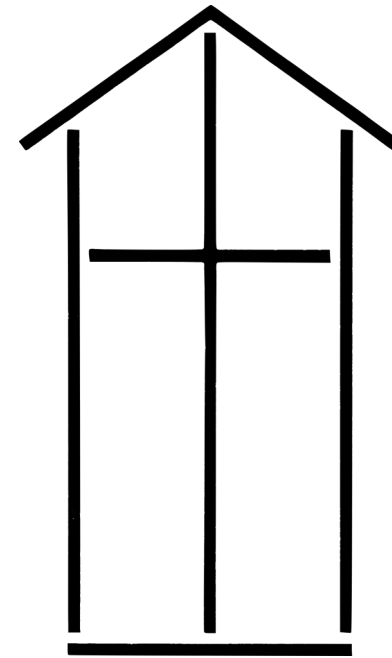


MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Cathy Davis.
The Caregiving Chair for October is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiving Coordinator for October is Steve Godbold.
The Caregiver of the Week is Sara Hays.
The Liturgist for October is Monica Daniels.
The flowers for October are provided by Jennifer Stribling,
Kandy Sims, Jane Claire Williams and Lisa Kelly.
The Usher Captain for October is Eddie Mahaffey.

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
Sexton	Lamenais Simeon



THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We are the grain of wheat dying in the earth; can we repine at such a destiny? But we are full of confidence and wholly animated with courage to persevere, hoping that someday our work will bear fruit. It matters little whether we taste of it in this life, provided only that we serve God's cause.

—Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 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

By faith, Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out...and he set out, not knowing where he was going.

—Hebrews 11:8

The Prelude “This Is My Father’s World” Pethel

The Call to Worship “I Was Glad” Coker

I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Alleluia! Amen

*The Processional Hymn No. 317 *OLD HUNDREDTH*

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

*The Litany of Praise Bailey Blount

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: O Lord my God, you are very great,

People: You who laid the foundations of the earth.

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

**All: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
 May the Lord rejoice in his works.**

*The Gloria Patri *MEINEKE*

**Glorify 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 CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, October 20

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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

5:00 p.m. Atrium, Four5Six

5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH

6:45 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting, L/CR

Monday, October 21

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

Tuesday, October 22

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

Wednesday, October 23

7:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study, L/CR

5:30 p.m. Fall Festival

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 27

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

5:00 p.m. Atrium, Four5Six

5:30 p.m. Youth, YH

5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH

*The Prayer of Invocation Bailey Blount

The Greeting Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons Psalm 91:9-16 Lesley Ratcliff
Hebrews 5:1-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end... and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does, in fact, please you, and I hope that I have that desire in all that I am doing....

—Excerpt from a prayer by Thomas Merton

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon Scott Dickison

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer Scott Dickison

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 *CROSS-FORMED LIFE*

“Shape Us, O Christ, to Live and Claim”
(see insert)

*The Offertory Prayer Bailey Blount

The Offertory Coker

Chorale Prelude on “The Cross-Formed Life”

*The Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

————— **CHILDREN'S NEWS** —————

**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!**

Preschool Atrium, Elementary Atrium and Four5Six

Tonight at 5:00 p.m.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel Mark 10:35-45 Lesley Ratcliff

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

The Anthem “Lord Jesus, Gentle Savior” Pelz

Lord Jesus gentle Savior, my Shepherd, guardian Friend,
Oh take the hand I offer and lead me till the end.
Without Thee I would falter, without Thee I would stray.
Oh take my hand, I pray Thee, and lead me all the way.

I have no strength, O Savior, be Thou my strength I pray.
Alone my footsteps wander, be Thou my strength I pray.
No friend I have beside Thee; to whom, Lord, shall, I go?
Thou has the words eternal to guide my steps below.

Thou art my only Savior my Master and my King.
Accept the heart I offer; accept the praise I bring,
Until I reach the portal of Thy best fold above,
And join with choirs immortal to sing Thy wondrous love.
Amen.

The Sermon “Can You Drink the Cup?” 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.

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

- October 20: Chapel Coordinators—Camille & Drew Snyder
Firecrackers—Lida & Gregg Caraway
Sparklers—Jennifer & Drew Rymer
- October 27: Firecrackers—Krysten & Jay Jernigan
Sparklers—Morgan & Aaron Samuels
- November 3: Chapel Coordinators—Megan Wylie & Hart Wylie
Firecrackers—Rebecca & Brooks Vance
Sparklers—Melissa Robinson & Mike Kitchell

Children's Birthday Gathering

Thursday, November 7, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Children whose birthdays are in November are invited to stop by the Great Hall to enjoy an ice cream treat with Lesley.

