

MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

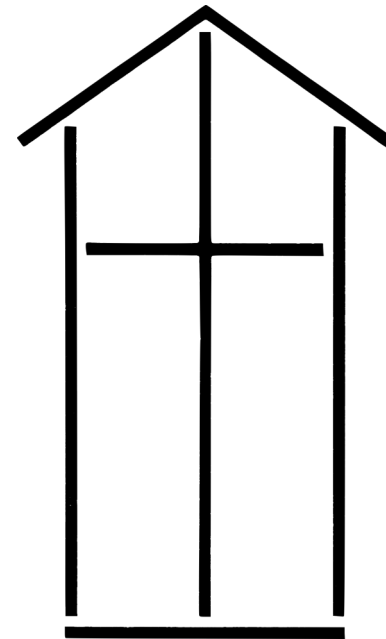
Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Will Walker.
The Caregiving Chair for August is Sunny Fowler.
The Caregiving Coordinator for August is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiver of the Week is Annette Hitt.
The Liturgist for August is Holly Wiggs.
The Flowers for August are provided by Lisa Kelly,
Lesley Mosby, Kandy Sims and Becky Frame.
The Usher Captain for August 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
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

“I believe that the Kingdom is built on the little things that all of us do. I remember my grandmother was fond of reciting:

Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand
Make the mighty ocean
And the pleasant land.

A single drop can't make even a puddle, but together, all our little drops and God's planning can make not only a mighty ocean but a mighty difference.”

—Madeleine L'Engle,
And It Was Good:
Reflections on Beginnings

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
The Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost
August 11, 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 Meditation of Preparation

“What must it be like, I wondered, to put *hearing* God ahead of being heard?”

— Barbara Brown Taylor, *Holy Envy*

The Prelude “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” Callahan

The Spoken Call to Worship Scott Dickison

*The Processional Hymn No. 70 *HYMN TO JOY*
“God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him”

*The Litany of Praise Brock Ratcliff

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: God listens.

People: Sustainer, teach us to hear what is needed.

Leader: God provides.

People: Creator, equip us to be your hands in service.

Leader: God forgives.

People: Redeemer, encourage us to be kind one to another.

Leader: God loves.

All: We are beloved children of God; let us love one another. Amen.

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, August 11

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Session with Paul Baxley, GH

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

5:30 p.m. Hymn Sing/Backpack Blessing, GH

Monday, August 12

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

Tuesday, August 13

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

Wednesday, August 14

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

10:00 a.m. Visitation for Bill Boone

11:30 a.m. Funeral for Bill Boone

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 15

3:00 p.m. Children's Birthday Gathering, GH

Sunday, August 18

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

11:30 a.m. Youth Cmte., YH

6:45 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

*The Gloria Patri

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

Brock Ratcliff

The Greeting

Scott Dickison

The Lessons

Psalm 34:1-8
Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Scott Dickison

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

“When we put off until tomorrow our response to your call, forgive us, O God. When our good intentions are not followed by good actions, have patience with us, O God. When we harden our hearts, making all kinds of excuses why we should not serve you, O God, have mercy. Today when we hear your voice, may we rise up to hear and obey, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.”

— Ruth C. Duck, *Flames of the Spirit*

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

Lesley Ratcliff

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. 563

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

*The Offertory Prayer Brock Ratcliff

The Offertory "Jesus, Lead Thou On" Manz

*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 John 6:35, 41-51 Lesley Ratcliff

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Wood
Jack Edwards, *bass*

The Sermon "Only What is Good for Building Up" Paul Baxley

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

"Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which Christ blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are Christ's body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

—Attributed to St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582)

CHILDREN'S NEWS

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's Birthday Gathering

Thursday, August 15, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

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

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

- August 11: Firecrackers—Jeffery & Dabbs Massey
Sparklers—Kyle & Kim Watson
- August 18: Firecrackers—Jay & Krysten Jernigan
Sparklers—Michael & Neely McGinnis
- August 25: Chapel Coordinators—Justin & Taylor Beard
Firecrackers—Brian & Ramsey Long
Sparklers—Rob & Sandra Triplett

————— **YOUTH NEWS** —————

Youth Sunday School

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

Youth Scavenger Hunt & Parent Meeting

Sunday, August 25, from 5:00-7:00.

Youth and parents will meet in the Great Hall to have dinner together. After dinner the youth will divide into groups to go on a video scavenger hunt. During that time, the parents will meet with Dabbs to talk about the new school year. Once the kids return, we will all join to watch the videos from the scavenger hunt and award a winner.

Follow the Youth Instagram @nbcyouth1

Parent and Youth GroupMe

All youth and parents should be on the GroupMe to receive communication about upcoming events. If you are not on the GroupMe, please email Dabbs to be added. This is our main source of communication for the youth group. Dabbs' email is dabbs@northminsterbaptist.org.

*The Recessional Hymn No. 634

CWM RHONDDA

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

*The Benediction

Scott Dickison

*The Postlude

“Toccata in Seven”

Rutter

**The congregation will please stand.*

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

Psalm 34:1-8, page 441
Ephesians 4:25-5:2, page 951
Mark 6:35, 41-51, page 868


Today is the Twelfth Sunday of 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.

Today our guest in the pulpit is Paul Baxley. Paul has served as the Executive Coordinator of CBF since 2019. A native of Winston-Salem, N.C., Paul has held pastorates and ministry positions in Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia; and is a former member of the CBF Governing Board. He is married to Jennifer, a physical therapist, and they have four children.

————— 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 Bill Boone, a member of Northminster since 1968. Christian sympathy is extended to Suzanne, to Doug, Crisler, Will and Sam Boone, to Stewart, Elizabeth, Jonathan and Thomas Boone and to Elizabeth, Kip and Ben Bowen.

Christian sympathy is extended to Jill, Paul and Benjamin Buckley on the death of Jill's father, Toxey Barnes.

Christian sympathy is extended to Lee and Charles Parrott on the death of Lee's sister, Ellen Weems.

Kathy Miller is receiving physical therapy at Methodist Rehab.

Connie Kossen is receiving physical therapy at Methodist Rehab.

Pauline Cochran is hospitalized at UMMC.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

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

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

August 15: Eddie Mahaffey
August 22: Bryan Bridges
August 29: TBD

Meals on Wheels

Wednesday, August 21

Cooks:	Rt. 1 Drivers:
Kathryn Davis	Suzan & Tommy Thames
Jan Stewart	Rt. 2 Drivers:
Amy Moremen	Beverly Raddin & Taylor Pedigo

————— ANNOUNCEMENTS —————

Hymn Sing, Backpack Blessing & Ice Cream Social

Tonight, at 5:30 p.m.

Come join us for a wonderful time of fellowship for all ages!

**Your Children's Bible Revisited:
A Summer Bible Study**

Final Session this Tuesday.

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.

August 13: Zacchaeus