APRIL 4, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

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

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDEThe Prelude marks the beginning of worship.Please observe silence as the Prelude begins.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him." Acts 10: 34-35

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we ignore the cries of the oppressed, and are indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the word of the Lord: I am about to create new heavens and a new earth: the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; I will rejoice and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard.

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**

THE FIRST READING: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

THE ANTHEM

"Because He Lives"

Julie Howell Addison

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: Mark 16: 1-8

THE SERMON: "Resurrection Morning!"

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 Infant Baptism of Cora Wilson Guin, daughter of Grant & Montana Guin

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Mary John Dill, Judy Hines Hopper, Prue Bailey, Lynn Daniel Mynatt, Tate Daniel, Leon Bailey, Pat Morris (friend of Judy Austin), Maxine Tomlinson, Elliott Bailey, Danny Wilbanks, Calvin Austin, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Cheryl Willis, