

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

—Matthew 5:3

NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
3955 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, MS 39211

THE ACT OF WORSHIP

All Saints' Sunday
November 1, 2026
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

> Spiritual homesickness has been a constant in my life. It was not an everyday experience, but a predictable and always reoccurring desperation to find a sense of sacredness within me, not outside of me: my soul, my home, God in me.
>
> —Brene Brown

The Prelude "Children of the Heavenly Father" Childs

The Call to Worship "O Be Joyful" Yarrington

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands!
Serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.
Bless the Lord!

*The Processional Hymn No. 751 *SINE NOMINE*

"For All the Saints"

*The Litany of Praise Rob Triplett

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We will bless the Lord at all times.

People: Our souls shall boast in the Lord.

Leader: O magnify the Lord.

All: Let us exalt the Lord's name together.

*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 Rob Triplett

The Greeting Scott Dickison

IN MEMORIAM
from last All Saints' Day to this

Carolyn Donnell Aden
Earl Marcus "Mark" Wiggs III
Manche Bennett Chotard
Ronald Wayne Scott
Charlotte L. Robinson
John Herschel "Tommy" Thames, Jr.
Marvin Vance
Elizabeth Ann "Libby" Davis McGee
John Marvin Purvis
Frances Richter Shields

The Lessons I John 3:1-3 Scott Dickison
Psalm 34:1-10, 22

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

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

The Meditation of Confession

Letting go into God is coming home to our true selves.

—Ilia Delio

The Silent Prayer

The Assurance of Pardon — Geoff Davidson

The Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer — Geoff Davidson

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 — Rob Triplett

The Offertory "When They Ring Those Golden Bells" — Trotter

*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 — Matthew 23:1-12 — Masyn Evans-Clements

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

The Anthem — "No Night There" — Forrest
Bonnie Brown, *violin*

God is with us; God is for us; do not be afraid.
There shall be no night there, no crying there;
God shall wipe away ev'ry tear from their eyes.

Even in the valley of the shadow of death,
God is with us.
I will fear no evil; God is for us.
Lo, I am with you always, even to the end.

Do not be afraid; God is with us; God is for us.
No night there.

The Sermon "Prepared by Hope" Scott Dickison

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Passing of the Peace

The Call to the Table Scott Dickison

The Communion Litany

Pastor: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat. This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

People: Thanks be to God for the broken bread.

Pastor: After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

People: Thanks be to God for the cup.

Pastor: Thanks be to God for the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus.

All: Thanks be to God for the table of communion.

The congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the cup, and return to the pews by an 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 from the pastors at the communion table.

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

> "...but what if the Beatitudes—as Jesus's command for us to try real hard to be meeker, poorer, mourn-ier in order that we might be blessed in the eyes of God—but what if the Beatitudes aren't a list of conditions we should try to meet to be blessed? What if they are not virtues we should aspire to? Maybe the Sermon on the Mount is all about Jesus's lavish blessing of the people all around him...."
>
> —Nadia Bolz-Weber

*The Recessional Hymn No. 749 *HANOVER*

"Rejoice in God's Saints"

*The Benediction Scott Dickison

*The Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Pethel

**The congregation will please stand.*

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

I John 3:1-3, page 990
Psalm 34:1-10, 22, pages 441-442
Matthew 23:1-12, page 804

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

The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Thomas Maxwell Newcomb. The proud parents are Sarah and Nick Newcomb.

——— 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

Congratulations to Sarah and Nick Newcomb on the birth of their son, Thomas Maxwell Newcomb. Tom is also welcomed by his sister Emily and grandfather George Smith.

ONGOING CAREGIVING CONCERNS

Gorman Schaffer	Virginia Hamilton	Beth Israel Congregation
Carla Holt	Lyllian McMullan	Sue Edwards

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 5	Kirk Sims
November 12	Mitch Peters
November 19	Elizabeth Quinn
November 26	Mike Peters

Meals on Wheels

Monday, November 2

Cooks:	Drivers:
Becky Wooley	Rt. 1: Susan & Charles O'Mara
Polly Bourne	Rt. 2: Zina & Steve Bass
Jim Blackwood	

——— ANNOUNCEMENTS ———

All Saints' Sunday

This evening, we will meet in the sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. for an All Saints' Vespers Service, at which time all the names submitted 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.

The Great Hall Series

Sunday, November 8 at 9:15 a.m.

We will have a presentation of the Annual Report and proposed budget for 2027.

Wednesday Night Supper

Wednesday, November 4
5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall
Cost: $5 per child, $10 per adult, $25 per family

Menu: chicken, rice & broccoli casserole,
steamed carrots, salad, roll and dessert

Servers: Hilda Boteler, Jennifer Carter,
Sara Cox and Gloria Montgomery

Cashier: George Luter

Lunch and Learn with Dr. Dan Jones

Tuesday, November 3, 12:00 p.m.
Great Hall

Join us for our next Lunch and Learn as Dr. Dan Jones, former chancellor of the University of Mississippi, shares reflections and excerpts from his new book, *Medical Missionary: My Journey Through Global Health and Higher Education.* Enjoy lunch and hear more about Dr. Jones' inspiring faith journey from rural Mississippi to North Korea and back again. There will be time for questions from the audience.

To register, please use the QR Code below
or call the church office at 601-982-4703.

Know Your Soul

A spiritual retreat led by Joseph Benton Howell, Ph.D.
Spirituality of the Enneagram, Master Teacher, author of
Know Your Soul: Journeying with the Enneagram
Sponsored by Jackson Enneagram Institute
and the Institute for Conscious Being

Friday, November 6, 5:30—8:30 p.m.
through
Saturday, November 7 , 9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Non-refundable registration cost of $100 includes refreshments, box lunch on Saturday, and a copy of Dr. Howell's book

Registration deadline is Monday, November 2.
Please register by using the QR Code below.

Senior Adult Conference
Scam Awareness and Prevention

Tuesday, November 10
9:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.
Great Hall

Featured Speakers
FBI Investigator
Better Business Bureau Fraud Department

About 58% of adults in the US receive suspected spam messages, calls, emails or texts every day. Join us for a conference focused on preventing fraud, securing your personal information, and dealing with the emotional impact of being scammed. There is no charge for the conference, but advanced registration is required. A continental breakfast and catered lunch are included with registration.

Please register by using the QR code below. Since lunch will be provided, registration is required.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 15
immediately following worship

Agenda

1. 2027 Budget Recommendation from the Finance/Stewardship Committee
2. Search Committee for a new Associate Pastor for Children
3. Ordination of Geoff Davidson

2027 Northminster Deacon Officers

At their October meeting, the Deacons elected the following officers for 2027:

Deacon Chair – Blakely Fender
Deacon Vice Chair – Charles O'Mara
Deacon Secretary – Elizabeth Quinn
Church Clerk – Marty Kelly
Church Treasurer – Josh Norris

Northminster's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner & Communion Service

Wednesday, November 18
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: Sara Cox, Cade Montague,
Judy Rankin, Sandi Rhoden and Carol Taff

——— 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

Join us at 5:00 p.m. for dinner, games, fellowship, and a lesson.

Join us at The Gathering

November 15, 5:00—7:00 p.m. at St. James Episcopal Church.

The Northminster Youth Ministry is partnering with a number of local youth ministries for a night of Thanksgiving worship and fun. Meet at St. James. See Geoff for more info.

2027 Youth Missions Trip: Registration Open!

Youth mission trip to Waco, TX, July 3—8 or 9, 2027. The cost is $275, which includes a $75 deposit.

Children's Worship Volunteer Schedule

November 1: Firecrackers—Caroline & Kirk Sims
Sparklers—Ceejaye & Mitch Peters

November 8: Firecrackers—Sophia & Rachel Royston
Sparklers—Gates & Kyle Skene

Parents' Night Out Update

Parents' Night Out will be taking a break for the remainder of 2026. We know how much our families enjoy this special evening, and we appreciate your understanding as we pause this ministry. We look forward to sharing updates about future Parents' Night Out events!

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

IN MEMORIAM
from last All Saints' Day to this
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Charlotte L. Robinson
John Herschel "Tommy" Thames, Jr.
Marvin Vance
Elizabeth Ann "Libby" Davis McGee
John Marvin Purvis
Frances Richter Shields

Loved Ones, Relatives and Friends
John and Frances Harper
Lillian Norine Thames
Norine and John Thames
Clementine and Henry Brown
Anna Carol Clark
Jan and George Purvis
Ruth and Richard Ballard
Joseph Alexander Purvis
Lefond Hardison
Katheryn and Clifford Williams
Reather and Calhoun Pittman
Jimmy Pittman
Bobby Pittman
Wilson "Lefty" Fulton and Ophia Fulton
James A. Haynes, Jr. and Inez Haynes
James E. Hardin
Ashley L. Stack
Bill Hardin
Rick Bass
Charlie Rugg
Guy Hovis
Dickie Yelverton
J.B. Fowler
Wanda Orrick Fowler

Fran McDonnieal
S.H. “Mac” McDonnieal
Ann Reese McDonnieal
Sandra Caldwell Maloney
Frank Betts
Chuck Schmitt
Dot and John O’Brien
Dot Taylor
Tom Lawrence
Caren Wilson
Katherine Graves Miller
John Gilbert Graves
Durward Lynn Riales
J. George Smith
Julius “Bro” Ridgway
Keneesha Washington
Frederick Raymond Clark
Robert Abide Malouf, Jr.
Elizabeth Ann Clark
John Kelly Byrd
Robert Abide Malouf
Jack W. McDaniel
Grover and Irene Coker
Louise Coker
Francis and Ozelle Wilgar
Ron Fender
John Fox
Bill Fender
Barbara Ann Oliver
Neville and Hettie Allen
William Jesse DuBard, Sr.
Peggy Kirkland Sims
Thelma Louise Stockstill
Douglas Dale Stockstill
Patricia Sims Harmon
Peggy Sims Furini
John and Faye Beall
Eugene and Arlene Stamper
Robert and Timothy Sanders
Noble and Margie Brooks

Woodrow and Lois Drake
John W. McGowan
Dudley and Inez Wilson
Frances Wilson Lester
Linda Gayle Boggan
Patricia Boggan Cummings
Brent Riddell
Willard Henry Boggan
Lindsay Lee Boggan
Robert Thomas Boggan
John Cosier
Virgil Brawley
Steve Chester
Matthew Boatville
John B. Milam
J. Clifford Watson
Martha Watson
W. C. Robertson
Bertrice Shaw Robertson
Kyra Robertson Watson
J. Clifford Watson, Jr.
Eugene H. Behm
Jacquelyn R. Behm
Eugene P. Cohen
Therese Cohen
Tracey R. Cohen
Charles Bacon
Janice Tyre
Ruby and W.T. Rankin
Margaret Morris
Craig Cunningham
Jean and W.O. White
Larry White
Darden Gladney
Roger Friou
William Faser Lee
Thomas Clayton Lee
Tommie Ann Lee
W. T. Lee
Barry Lee

Lucian Harvey
Vera and Parker Jeter
Mary Florence and Lucian Harvey, Sr.
O.G. Vance
Gray Vance
Doug Dickison
Richard Houston Vaughn
Billy Wayne Strum
Delores R. Buenger
Harry Edwin Vickery
Jason and Felicita Smith
Dorothy and Louis Smith
Merle and Lawrence Crumpton
Gayle Crumpton
Beth Breland
Doris and John Henry Boyet
Elsie and Emmett Breland
Cathy Bowles
Sue Spitchley

THE CHURCH IN SERVICE

Sunday, November 1

9:15 a.m. Great Hall Series, GH
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service/Communion
5:00 p.m. Annual Dogwood Planting
5:00 p.m. Atrium & Four5Six
5:00 p.m. Youth Sunday Night, YH
5:30 p.m. All Saints' Vespers Service

Monday, November 2

8:30 a.m. Caregiving, L/CR
10:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, November 3

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

Wednesday, November 4

5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper, GH
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 6

5:30 p.m. Know Your Soul, GH
6:15 p.m. Beth Israel Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 7

9:00 a.m. Know Your Soul, GH

Sunday, November 8

8:30 a.m. Chapel Communion
9:15 a.m. Great Hall Series, GH
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. Atrium & Four5Six
5:00 p.m. Youth Sunday Night, YH
5:30 p.m. Fall Adult Studies, GH

MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
Every member a minister

The Deacon of the Week is Rob Hill.
The Caregiving Chair for November is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiving Coordinator for November is Annette Hitt.
The Caregiver of the Week is Cheryl Allen.
The Liturgists for November are Monica and Rose Daniels.
The flowers for today are provided by John Tingle.
The Usher Captain for November is Dawn Warrington.

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 Students	Geoff Davidson
Associate Pastor for Community and Missions	Masyn Evans-Clements
Associate Pastor for Senior Adults	Marty Harper
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
Facilities Manager	Leonard Wilson

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