church Office Closed

Sunday, December 31

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

11:30 a.m. Treadway Reception, GH

6:00 p.m. New Years' Eve Meditation, Sanctuary

Monday, January 1

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, January 2

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

Wednesday, January 3

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study L/CR

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, January 7

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship/Communion

5:00 p.m. Preschool & Elementary Atrium and FourSix, NCC

5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

Monday, January 8

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

Pastoral Care Number

To alert the ministers of a pastoral care need, please call 601-980-1002.

Pastor on Call

Weekends and Monday: Rotating

Tuesday: Scott

Wednesday: Lesley

Thursday: Scott

Friday: Major

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SAVE THE DATE!

Northminster Women's Retreat 2024

Friday, February 16 – Sunday, February 18
Eagle Ridge Conference Center
Raymond, MS

Worship at Northminster

Northminster continues to be a welcoming space for members, friends, and guests. The Worship and Music Committee has discussed ways to be more inclusive and hospitable to those who are new to our worship service. As a result, the words to the "Gloria Patri" and "The Lord's Prayer" will be included in our worship bulletin. Since our service begins in silence as we enter the sanctuary, we hope that all will extend a hand, share a smile, or offer a word of welcome to our guests following the service.

THE LIVING NATIVITY

Children in the Beginners, Firecrackers and Sparklers classes, as well as all 1st through 6th graders, are invited to be a part of the Living Nativity which is a part of the pre-service music for the Christmas Eve Service. The remaining rehearsal schedule is as follows:

December 17 from 9-9:30 a.m.
December 24 at 4:30 p.m.

All rehearsals will be in the Choir Room, except for December 24, when we meet in the Great Hall. Because rehearsal times are short, please be on time and present for as many rehearsals as possible.

Northminster Birthdays

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> <i>Nancy Bourn</i> <i>Gail England</i> <i>Edwin Pittman</i>	<i>3</i> <i>John Broderick</i> <i>Tim Coker</i>	<i>4</i> <i>West Garraway</i>	<i>5</i> <i>Chesley Quinn</i> <i>Ken Sones</i> <i>Debra Thomas</i> <i>Polly Watkins</i>	<i>6</i> <i>Michael Starling</i> <i>Jenai Walkinshaw</i>
<i>7</i> <i>Melanie Wakeland</i>	<i>8</i> <i>Patricia McClure</i> <i>Battle Nix</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> <i>Phinn Snow</i> <i>Ford Sones</i> <i>Zach Williams</i>	<i>11</i> <i>Parker Smith</i>	<i>12</i> <i>Lee Wilson</i>	<i>13</i> <i>Nelson Parrott</i> <i>Bill Thompson</i> <i>Ken Toler</i> <i>Bob Yarbrough</i>
<i>14</i> <i>Elizabeth Bowen</i> <i>Stacy Hite</i> <i>Katharine Martin</i> <i>Clint Moody</i> <i>Grayton Thames</i>	<i>15</i> <i>Kaylee Ashford</i> <i>Crisler Boone</i> <i>Eli Everett</i>	<i>16</i> <i>Carla Holt</i>	<i>17</i> <i>Bailey Blount</i> <i>Robyn Perkins</i>	<i>18</i> <i>Merle Allen</i> <i>Davis Rippee</i> <i>Rebecca Vance</i> <i>Kyle Watson</i> <i>Jan McDonnieal-Wilson</i>	<i>19</i> <i>Michael Borne</i> <i>Virginia Pittman</i>	<i>20</i> <i>Elizabeth Anne Black</i> <i>Jeff Wilson</i>
<i>21</i> <i>Hart Noblitt</i> <i>Alison Phillips</i> <i>Savannah Thomas</i>	<i>22</i> <i>Barrett Kimmel</i> <i>Linda S. Lamar</i> <i>Ellen Ruth Stancill</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i> <i>Lisa Cobb</i> <i>Sherry Partridge</i>	<i>25</i> <i>Elizabeth Quinn</i>	<i>26</i> <i>Ashley Borne</i> <i>Polly Bourne</i> <i>Jean Moak</i> <i>Sally Thompson</i> <i>Samuel Vance</i>	<i>27</i> <i>Judy Gregory</i> <i>Thaddaeus Hardge</i> <i>Matt Hicks</i> <i>Phifer Johnston</i> <i>Nevin Wells</i>
<i>28</i> <i>Dolph Baker</i> <i>Keith Cleveland</i> <i>Sandra Crosthwait</i> <i>Joe Schmelzer</i> <i>Lamenais Simeon</i>	<i>29</i> <i>Doug Caver</i> <i>Christopher Dove</i> <i>Philip Taff</i> <i>Phyllis Toler</i>	<i>30</i> <i>Mary Kathryn Allen</i> <i>Jordan Ashford</i> <i>Dawn McCarley</i> <i>Justin McClure, Jr.</i> <i>Brian O'Shea</i> <i>Roger Paynter</i> <i>Barbara Webb</i>	<i>31</i> <i>Mac Dickison</i> <i>Michael Herrington</i>			