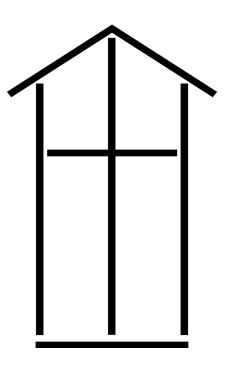
MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH Every member a minister

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.

Senior Pastor	Scott Dickison
Associate Pastor for Children and Adults	Lesley Ratcliff
Minister of Music	Tim Coker
Organist	Sheila Hess
Organist Emeritus	Billy Trotter
Office Manager	Leslie Ward
Financial Secretary	Sam South
Receptionist/Secretary	Jan Wilson/Neely Grimsley
Sexton	Lamenais Simeon

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, January 21	
8:30 a.m.	Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Northminster Essentials
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
2:00 p.m.	Scott Dickison Installation and
•	Reception, Sanctuary and GH
5:00 p.m.	Preschool and Elementary Atrium
•	and Four5Six
5:00 p.m.	Youth, YH
Monday, January 22	
8:30 a.m.	Caregiving, L/CR
10:30 a.m.	Meals on Wheels
Tuesday, January 23	
12:00 p.m.	Youth Cmte. YH
3:00 p.m.	Children's Birthday Gathering, GH
5:30 p.m.	Finance Cmte., GH
Wednesday, January 24	
7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Supper
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, January 28	
8:30 a.m.	Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Northminster Essentials
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
3:30 p.m.	Guys' Scavenger Hunt, Playground
5:00 p.m.	Preschool and Elementary Atrium
- 00	and Four5Six
5:00 p.m.	Youth, YH
5:30 p.m.	Adult Studies, GH



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

They cast their nets in Galilee, before the hills of brown; Such happy simple fishermen, before the Lord came down. Contented, peaceful fishermen before they ever knew The peace of God that filled their hearts brimful and broke them too. The peace of God, it is no peace, but strife closed in the sod, Yet let us pray for just one thing—the marvelous peace of God.

—William Alexander Percy, 1942

THE ACT OF WORSHIP The Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 21, 2024 Ten-thirty o'clock

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

The Prelude

"Creator of the Stars of Night"

Held

The Meditation of Preparation

How shall I be fit to meet you, and welcome you to my world? Nations have longed to greet you, my door is open as well. O Fount of Life shine brightly upon my darkened heart, That I may serve you rightly, and know you as my Lord!

-Paul Gerhardt, 1676, adapted

The Call to Worship

"This Still Room"

Davenport

And so I find it well to come for deeper rest to this still room, For here the habit of the soul feels less the outer world's control; The strength of mutual purpose pleads more earnestly our common needs; And from the silence multiplied by these still forms on either side, The world that time and sense have known falls off and leaves us God alone.

*The Processional Hymn No. 108 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

*The Litany of Praise

Katy Mayhan

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Our souls wait for God to speak: Leader:

For God is our stronghold and our salvation.

People: We trust in God at all times; We pour out our hearts

Before God, our refuge and our strength.

Power and loving kindness alone belong to God, Leader:

Our glory and our hope.

People: We praise you, O God, for You are our salvation,

Our glory, and our hope.

All: Our trust will be in You for all our days.

-Psalm 62, adapted

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

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen, Amen.

*The Prayer of Invocation

Katy Mayhan

SAVE THE DATE! Northminster Women's Retreat 2024

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

INSIDE OUT

Anger. Fear. Sadness. Joy. Disgust. They are not just characters in one of the best movies of all time.

They are real emotions that when processed well help us live more fully in God's way. We will explore stories of scripture, and spiritual practices of our own faith and others, that help us process these emotions well. We'll also enjoy a movie night and a time of creative response, share our stories and deepen our friendships with one

> Cost: \$225 per person: \$300 for a single room Cost should never keep someone from attending. If there is a need for a scholarship, please contact Leslev Ratcliff.

Questions? Contact Lesley Ratcliff at leslev@northminsterbaptist.org or 601-927-0259.

Wednesday Night Supper, January 24 5:30 p.m. — Great Hall

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

\$5 per child, \$8 per adult, \$25 per family

Servers: Anna Katherine Scott, Ann Calhoon, Hilda Boteler,

Sandi Rhoden, Judy Rankin, Sara Cox, Cade Montague

Cashier: George Luter

Fried Chicken, savory green salad, rice consommé Menu:

squash casserole, biscuits and cornbread, caramel cake

and pound cake, iced tea



If you would like to donate a dessert for the auction, contact Jennifer Stribling 601-209-2223 or Jennifer Stribling@me.com

Northminster & Beth Israel Pulpit Swap February 2nd and 4th

In celebration of the ongoing friendship between Northminster and Beth Israel Congregation, Beth Israel will welcome Rev. Scott Dickison to the pulpit on Friday, February 2nd at 6:15 p.m., and Northminster will welcome Rabbi Joseph Rosen to the pulpit on Sunday, February 4th at 10:30 a.m. Members of both congregations are encouraged to attend both services!

During the Sunday School hour on February 4, Northminster will host a light breakfast and a Q&A with Rabbi Rosen, in the Great Hall.

FIRST THROUGH SIXTH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SCAVENCER ME, IT WEEL VI LHE NOBLHINZIEK braackonnd to zlykl lhe HANLZI GIRLS'SCAVENGER HUNT

Contact Lesley at lesley @ northminsterbaptist.org to sign up!

