



# NORTHMINSTER NEWS

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MS

January 17, 2024



## 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, email Lesley  
at [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org).

## NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH

invites you to the

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION

OF

REVEREND SCOTT H. DICKISON

Sunday, January 21, 2024

2:00 p.m.

Northminster Baptist Church

3955 Ridgewood Road

Jackson, Mississippi

Reception to follow

## Now. Here. This.

In a recent sermon I shared that not long before he died, Thomas Merton, the great writer, thinker and Trappist monk, is said to have meditated upon three words that helped him slow down and appreciate the simple beauties, blessings, and possibilities that fill each and every moment. Now. Here. This.

**Now:** not some memory of the past or dream of the future, but the present moment

**Here:** the place where you are and the people you are with

**This:** the task or activity before you that demands and deserves your attention

As we begin this new year together, my plan is to reserve a small space in each edition of our newsletter under this heading: *Now. Here. This.* The focus will be simple but broad: the present moment and how we can live well, faithfully and together in it.

At times I may draw our attention to special happenings within our congregation or community. In other times I may lift up particular ministries or bodies within the church who are leading us in special ways. And, because I can't not, there will almost certainly be the occasional poem or devotional thought mixed in.

*Now. Here. This.* It's where we already are even when we feel otherwise. From this month on it's also where we'll meet. More importantly, it's where God always is.

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## 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.

*Welcome*

Blaine Bridges

## **CAREGIVING CONCERNS**

### **CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS**

### **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	Carla Holt

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

Remember those in military service: Milton Greenwood

### **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP**

**January 21**

**Firecrackers**

Whitney & Slates Veazey

**Sparklers**

Caroline & Kirk Sims

### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

**Monday, January 22**

#### **Cooks**

Missy Caver  
Polly Watkins  
Jean Welsh

#### **Drivers**

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

## **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.

Cost: \$10.00

Marshall will be sharing his story and his  
cartoons, while we enjoy a meal together.

RSVP by January 25 to

lesley@northminsterbaptist.org or 601-982-4703

## **Steve Chester Tribute**

Northminster members are invited to attend the Steve Chester Tribute Concert at Wells Methodist Church on Sunday, February 4th at 4:00 p.m. Steve was an accomplished musician and a member of the Northminster choir. Some of Steve's former bandmates and good friends will celebrate his music.

## **THIS MONTH/WEEK IN ACTION**



### **—DEACON OF THE WEEK—**

**January 14-20**

Carrie Blount

**January 21-27**

Justin Beard

**January 28-February 3**

Trey Clark

### **— CAREGIVING —**

**CAREGIVING CHAIR  
FOR JANUARY**

Annette Hitt

**CAREGIVING COORDINATORS  
FOR JANUARY**

Faye Barham  
Susie Friou

**CAREGIVING CHAIR  
FOR FEBRUARY**

Sarah Reynolds

**CAREGIVING COORDINATOR  
FOR FEBRUARY**

Gail England

### **CAREGIVER(S) OF THE WEEK**

**January 14-20**

Faye Barham  
Helen Turner

**January 21-27**

Kathryn Davis  
Guy Parker, III

**January 28-February 3**

Gail England

**LITURGIST FOR JANUARY**

Richard Joiner

**LITURGIST FOR FEBRUARY**

Rose Mary Porter

**FLOWERS FOR JANUARY**

Jennifer Stribling  
Kandy Sims

**FLOWERS FOR FEBRUARY**

Kathryn Davis  
Kathryn Sams  
Jane Claire Williams  
Jill Buckley

**USHER CAPTAIN  
FOR JANUARY**

Dawn Warrington

**USHER CAPTAIN  
FOR FEBRUARY**

Judy Rankin

**AUDIO/VIDEO FOR  
JANUARY**

Kelley Williams, Jr.

**AUDIO/VIDEO FOR  
FEBRUARY**

TBA

## **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**

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

#### **Stewpot**

**Saturday, February 3, 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 lunch when we finish.

### **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. If you would like to donate a dessert for the auction, email [JeeniferStribling@me.com](mailto:JeeniferStribling@me.com)

### **Spring Break Trip to Orange**

#### **Beach**

**March 11-14.** More details to come.

## **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.

### **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**

**Sundays at 5:00 p.m.**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Wednesday, January 17**

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, January 19**

6:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out, NCC

**Saturday, January 20**

9:00 a.m. Deacons' Retreat, GH

**Sunday, January 21**

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Northminster Essentials, L/CR

10:30 a.m. Worship/Baptism

2:00 p.m. Scott Dickison Installation and Reception

5:00 p.m. Preschool & Elementary Atrium and Four5Six, NCC

5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

**Monday, January 22**

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

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

**Tuesday, January 23**

12:00 p.m. Youth Committee, 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, L/CR

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, January 28**

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Northminster Essentials, L/CR

10:30 a.m. Worship

3:30 p.m. Guys' Scavenger Hunt

4:00 p.m. Worship and Music Cmte., L/CR

5:00 p.m. Preschool & Elementary Atrium and Four5Six, NCC

5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH

**Monday, January 29**

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

**Tuesday, January 30**

12:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn, GH

### **Brumfield House**

**January 18**

Deacon

**January 25**

Skipper Jernigan

**February 1**

Joe Sims

**February 8**

Mike Peters

### **✕ GUYS' SCAVENGER HUNT**

**January 28**

**3:30-5:00**

FIRST THROUGH SIXTH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SCAVENGER HUNT AND A SNACK ON THEIR RESPECTIVE DATES.  
WE'LL MEET AT THE NORTHMINSTER PLAYGROUND TO START THE HUNTS!

**February 4**

**3:30-5:00**

### **GIRLS' SCAVENGER HUNT ✕**

Contact Lesley at [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org) to sign up!

## **ANGEL TREE THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Angel Tree ministry this year. It was a record-breaking year in which we provided Christmas joy and necessities for 124 angels, significantly more than ever before. We helped angels from Pearl to Raymond to Mid City to Flora to Lexington and everywhere in between. The scope of the Northminster Angel Tree and your generosity should not be understated.

Thank you all.  
Megan Hitt Mayhan

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## **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 another.

*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 Lesley Ratcliff.*

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

## **WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS RESUME JANUARY 24\***

**5:30 p.m. - Great Hall**

**\*Please note this is a change of date  
from what was previously announced.**

## **YOUTH SUNDAY AND DESSERT AUCTION**

**SAVE  
-THE-  
DATE**



**FEBRUARY 11TH**

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