

**MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH**  
**Every member a minister**

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.

Pastor  
 Associate Pastor for Children and Adults  
 Associate Pastor for Students  
 Minister of Music  
 Organist  
 Organist Emeritus  
 Pastors' Secretary/Administrative Assistant  
 Financial Secretary  
 Receptionist/Secretary  
 Sexton  
 Wider Net Ministry Coordinator

Charles Poole  
 Lesley Ratcliff  
 Major Treadway  
 Tim Coker  
 Sheila Hess  
 Billy Trotter  
 Leslie Ward  
 Sam South  
 Jan Wilson/Neely Grimsley  
 Laménais Simeon  
 Rosaline McCoy

**THE CHURCH IN SERVICE**

**Sunday, May 15**

9:15 a.m. Mentor Program Practice, Sanctuary  
 9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
 11:30 a.m. Mentor Luncheon, GH  
 6:45 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, L/CR

**Monday, May 16**

7:00 a.m. Men on First and Third, GH  
 8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR

**Tuesday, May 17**

11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Adult Ed. Bldg.,  
 Zoom  
 4:30 p.m. Cancer Support, Courtyard

**Wednesday, May 18**

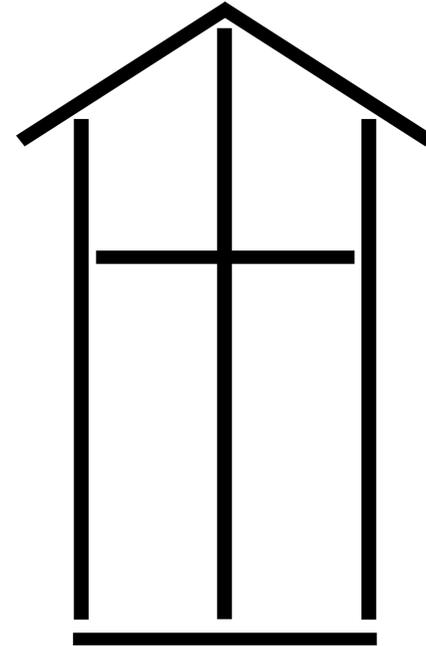
7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, L/CR  
 9:00 a.m. Enneagram, Adult Ed. Bldg.  
 10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels  
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, May 20**

12:00 p.m. Sacred Ground, Zoom

**Sunday, May 22**

9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Deacon Ordination



**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

"If then God gave them the same gift that God gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?"

-Acts 11:17

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**THE ACT OF WORSHIP**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Eastertide**  
 May 15, 2022  
 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.

The Meditation of Preparation

“The longer we walk in the Spirit, the wider we draw our circle of welcome; the arc of our spiritual journey matching the trajectory of the Bible’s spiritual journey, from fear casting out love, to love casting out fear until the size of the circumference of the circle of our welcome measures the same as the size of the circumference of the circle of the welcome of God.”

-Charles E. Poole

The Prelude “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him” Paige

The Call to Worship “O Christ, Redeemer, Risen Lord” Wye

*O Christ, Redeemer, risen Lord! The world rejoices with one accord.  
 Alleluia!*

\*The Procession of the Easter Banner Kate Samuels

\*The Processional Hymn No. 95 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
 bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;  
 bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race, ye ransomed from the fall,  
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;  
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget the wormwood and the fall,  
 go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all;  
 go, spread your trophies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
 to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;  
 to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
 We’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;  
 we’ll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

\*The Litany of Praise Charlotte Poole

Leader: The Lord be with you;

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: God, it is good to be in this room with this family of faith.

**People: Thank you, Lord.**

Leader: God, give us peace in this hour and clear direction for the coming days.

**People: Thank you, Lord.**

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*The Gloria Patri No. 807 “Glory Be to the Father” MEINEKE



**EVERY  
KIND OF BIRD**

ALL ARE WELCOME IN GOD'S TREE

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**NORTHMINSTER BIBLE CAMP 2022**

**JULY 22 – 24, 2022**

*Friday 5:30pm-8pm*

*Saturday 9am-12pm*

*Sunday 9am-11:30am*

You can register online at <https://forms.gle/ixTAtcbPhLVpHRyG9>  
 Please contact Neely McGinnis with any questions or to volunteer.  
[neelylauderdale@gmail.com](mailto:neelylauderdale@gmail.com) or 769.257.8077

**CHILDREN’S WORSHIP  
 VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE**

**May 22**

**Chapel Coordinators**

Lesley & Brock Ratcliff

**Firecrackers**

Dabbs & Jeffery Massey

**Sparklers**

Barrie & Eddie Mahaffey

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**Brumfield House**

**May 19**

Andy Frame

**May 26**

Scott Wilson

**June 2**

Mike Peters

**June 9**

Jeff Wilson

**June 16**

Eddie Mahaffey

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**SPLASH DAY**

**Monday, June 6 ~ 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.**

Children and their families will gather in the backyard at Northminster for water slides, splash pools and sprinkler fun! You bring your swimsuit, towels and sunscreen and we’ll provide a snack supper.

