MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Anne Guidry.

The Caregiving Chair for July is Susan O'Mara.

The Caregiving Coordinator for July is Jean Welsh.

The Caregiver of the Week is Faye Barham.

The Liturgists for July are Elizabeth Quinn and Marty Kelly.

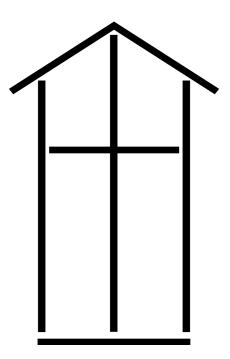
The Flowers for July are provided by Geri Smith, Kathryn Davis,

Jane Claire Williams and Lawana McLennan.

The Usher Captain for July is Matt Kelly.

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 Interim Youth Coordinator Dabbs Massey 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 Lamenais Simeon Sexton



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

"To trust God in the light is nothing, but trust God in the dark – that is faith."

—C.S. Lewis

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 2024 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. Following the service, please enjoy a time of fellowship with those around you.

The Prelude "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Miller

The Meditation of Preparation

In our death, a resurrection; At the last, a victory, Unrevealed until its season, Something God alone can see.

-- "Hymn of Promise," Natalie Sleeth

Call to Worship "The Spirit Dwells Among Us" Hopson

The Spirit dwells among us. Alleluia! Come and worship the Lord. Alleluia!

*The Processional Hymn No. 78 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

ST. ANNE

*The Litany of Praise

Annette Hitt

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Lord, my God, I called to you for help and you healed me.

People: You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth

and clothed me with joy,

Leader: That I may sing your praises and not be silent.

All: Lord, my God, I will praise you forever.

*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 Annette Hitt

The Greeting Scott Dickison

The Lessons II Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Psalm 130

This is the word of the Lord. Leader:

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Most gracious God, fill my heart with faith in your love that with calm expectancy I may make room for your grace to heal me and may thankfully accept your healing.

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Jill Buckley

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. 708 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

DENNIS

*The Offertory Prayer

Annette Hitt

The Offertory

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Owens

*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 Mark 5:21-43 Jill Buckley

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Unclouded Day" Kirchner

O they tell me of a home far beyond the skies,

They tell me of a home far away; And they tell me of a home Where no storm-clouds rise:

O they tell me of an unclouded day.

Refrain:

O the land of cloudless days,
O the land of an unclouded sky.
O they tell me of a home

Where no storm-clouds rise: O they tell me of an unclouded day. O they tell me of a home Where my friends have gone; They tell me of a land far away, Where the tree of life in eternal bloom Sheds its fragrance through the unclouded day.

Refrain:

They tell me of a King in his beauty there; They tell me that mine eyes shall behold Where He sits as the sun In the city that is made of gold!

Refrain:

The Sermon

"Who We Are In Grief"

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

"Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; Save me and I shall be saved; for thou art my praise."

—Jeremiah 17:14

*The Recessional Hymn No. 747 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

LANCASHIRE

Callahan

*The Benediction

Scott Dickison

*The Postlude "Celebration"

*The congregation will please stand.

The scriptures for today are found on the following pages in the pew Bible:

II Samuel 1:1, 17-27 ~ pages 240-241 Psalm 130 ~ page 500 Mark 5:21-43 ~ pages 816-817

Today is the Sixth 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.

The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the birth of Miller Thomas Starling.

The proud parents are Michael and Rebecca Starling.

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, June 30 8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion 9:15 a.m. Summer Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Monday, July 1 8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR 10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Tuesday, July 2 12:00 p.m. Summer Bible Study, GH Wednesday, July 3 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal Thursday, July 4 Church office is closed Sunday, July 7 10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion

Cook-Out & Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 4, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the home of Audrey & Scott Dickison

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Northminster Bible Camp Inside Out

July 19th-21st

Friday 5:30-8:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Questions? Contact Sandra Triplett, sandratriplett23@gmail.com or 601-278-3817. Forms are available in the church office, or call the office at 601-982-4703 to register.

Children & Youth Sunday School classes will not meet July 7

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.

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

July 7

Chapel Coordinators

Megan Wylie & Hart Wylie

Firecrackers

Rebecca & Brooks Vance

Sparklers

Melissa Robinson & Mike Kitchell

July 14

Firecrackers

Ceejaye & Mitch Peters

Sparklers

Olivia & Keith Studdard

The Gettysburg Address Abraham Lincoln November 19, 1863

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth, on this continent, a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived, and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting-place for those who here gave their lives, that that nation might live.

It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate—we cannot hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract.

The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here.

It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

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

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.

Northminster is saddened by the death of Sue Spitchley, a member of Northminster since 1993. Christian sympathy is extended to all of Sue's family and friends.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Ken and Sandra Toler on the death of Ken's brother, Bill Toler.

CONGRATULATIONS to Michael and Rebecca Starling on the birth of their son, Miller Thomas Starling. Miller is also welcomed by Tom and Rebecca Starling.

Shirley Geary is hospitalized at Methodist Rehab.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

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

Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles

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.

Pastoral Care Number

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

Brumfield House

July 4: Jeff Wilson July 11: Joe Sims

Meals on Wheels Monday, July 1

<u>Cooks</u> <u>Drivers</u>

Amanda Milam Rt. 1 Dudley & Julie Wooley Peggy Brady Rt. 2 Marianna Field & Beverly Raddin

Meals on Wheels is in need of one cook to work on a team that cooks on average three to four Wednesdays a year. There is one Wednesday remaining in 2024 for this team.

If you are interested, or have any questions, please call Peggy Brady at 601-201-6242.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Your Children's Bible Revisited: A Summer Bible Study

Tuesdays at Noon 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.

July 2: Ruth

July 9: Jonah—Eddie Mahaffey leading

July 16: Queen Esther

July 23: The Christmas Story(ies)

July 30: TBD

August 6: The Feeding of the Five Thousand

August 13: Zacchaeus

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 youth. Here is the summer schedule:

July 7: no Sunday School

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:

July 1 - Tour of the Capitol building

July 15 - Pack bags for Wider Net families

July 22 - Pool day

Hope to see you there!

Passport

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