The Witness of Christian Baptism

The Baptismal Affirmation

In Unison

Blaine Bridges

Blaine, we share in your joy today. Your profession of "Jesus is Lord" has made you one with us and with all believers everywhere. May today mark the beginning of your journey toward both the molding of your life to Christ's example and the discovery of your unique gifts for the betterment of the world in Christ's service. We pledge to you our encouragement and all the resources of our congregation as you continue to grow in Christ. May the peace of God the Father, the fellowship of the Spirit, and the love of the Son be with you always.

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 I Corinthians 7:29-31

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Great and gracious God, we have known your presence in our midst through calls to personhood, to faith, to justice, and to action. We turn humbly in confession to acknowledge that we have failed you, and each other, and ourselves.

—Davida Fov Crabtree

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION

*The Offertory Hymn No. 532 "Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

Manz

*The Offertory Prayer

Katy Mayhan

The Offertory *The Doxology "Twas in the Moon of Wintertime"

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

Mark 1:14-20 Scott Dickison The Gospel

> Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. The Anthem "He Comes to Us" Marshall

He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lakeside, He came to those men who knew Him not. He speaks to us, He speaks the same word: Follow thou me! and sets us to the task which He has to fulfill for our time.

He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship and, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience Who He is.

Chorale:

Morning Star, how fair and bright. Thou beamest forth in truth and light! O Sovereign meek and lowly.

Thou Root of Jesse, David's Son, My Lord and Master, Thou has won My heart to serve Thee solely!

Thou art holy, Fair and glorious, all victorious, Rich in blessing, Rule and might o'er all possessing.

The Sermon

"Leaving Our Nets"

Scott Dickison

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

Leaving our burdens and guilt behind, we step forward as a new people, Restored, redeemed, and recreated as instruments for God's kingdom.

-James Richard Joiner

*The Recessional Hymn No. 539 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" HOUSTON

*The Benediction Scott Dickison

*The Postlude "Lift Up Your Heads" Cherwien

The Lectionary passages January 21 are found on the following pages in the pew Bible:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 ~ page 753 Psalm 62:5-12 ~ page 458 I Corinthians 7:29-31 ~ page 930 Mark 1:14-20 ~ page 812

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Reverend Scott H. Dickinson by the Dear Friends—Rev. Courtney Allen Crump, Rev. Greg Dover, Rev. Emily Hull McGee, Rev. Alan Sherouse, and Rev. Garrett Vickrey.

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.

NORTHMINSTER ESSENTIALS

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.

Studying the Bible as Spiritual Practice

January 28 and February 4 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

We will begin this semester of Adult Studies with this offering led by Scott Dickison.

There are many good and understandable reasons why even the most committed person of faith would reach for sources beyond the Bible for spiritual growth and practice. Devotional books, podcasts, and other resources abound. Dig a little deeper and it's probably true—as with so many things—that the more we learn about scripture, the more we know we don't know! Over these two weeks Scott will lead a discussion about what scripture is and isn't and how we can approach it anew as a foundational spiritual resource.

Lunch & Learn with Marshall Ramsey

January 30 at 12:00 p.m.

Marshall will be sharing his story and his cartoons, while we enjoy a meal together. Lunch will be \$10 and can be paid at the door.

RSVP by January 25 to lesley@northminsterbaptist.org or 601-982-4703

^{*}The congregation will please stand.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Sunday School

Join us at 9:15 a.m. There will be donuts and good conversation.

Sunday Nights at the Youth House

Tonight at 5:00 p.m. Join us for dinner and fellowship.

Stewpot

Saturday, February 3 at 9:30 a.m. Meet in the Great Hall kitchen where we will prepare a meal to be served at Stewpot. We will go out to eat lunch when we finish.

Youth Sunday & Dessert Auction

February 11. Youth lead worship and teach Sunday school, followed by a churchwide luncheon and dessert auction to raise money for youth trips and activities. If you would like to donate a dessert for the auction email JenniferStribling@me.com.

Spring Break Beach Trip to Orange Beach

March 11-14. More details to come.

BRUMFIELD HOUSE

January 25

Skipper Jernigan

February 1

Joe Sims

February 8

Mike Peters

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

January 28

Chapel Coordinators

Mary Ellen & Jeff Stancill

Firecrackers

Lorraine & Smith Boykin

Sparklers

Leah & Tal Hendrix

MEALS ON WHEELS

Monday, January 22

Missy Caver Polly Watkins Jean Welsh

Cooks

Rt. 1 Luke Dove & Bob Hardin Rt. 2 Carol Taff & Steve Bass

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.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Gorman Schaffer Sue Edwards Virginia Hamilton Libby McGee Roxanne Aldridge R.W. McCarley Carolyn Aden Mary Lou Jernigan Robbie Cross Tom Starling Roger Paynter Carla Holt

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

Remember those in military service: Milton Greenwood

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the Third Sunday after Epiphany. Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of God in Jesus Christ. The season after Epiphany continues that emphasis, calling attention to the words and deeds of Jesus' earthly ministry. The liturgical color for the Sundays after Epiphany is green.

The Deacon of the Week is Justin Beard.

The Caregiving Chair for January is Annette Hitt.

The Caregiving Coordinators for January are Faye Barham and Susie Friou.

The Caregivers of the Week are Kathryn Davis and Guy Parker III.

The Liturgist for January is Richard Joiner.

The Flowers for January are provided by Jennifer Stribling and Kandy Sims.

The Usher Captain for January is Dawn Warrington.

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH

invites you to the

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

OF

REVEREND SCOTT H. DICKISON

Today

2:00 p.m.

Northminster Baptist Church 3955 Ridgewood Road Jackson, Mississippi

Reception to follow