**STUDENT NEWS:**

**Youth Sunday School:** Sunday mornings at 9:15ish in the Youth House.

There will be donuts and good conversation.

**Mystery Trip: June 9-14.** Five days of a mysteriously good time. Minimal details forthcoming. Embrace the Mystery! The deadline to sign up has passed. If you meant to sign-up, contact Major as soon as possible.

**Passport: July 10-16.** Summer camp in Berea, KY. A week filled with games, songs, small groups, prayer, volleyball, and energizers. The deadline to sign up has passed. If you meant to sign-up, contact Major as soon as possible. Cost: \$425. (Cost should never be a barrier to participation. If you feel like it is, please talk with Major.)



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY GRADUATES**

- Madeleine Wiggs      B.A. in Art History and English, Furman University, Magna Cum Laude
- Shelby Wilson      M.B.A., Millsaps College Else School of Management
- Olivia Smith      B.M. in Music Therapy, Mississippi University for Women

*We are seeking the names of those who are graduating this year from college, graduate school, law school, medical school, etc. Please call the church office, 601-982-4703, with degree and school information.*



**Bibles for Rising Seventh Graders**

As our seniors leave, our rising seventh graders become part of the Youth Group. The tradition has been to have members of the congregation honor each new Youth Group member with a Bible to use throughout their years at Northminster. The Bibles cost \$30 each. If you are interested in honoring one of these new members of our Youth Group with a Bible, please contact the church office (601-982-4703).

***This year's new Youth Group members:***

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|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Mary Laurel Boykin | Blaine Bridges       | Parkes Denton   |
| Watts Everett      | Carol Ann Hudson     | Kirkland Hudson |
| Mary Fowler Hudson | Anna Mitchell Peters | Charlotte Poole |
| Josie Sones        | Celia Stribling      | Slates Veazey   |
| Elise Williams     |                      |                 |



**Women's Bible Study**

**The Psalms**

*Facilitated by Cecelia Stearman and taught by Diann Arinder*

**Tuesdays through May 24**

Coffee, 10:45 a.m., Bible Study, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Adult Education Building

Also available on Zoom

To sign up, please call the church office at 601-982-4703 or email [lesley@northminsterbaptist.org](mailto:lesley@northminsterbaptist.org).



**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**Wednesday, May 18**

**Cooks**

- Shari Culver
- Jo Ann Welch
- Carolyn McIntyre

**Drivers:**

- Rt. 1 Susan & Charles O'Mara
- Rt. 2 Carol Taff & Rob Hill

\*The Prayer of Invocation

Celia Stribling

The Greeting

Slates Veazey

The Lessons

Anna Mitchell Peters  
Elise Williams

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**The Celebration of the Mentor Program**

**The Litany of Blessing**

Lesley Ratcliff

Pastor: The young people before us today are at a turning point in their lives. They are leaving the path of childhood and entering the path of young adulthood.

**Sixth graders:** *We are ready for the journey.*

**Congregation:** **Your family of faith will be with you every step of the way. Though we cannot all be present with you today, we will be faithful witnesses to your journey, and seek to encourage and support you. May our presence on your journey remind you of God's love for you and God's call upon your lives.**

**Sixth graders:** *We will remember and be true to God's love and calling.*

**Congregation:** **May God continue to bless your journey as you seek God's path. May God grant us all the grace, vision, and strength to walk in the light of Christ's love.**

*Amen*

**CONFESION AND ASSURANCE**

The Meditation of Confession

We forget, or never really knew,  
that all you touch is holy,  
and that you created all that is.

So when we exclude, we exclude you.  
When we hold grudges, we hate you.  
When we show contempt,  
we are contemptuous of those you love.

May we be made holy in truth,  
loving as you love, clean and unclean alike.

-Doug Hagler

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lesley Ratcliff

**INTERCESSION AND DEDICATION**

The Offertory Hymn No. 309 “Wonderful Words of Life” *WORDS OF LIFE*

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;  
let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life.  
Words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty:

**Refrain:**

*Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*

Christ, the blessed One, gives to all wonderful words of life;  
sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life.  
All so freely given, wooing us the heaven:

**Refrain:**

Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life.  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever:

**Refrain:**

\*The Offertory Prayer Mary Laurel Boykin

The Offertory “This Joyful Eastertide” Burkhardt

\*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 13:31-35 Blaine Bridges

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Anthem “Praise Ye the Lord” Rutter

Praise ye the Lord.  
Praise God in his holiness:  
praise him in the firmament of his power.  
Praise him in his notable acts:  
praise him according to his excellent greatness.  
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:  
praise him upon the lute and harp.  
Praise him in the cymbals and dances:  
praise him upon the strings and pipe.  
Praise him upon the loud cymbals.  
Let everything that hath breath: praise the Lord.

The Sermon “Who Are We to Hinder God?” Charles Poole

**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 to you an invitation to membership by your 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 express this desire by coming forward at this point of the service.

**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:**

Carla Holt is recovering after surgery.

David Raddin is recovering after surgery.

**ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS:**

Emily Smith	Sue Edwards	Robyn Chunn
Roxanne Aldridge	R.W. McCarley	Virginia Hamilton
Libby McGee	Jack Cochran	Robbie Cross
Vivian Thompson	Gorman Schaffer	
Martha Quarles, mother of Lori Quarles		

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today is the Fifth Sunday of Eastertide.** Our Easter banner, overlaying the Lenten banner, is used to celebrate the Easter season and signify the triumph of Christ’s resurrection and power over death. It is used during Eastertide, the six Sundays following Easter.

The banner bears in gold-colored silk the essential symbol of Christianity, the cross, in its rays of glory, appropriate to the Easter season. Formerly a symbol of shame, the cross has been transformed into the ultimate symbol of hope and salvation for all humankind. The seasonal color for Easter is white, and the background color of the banner can be interpreted as white fractured into many of pure white’s components. The banner’s pale colors represent the purity and divinity of Christ. In the background are the rays of glory of the cross. The rays leading from the cross remind us of a power that rises above defeat, a power that radiates forth affecting the lives it touches. Symbolically, the entire banner overlaps a banner of purple, the color for Lent. This juxtaposition reminds us of the historical connection of the two seasons: Lent and Easter, but leaves no doubt as to the successor.

The banner was designed and made by a Northminster member.



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.

The Deacon of the Week is Carrie Blount.

The Caregiving Chair for May is Faye Barham.

The Caregiving Coordinator for May is Sheila Nicholas.

The Caregivers of the Week are Sunny Fowler and Sheila Nicholas.

The Liturgist for May is Rush Miller.

The Flowers for May are provided by Kandy Sims, Sylvia Carraway, Kathryn Davis, and Kathryn Sams.

The Usher Captain for May is Matt Kelly.



**Save the Date**

**Retirement Celebration Honoring Marcia and Chuck Poole**

**Saturday, August 27**

Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum  
Daytime event - details and exact times to follow

### ***Mentor Sunday***

For six Sunday mornings, the sixth graders and their Adult Mentors have explored some of the basic tenets of our faith, including topics such as worship, Baptist history, baptism, communion, youth discipleship, prayer, and other-mindedness.

The Adult Mentors listed below have served as witnesses, and have represented this community of faith, as these sixth graders have prepared for their graduation from the children's department to the youth house. This Sunday the sixth graders have prepared our liturgy and led us in worship. This is a Sunday to celebrate and bless our sixth graders.

#### **Mentees**

Mary Laurel Boykin  
Blaine Bridges  
Parkes Denton  
Watts Everett  
Anna Mitchell Peters  
Charlotte Poole  
Celia Stribling  
Slates Veazey  
Elise Williams

#### **Mentors**

Sandra Triplett  
Brooks Elfert  
Catherine Carter  
Andy Frame  
Monica Daniels  
Suzanne Boone  
Holly Wiggs & Lida Caraway  
Justin Beard  
Taylor Beard

Cover Meditation offered by Parkes Denton

Meditation of Preparation offered by Anna Mitchell Peters

Litany of Praise offered by Charlotte Poole

Meditation of Confession offered by Watts Everett

Time of Response offered by Blaine Bridges

### **TIME OF RESPONSE**

“The church is a home for all to come together regardless of the depth or the height of our testimony.”

-Dieter F. Uchtdorf

The Recessional Hymn No. 539 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” *HOUSTON*

I want to walk as a child of the light;  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world,  
the star of my life is Jesus.

#### ***Refrain:***

*In him there is no darkness at all;  
the night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God:  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

I want to see the brightness of God;  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path,  
and show me the way to the Father.

#### ***Refrain:***

I'm looking for the coming of Christ;  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
we shall know the joy of Jesus.

#### ***Refrain:***

\*The Benediction

Charles Poole

\*The Postlude

“Prelude in C”

Bach

***\*The congregation will please stand.***

**The Lectionary passages for May 15 are found on the following pages in the Pew Bible:**

Acts 11:1-18 ~ page 895  
Psalm 148 ~ page 508  
Leviticus 19:9-18 ~ page 93  
John 13:31-35 ~ page 877