NOVEMBER 8, 2020 MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GREETING THE GATHERED: The Love of Jesus Christ be with you!

ALL: And also with you!

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE The Prelude marks the beginning of worship.

Please observe silence as the Prelude begins

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me. O LORD, make haste to help me!

Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you.

Let those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!" ---Psalm 70: 1, 4

#### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Believe the good news!

God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. --John 3:17

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

THE FIRST LESSON: Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14, 15

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

THE SERMON: "Grieve with Hope"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Sherry Farrell, Brian & Liana Austin, Leon Bailey, Billye Mauney, Becky Montgomery, Carol Heavener, Eddie Jackson, Larry Wilbanks, Maxine Tomlinson, Elliott Bailey, Danny Wilbanks, Calvin Austin, Kelli Willey, Jeanette Harrell, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Cheryl Willis, Norris Howell, Anne Elliott, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Deepest Sympathies go to.... The family of Bobby Martin The family of Ray Gaillard The family of Mitch Conely

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents Billye Mauney, Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, George McWilliams, Johnny Cappleman, Billie Pickens, Dennis Buss.

RPC Weekly Financial Update RPC Weekly 2020 Budget: \$2,710.97 Offering Received 11/01/20: \$4,480.00

October Mission Focus | Presbyterian Hunger Grant | Goal \$500 Final Total Collected: \$550.00

November Mission Focus | Tippah County Good Samaritan Center | Goal \$500 Total Collected as of 11/1/20: \$200.00

## **WELCOME & INVITATION**

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here.

We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide.

If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

We are so glad you are here.

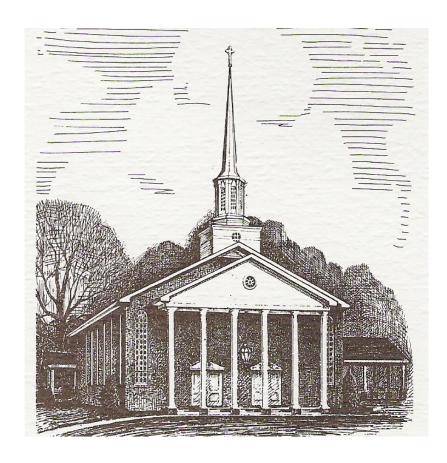
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