

MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

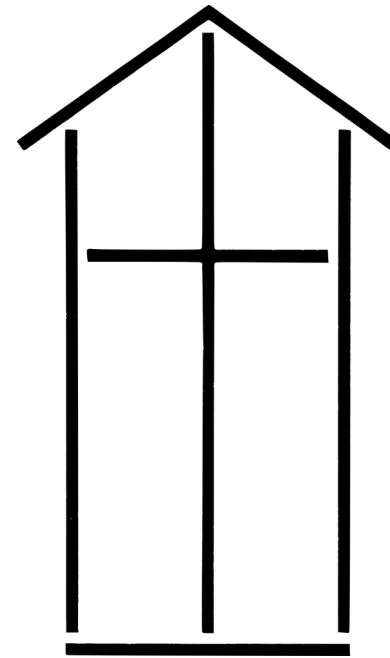
Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Andy Frame.
The Caregiving Chair for October is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiving Coordinator for October is Steve Godbold.
The Caregiving Chair for November is Sarah Reynolds.
The Caregiving Coordinator for November is Gail England.
The Caregiver of the Week is Sunny Fowler.
The Liturgist for October is Monica Daniels.
The Liturgists for November are Amy Finkelberg and Anne Brawley.
The flowers for October are provided by Jennifer Stribling, Kandy Sims, Jane Claire Williams and Lisa Kelly.
The flowers for November are provided by Jill Buckley, Kandy Sims, Jane Claire Williams and Geri Smith.
The Usher Captain for October is Eddie Mahaffey.
The Usher Captain for November 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
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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Blind man sat by the road and he cried.
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Oh, oh, oh.

Show me the Way.

Show me the Truth.

Show me the Life.

The way to go home.

Woman sat by the well and she cried.

Zacchaeus sat in the tree and he cried.

We all sit by the road and we cry. Show us the Way.

Jesus hung on the cross and he cried. I am the Way.

—“Blind Man,” African-American Spiritual

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THE ACT OF WORSHIP
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
October 27, 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

So when you're afraid you've missed him. When you're sitting in your darkness and blindness, terrorized by the fear that God has come and gone and you didn't recognize him, take heart! Be encouraged! He's calling to you. He's calling to you in a way you can hear. And you can do as Bartimaeus did—you can jump up and run to him.

—Marlo Schalesky

The Prelude "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" Page

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. 45 *NETTLETON*

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*The Litany of Praise Rebecca Wiggs

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We will bless the Lord at all times.

People: Praise shall continually be in our mouths.

Leader: Our souls shall make their boast in the Lord.

All: O, magnify the Lord with us, and let us exalt the Lord's name together.

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

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

5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

5:30 p.m. Adult Studies, GH

Monday, October 28

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

10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

5:30 p.m. Wider Net Cmte., L/CR

Wednesday, October 30

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

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 1

7:00 p.m. AGO Organ Recital

Sunday, November 3

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion

5:00 p.m. Atrium, Four5Six

5:00 p.m. Dogwood Tree Planting

5:30 p.m. Youth, YH

5:30 p.m. All Saints' Vesper Service

*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

Rebecca Wiggs

The Greeting

Lesley Ratcliff

The Lessons

Psalm 34:1-8
Jeremiah 31:7-9

Lesley Ratcliff

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

I have wandered from my home.
My lips are dry, my feet are worn.
My eyes are blinded by the dust clouds in the road.
But I'm looking for the day
When the rain will come and pour.
My hope is in the Bounty of the Lord.

—Claire Holley
“In the Bounty of the Lord”

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 trespass-
es, 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. 552

OLIVET

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

*The Offertory Prayer Rebecca Wiggs

The Offertory "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" 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 Mark 10:46-52 Scott Dickison

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" Costello

We walk by faith and not by sight;
With gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:
"My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side,
Nor follow where you trod;
But in your promise we rejoice,
And cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
And may our faith abound
To call on you when you are near,
And seek where you are found.

That, when our life of faith is done,
In realms of clearer light
We may behold you as you are,
With full and endless sight.

The Sermon "Let Me See Again" 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 sis-

CHILDREN'S NEWS

Preschool Atrium, Elementary Atrium and Four5Six

Tonight at 5:00 p.m.

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

- October 27: Firecrackers & Sparklers—Krysten & Jay Jernigan
November 3: Chapel Coordinators—Megan Wylie & Hart Wylie
Firecrackers—Rebecca & Brooks Vance
Sparklers—Melissa Robinson & Mike Kitchell
November 10: Firecrackers—Ceejaye & Mitch Peters
Sparklers—Lorraine & Smith Boykin

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 at Berea College in Berea, KY. 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.

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 that have been submitted by the congregation will be read aloud.

We will have our annual dogwood planting ceremony at 5:00 p.m. in the memorial garden at the north end of the campus.

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.

Sunday Nights at the Youth House

We will meet at 5:00 tonight for dinner, games, fellowship and a lesson.

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

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

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.

ter 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

When I consider how my light is spent,
Ere half my days, in this dark world and wide,
And that one Talent which is death to hide
Lodged with me useless, though my Soul more bent
To serve therewith my Maker, and present
My true account, lest he returning chide;
“Doth God exact day-labour, light denied?”
I fondly ask. But patience, to prevent
That murmur, soon replies, “God doth not need
Either man's work or his own gifts; who best
Bear his mild yoke, they serve him best. His state
Is Kingly. Thousands at his bidding speed
And post o'er Land and Ocean without rest:
They also serve who only stand and wait.”

—John Milton, “Sonnet 19”

*The Recessional Hymn No. 692

ST. CATHERINE

“Faith of Our Fathers”

*The Benediction

Scott Dickison

*The Postlude “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Burkhardt

**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
Jeremiah 31:7-9, page 641
Mark 10:46-52, page 823

The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the birth of John Gray Samson, Jr. The proud parents are Mary Hastings Garraway and Gray Samson.

Today is the Twenty-third 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

Christian sympathy is extended to Ginger and Buddy Parham on the death of Ginger's brother in law, Buddy Vance.

Congratulations to Mary Hastings Garraway and Gray Samson on the birth of their son, John Gray Samson, Jr. John Gray is also welcomed by Eliza and Rick Garraway, Katie Love Owen, West Garraway and Mary Eliza McMillan.

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 31:	TBD
November 7:	Kirk Sims
November 14:	Mitch Peters
November 21:	Holly Wiggs

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** —————

Adult Studies

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

What It Means to Be Human: Studies in Genesis

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.

Wednesday Night Supper

Wednesday, October 30
5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

Cost: \$5 per child, \$10 per adult, \$25 per family

Menu: fall green salad, fried chicken, squash casserole, rice consommé, yeast rolls and corn bread, assorted desserts and iced tea

Servers: Hilda Boteler, Beth Hood,
Amy Moremen and Dawn Perkins

Cashier: George Luter