Parents' Night Out

Friday, November 8, 6:00-10:00 p.m.

You can make a reservation for your children (infant—sixth grade) by calling the church office, 601-982-4703, by Wednesday, November 6. Please remember to feed your children before they arrive, or provide a brown-bag supper. We will also have Parents' Night Out on December 13.

Children's Retreat

Children in third through sixth grade are invited to our annual Fall Retreat. This year we will be exploring the theme “Our Time Is Sacred,” and highlighting the life of Jesus through the colors of the liturgical calendar. We'll play games, have Bible study, do a ropes course, and have a bonfire. We will leave at 8:00 a.m. on November 16 and return in time for worship at Northminster on November 17.

Passport Kids

June 16-20 in Berea, KY at Berea College. More info to follow.

All Saints' Sunday

November 3

A printed list of names of loved ones who have preceded us into God's nearer presence will be part of our worship on All Saints' Sunday. Names may be submitted by e-mail to Neely Grimsley at neely@northminsterbaptist.org or by printing them on the form provided in your Sunday worship bulletin, which may be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office. Forms will also be available in the church office. Please add any notes on pronunciation that may be helpful. **All names must be submitted by Monday, October 21.**

On the evening of November 3, we will meet in the sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. for an All Saints' Vesper Service, at which time the names will be read aloud.

Northminster Women's Retreat

Friday, January 24—Sunday, January 26

Eagle Ridge Conference Center—Raymond, MS

———— YOUTH NEWS ————

Youth Sunday School

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

Youth Fall Retreat

The youth will be going on our Fall Retreat at Twin Lakes the weekend of November 15-17. Kelsey Stillwell will be leading the retreat, and we are very excited about what she has to offer. Kelsey is a writer, retreat leader, and former Associate Pastor for Youth and Missions at First Baptist Church of Christ in Macon, Georgia.

Save the Dates

Youth Passport 2025 will be June 21-27 at Converse University in Spartanburg, SC. Rising seventh graders can choose to attend Youth Passport or Passport Kids.

Spring Break trip to Fort Morgan, AL, March 8-12

TIME OF RESPONSE

...to be with people who submerge
in the task, who go into the fields to harvest...
Who...move in a common rhythm
when the food must come in or the fire be put out.
The work of the world is common as mud.
Botched, it smears the hands, crumbles to dust.
But the thing worth doing well done
Has a shape that satisfies....

—“To Be of Use,” Marge Piercy

*The Recessional Hymn No. 578 *BEACH SPRING*

“Come, All Christians, Be Committed”

*The Benediction Scott Dickison

*The Postlude “Let the Earth Rejoice!” Wood

**The congregation will please stand.*

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

Psalm 91:9-16, pages 477-478

Hebrews 5:1-10, page 973

Mark 10:35-45, page 823

Today is the Twenty-second 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.

————— 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

Kathy Miller is hospitalized at The Madison Health and Rehab.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

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

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

October 24:	TBD
October 31:	TBD
November 7:	Kirk Sims
November 14:	Mitch Peters

Meals on Wheels

Monday, October 28

Cooks:	Rt. 1 Drivers:
Cathy Davis	Susan & Charles O'Mara
Polly Watkins	Rt. 2 Drivers:
Jean Welsh	Hilda & Bob Boteler

————— ANNOUNCEMENTS —————

Lunch & Learn with Rick Cleveland

Tuesday, October 22
12:00 p.m. in the Great Hall
Cost: \$10.00

Everyone is invited to join us for a delicious meal and to learn from Rick, a sports columnist for *Mississippi Today*.

If you have any questions, please contact Lesley at lesley@northminsterbaptist.org or 601-982-4703.

Fall Festival

Wednesday, October 23, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Giant Slide, Games, Cookout, Candy Bar Walk & Pumpkin Painting

Costume Parade at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join us in the "backyard" of the church for a fun evening of festivities. Dinner will be provided and served on the back porch of the youth house at no charge.

Rain will cancel. Non-scary costumes are preferred.

COME JOIN THE FUN!

Adult Studies

5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

What It Means to Be Human: Studies in Genesis

Today and October 27

Few books in the Bible have captured the imagination of readers through the generations like the Book of Genesis. Placed at the beginning of scripture, it tells a story of creation that echoes out through all that is to come. Scott is leading us in taking a closer look at the opening eleven chapters of Genesis, which we often take to be the story of creation and humanity's beginnings. Yet we are considering how these founding stories aim to tell us not simply from where we have come, but who we are in the present.