

NORTHMINSTER NEWS

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MS June 20, 2024



Your Children's Bible Revisited: A Summer Bible Study

Tuesdays at Noon, Beginning June 25 Lunch: sub sandwiches, cost \$10

Many of us first come to know and love the Bible through stories we learn as children. And yet many of these stories have a depth of meaning far beyond what could (or should!) be included in a children's Bible. This summer we'll gather on Tuesdays in the Great Hall over a light lunch to take a closer look at some of these beloved stories and see what good news they might have for us as adults.

June 25: Noah and the Flood

July 2: Ruth

July 9: Jonah—Eddie Mahaffey leading

July 16: Queen Esther

July 23: The Christmas Story(ies)

July 3: TBD

August 6: The Feeding of the Five Thousand

August 13: Zacchaeus



Welcome

Kedge and Tim Adams 821 Planters Point Drive Canton, MS 39046

Owen Weddle 104 Deerfield Place Brandon, MS 39042

Now. Here. This.

In her beautiful new commentary on the book of Genesis, novelist and lay theologian Marilynne Robinson notes that in the opening chapters describing creation, we are told right from the start this world of God's imagination is suited to human enjoyment — "out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight."

"This is an extremely elegant detail," she writes, "The beauty of the trees is noted before the fact that they yield food."

When we speak of the essential goodness and abundance of creation we usually think of these things in utilitarian terms: God created the world with more than enough for all living things to eat and drink and subsist.

And yet subsistence is not the goal of creation. The goal of creation is flourishing—that all life, human and otherwise—would thrive. And isn't beauty essential to abundance? Would it be possible to flourish, to thrive, without beauty?

In the yearly cycle of seasons there are times appointed for growth, for harvest, and for return. There is, without question, a beauty to be found and savored in each of these seasons. And yet it is in this current season of growth where this beautiful intention is in full bloom, so to speak.

So perhaps this can be our spiritual discipline for these next several weeks as we give ourselves over to summer and its travel, its gardens, its afternoon showers, and fireflies at dusk: to observe the beauty around us and take it not as a happy accident of creation, but an essential and necessary quality of it.

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CAREGIVING CONCERNS

CURRENT CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Northminster is saddened by the death of John Hunt, a member of Northminster since 2002. Christian Sympathy is extended to Catherine and all of John's family and friends.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Carolyn Aden Libby McGee Sue Edwards R. W. McCarley Roxanne Aldridge Carla Holt Virginia Hamilton

R.W. McCarley Tom Starling
Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

Brumfield House

June 27
Bo Allen
July 4
Jeff Wilson
July 11
Joe Sims
July 18
Deacon
July 25
Scott Wilson

Children's Worship Hour

June 23

Chapel Coordinators

Camille & Drew Snyder

Firecrackers

Amy & Matt Thames

Sparklers

Jennifer & Drew Rymer

May 2024 Finance/Stewardship Committee Report Budget Highlights

| | May 2023 YTD | May 2024 YTD | Variance |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Pledge Collections | 422,714 | 470,095 | 47,381 |
| Overpaid Pledges | 31 | 323 | 292 |
| Prior Year | | | |
| Make-Up Pledges | 1,185 | 24,725 | 23,540 |
| Non-Pledge | | | |
| Collections | 214,200 | 365,551 | 151,351 |
| Other Receipts | 13,262 | 10,005 | (3,257) |
| Total Income | *651,392 | **870,699 | 219,307 |
| Total Expenses | 627,859 | 715,170 | 87,311 |
| Excess | | | |
| Revenue/Expenses | 23,533 | 155,529 | 131,996 |

^{*}Includes \$160,911 of prepaid 2021 pledges

We have been comparing monthly year to date receipts for the present year and the six prior years. This May our income is higher than any year back to 2018 except for 2022 and only \$8000 less than that year. This is exciting news!!

THIS MONTH/WEEK IN ACTION



—DEACON OF THE WEEK—

June 16-22

Cathy Davis

June 23-29

Andy Frame

June 30-July 6

Anne Guidry

CAREGIVING -

CAREGIVING CHAIR FOR JUNE

Annette Hitt

CAREGIVING COORDINATOR FOR JUNE

Sunny Fowler

CAREGIVING CHAIR FOR JULY

Susan O'Mara

CAREGIVING COORDINATOR FOR JULY

Jean Welsh

CAREGIVER(S) OF THE WEEK

June 16-22

Sunny & David Fowler

June 23-29

Jerri Harvey

June 30-July 6

Faye Barham

LITURGISTS FOR JUNE

Shirley Sanders Foster Pam Steadman

LITURGISTS FOR JULY

Elizabeth Quinn Marty Kelly

FLOWERS FOR JUNE

Kandy Sims Kathryn Sams Becky Frame Lisa Kelly Jennifer Stribling

FLOWERS FOR JULY

Geri Smith Kathryn Davis Jane Claire Williams Lawana McLennan

USHER CAPTAIN FOR JUNE

Dawn Warrington

USHER CAPTAIN FOR JULY

Matt Kelly

AUDIO/VIDEO FOR JUNE

Ryder Taff

AUDIO/VIDEO FOR JUNE

Ryan McElveen

^{**}Includes \$361,323 of prepaid 2022 pledges

Youth News

Youth Sunday School

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

Rising 7th Grade Sunday **School**

This summer, we are doing Sunday school a bit differently for our rising 7th grade students as a way to provide a smooth transition to the Youth House. Hart Wylie will be leading, and the group will either meet separately in the Great Hall or together with other youth in the Youth House. Scott will be teaching on most of the Sundays we join the vouth. Here is the summer schedule:

June 23: Great Hall

June 30: Youth House

July 7: Great Hall

July 14: away for Passport

July 21: assist with Bible camp

July 28: Great Hall

August 4: Youth House

Mondays with Scott

We will meet downstairs by the children's department each of the Mondays below at 11:30. If you know you are coming, please let us know so we will know how many to expect. Please bring money for lunch. The dates and activities we will be doing, along with lunch, are as follows:

June 24 - Movie Inside Out 2

July 1 - Tour of the Capitol building

July 15 - Pack bags for Wider Net families

July 22 - Pool day

Pool Party

Thursday, June 27, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the home of Tal & Leah Hendrix.

Passport

The youth will travel to Passport Youth Camp at Converse University in Spartanburg, SC, July 13-19.

Cook-Out & Ice Cream Social Sunday, August 4, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

at the home of Audrey & Scott Dickison.

Children's **Birthday** Gathering

Tuesday, July 30 3:00-5:00 p.m.

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

Meals on Wheels

Monday, June 24

Cooks

Gail England Ann Calhoon Jim Blackwood

Rt. 1 Rt. 2 Keith Davis & **Troy Browning**

Monday, July 1

Amanda Milam Peggy Brady

Rt. 2 Marianna Field & Janet Holt

Drivers

TBD & Bob Hardin

Cooks

Rebecca Starling

Drivers

Rt. 1 Julie & Dudley Wooley

Summer Sunday School for Children

Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15

Meet us in room 106, where we'll divide into groups for stories, games, bible skills and crafts!

We hope your children will join us!

Children & Youth **Sunday School classes** will not meet July 7

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, June 21

4:30 p.m. Emily Kelly/Tyler Coggin Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 22

3:00 p.m. Emily Kelly/Tyler Coggin Wedding

4:00 p.m. Emily Kelly/Tyler Coggin Reception, GH

Sunday, June 23

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

10:30 a.m. Worship

6:45 p.m. D **Monday, June 24** Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

Caregiving, L/CR Meals on Wheels 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. Youth-movie-Inside Out 2,

5:30 p.m. W **Tuesday, June 25** 12:00 p.m. St Wider Net Comm., L/CR

Summer Bible Study, GH

5:15 p.m. Youth Committee, YH

Wednesday, June 26

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

Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Che Thursday, June 27

Youth pool party, away 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 30

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, July 1

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR 10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

Youth-tour of the Capitol 11:30 a.m.

Building, away

Tuesday, July 2

Summer Bible Study, GH 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 3

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



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From the Landscaping & Grounds Committee

If you have any of the following plants that you can share with Grounds & Landscaping, please contact Joe Rankin, 601-942-9356/
rankininteriors@aol.com or Robin Harvey 601-750-0464/robinharvey@icloud.com.

Aspidistra
Autumn Fern
Holly Fern
Hostas
Elephant Ear Bulbs
Farfugium

PASTORAL CARE NUMBER 601-980-1002

Northminster Birthdays July 2024

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | 1 Sims Quinn Amy Rampy | 2 Cathy Davis | 3 | 4 Lucy Boykin | 5 Megan Clapton Elijah Hardge | 6 Sue Edwards Walter Fountain Sandra Toler |
| 7 Bob Boteler Amelia Champion Colin Ridgway | 8 Troy Browning Kris Clark Jerri Harvey Sam McMullan Mary Jane Moak George Puckett | 9 Leigh Eley Kelly Hicks Ted Jackson Ann Lauman Chris Pace | 10 Natalie Davis Thatcher Jones Henry Munn Erin O'Bryen Joe Scott | 11 Cathy Baldwin Judy Clark Mary McCall McArthur Carol Taff | 12 Benjamin Buckley Chris Kimmel Ryder Marie Taff | 13 Carter Thompson |
| 14 Raeonna Carson Chris Eason John Palmer Reed Smith | 15 Patty Robbins Jeff Stancill | 16 David Benzenhafer Jeffery Massey Holly Perkins Ben Randman Marvin Vance Conner Watson | 17 J.P. Clark Elizabeth Triplett | 18 | 19 Bailey Munn John Perkins Anders Quinn Will Rumbavage Annabeth Taylor | 20 Steve Bass Shaye Smith Jean Williams |
| 21 Kevin Clayton Thomas Greener Edward Treadway | 22 Alex Goldstein Jeb Snyder Mary Herschel Thames | 23 James Hitt Mike Jones Molly Moody Walker Rippee Madyson Shields | 24 Dawn Cleveland Donette Lee Hunter Pratt Marie Wooley Stewart | 25 Madeleine Wiggs | 26 Susanna Everett | 27 Kopelyn Clark Austin McCarley Melissa Robinson |
| 28 Beth Peterson | 29 Misti Crisler Steven Fuller Amy Williams | 30 Catherine Carter Rollins Parker Paul Watson | 31 Matt Kelly Chloe Lloyd | | | |