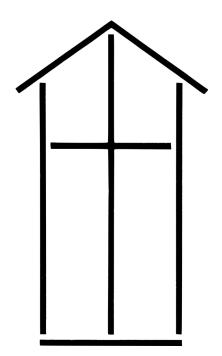
MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Cheryl Allen.
The Caregiving Chair for November is Sarah Reynolds.
The Caregiving Coordinator for November is Gail England.
The Caregiver of the Week is Leigh Eley.
The Liturgists for November are Amy Finkelberg and Anne Brawley.
The flowers for November are provided by Jill Buckley, Kandy Sims, Jane Claire Williams and Geri Smith.
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	Coott Distringer
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

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

And when great souls die, after a period peace blooms, slowly and always irregularly. Spaces fill with a kind of soothing electric vibration. Our senses, restored, never to be the same, whisper to us. They existed. We can be. Be and be better. For they existed.

—Maya Angelou, from "Ailey, Baldwin, Floyd, Killens, and Mayfield"

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH 3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211 **THE ACT OF WORSHIP All Saints Sunday** November 3, 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

With thankful hearts we remember before Thee all thy saints who have entered into rest, especially those with whom we have had communion here, and whom Thou has called to the closer communion that awaits the faithful within the veil.... Keep us united with them in one fellowship of the spirit, and at the last gather us together with them into the joy of thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

> —Book of Common Order, Church of Scotland, in *The Oxford Book of Prayer*

The Prelude	"Sh	all We Gather at the River"	Tucker
The Call to W	orship	"I Was Glad"	Coker
	C	they said unto me: Let us go d. Alleluia! Amen.	o into the
*The Processi	onal Hymr	n No. 751	SINE NOMINE
		"For All the Saints"	
*The Litany o	f Praise		Holly Wiggs
Leader:	The Lord be with you.		
People:	And als	o with you.	
Leader:	For all the saints who went before us, who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire,		
People:	we prai	se you, O God.	
Leader:	der: For all the saints who live beside us, whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own,		

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, November 3

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9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion
11:30 a.m. Adult Ministries Cmte., L/CR
5:00 p.m. Atrium, SN 456
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH
5:00 p.m. All Saints' Tree Planting
5:30 p.m. All Saints' Vesper Service
Monday, November 4
8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels
Wednesday, November 6
7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, November 7
3:00 p.m. Children's Birthday Gathering, GH
Friday, November 8
6:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out
Sunday, November 10
8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting
11:30 a.m. Children's Ministries Cmte., NCC
3:00 p.m. Worship & Music Cmte., L/CR
5:00 p.m. Atrium, Four5Six
5:00 p.m. Youth, YH

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People:	we praise you, O	God.	
Leader:	For all the saints who live beyond us, who challenge us to change the world with them,		
All:	we praise you, O God.		
		—Janet Morley, ada in Soul Weavings of Women's Pray	A Gathering
*The Gloria P	atri		MEINEKE
as it was i		o the Son, and to the now, and ever shall b men.	
*The Prayer o	f Invocation		Holly Wiggs
The Greeting			Scott Dickison

IN MEMORIAM From Last All Saints' Day to This

Jack Thomas Root Vivian Steen Thompson Jacqueline Hughes Meena Harold Hoover Caver Roger Allen Paynter, Jr. Robbie Bratcher Cross Michael Allen Grantham Linda Sims Mary Lou Jernigan John Dolman Hunt Sue Spitchley Ronnie Margaret McGinnis Jo Ann Ratliff William Roy Boone Patsy Bond Caraway Edwin Lloyd Pittman

The Lessons

Isaiah 25:6-9 Revelation 21:1-6a Scott Dickison

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

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ, you came from heaven to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin—we hurt and disgrace ourselves; we abuse and destroy one another; we dishonor your holy name. Forgive us; unbind us and let us go, so that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

> --Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Year B, adapted

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. 687

HANSON PLACE

"Shall We Gather at the River?"

*The Offertory Prayer

Holly Wiggs

The Offertory "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place" Callahan

*The Doxology

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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!

- CHILDREN'S NEWS ------

Preschool Atrium, Elementary Atrium and Four5Six

Tonight at 5:00 p.m.

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

- November 3: Chapel Coordinators—Megan Wylie & Hart Wylie Firecrackers—TBD Sparklers—Melissa Robinson & Mike Kitchell
- November 10: Firecrackers—Ceejaye & Mitch Peters Sparklers—Lorraine & Smith Boykin
- November 17: Firecrackers—Elizabeth & Percy Quinn Sparklers—Sophia & Rachel Royston

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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Gospel	John 11:32-44	Lesley Ratcliff
	This is the Gospel of the Lord. Fhanks be to God.	
The Anthem	"No Night There" Bonnie Brown, <i>violin</i>	Forrest
Ther	is with us; God is for us; do not be afraid e shall be no night there, no crying there shall wipe away ev'ry tear from their ey	,
I wil	n in the valley of the shadow of death, Go l fear no evil; God is for us. am with you always, even to the end.	od is with us.
	not be afraid, God is with us, God is for u night there.	s.
THE	E CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMM	IUNION
The Call to the	e Table	Scott Dickison
The Communi	on Litany	
Pastor:	On the night he was handed over to su our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and thanks, he broke it and gave it to his "Take, eat. This is my body, which is this in remembrance of me."	when he had given disciples and said,
People:	Thanks be to God for the broken bro	ead.
Pastor:	After supper, he took the cup of wine given thanks, he gave it to them and sa of you. This is my blood of the new of shed for you for the forgiveness of si drink it, do this in remembrance of me	hid, "Drink this, all covenant, which is ns. Whenever you
People:	Thanks be to God for the cup.	
Pastor:	Thanks be to God for the life, death, a our Lord Jesus.	and resurrection of
All:	Thanks be to God for the table of co	mmunion.

The Communion Anthem

"There's a Spirit in the Air" Marlow Ratcliff and Mary Alden Ratcliff, *trebles*

> There's a spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere: "Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world."

When believers break the bread, when a hungry child is fed; Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world.

There's a Spirit in the air, calling people everywhere: Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world.

The Bread—Worshipers will come forward by the center aisle, receive the bread, and return to the pews by the outside aisle. Anyone preferring to receive a blessing should simply cross their arms over their chest as if in prayer, and the deacon will offer a blessing. A gluten-free option is available at the communion table.

The Cup—Worshipers will be served the cup seated in the pews. Once all have been served, we will drink the cup together.

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

By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest, your holy name, O Jesus, forevermore be blessed! For those passed on before us, we sing our praise anew and, walking in their footsteps, would live our lives for you.

-Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal

— 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.

Northminster's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner & Communion Service

Wednesday, November 20 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

Bring your favorite side dish, salad or dessert to serve your family plus one more. Meat and drinks will be provided.

Please bring serving utensils and label your dishes and serving pieces. The meal will be followed by a Thanksgiving Communion service.

> We will also be collecting money for our annual Boarding Homes Project.

Volunteers: Hilda Boteler, Kathy Burkhalter, Sara Cox, Gloria Montgomery, Joe & Judy Rankin, Sam Sanders and George Williams

Northminster Women's Retreat

Friday, January 24—Sunday, January 26 Eagle Ridge Conference Center—Raymond, MS

*The Recessional Hymn No. 749	HANOVER
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"Rejoice in God's Saints"

Scott Dickison

The Postlude "All My Hope on God Is Founded" Burkhardt

*The congregation will please stand.

*The Benediction

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

Isaiah 25:6-9, page 568 Revelation 21:1-6a, pages 1007-1008 John 11:32-44, page 874

Today is All Saints' Sunday. The liturgical color is white, a symbol of Resurrection.

— 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

November 7:Kirk SimsNovember 14:Mitch PetersNovember 21:Holly WiggsNovember 28:Mike Peters

Meals on Wheels

Monday, November 4

Cooks: R Polly Bourne Jim Blackwood R Lisa Cobb

Rt. 1 Drivers: Jean & Kelley Williams Rt. 2 Drivers Cathy & Jeff Davis

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 10 immediately following the worship service

Agenda

 Report from Search Committee for Associate Pastor for Community Ministries
 Report from Building Maintenance Committee
 Adoption of the 2025 Budget
 Report from Deacons

Adult Studies

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

Rising Hope: A Together for Hope Documentary November 10 and 17

"In this cinematic portrait of the forgotten Mississippi Delta, a coalition region of Together for Hope, the cinematographers follow the inspirational individuals who, despite challenging personal hardships, are determined to keep hope alive in their communities and turn the tables on the degrading narrative of rural poverty."

We'll watch the documentary across two nights of Adult Studies and conclude our viewing on November 17 with a discussion led by Jason Coker, President of Together for Hope.

Wednesday Night Supper

Wednesday, November 6 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall Cost: \$5 per child, \$10 per adult, \$25 per family

Servers: Sara Cox, Mary Heard, Beth Hood, Joe and Judy Rankin Cashier: George Luter

– ANNOUNCEMENTS ———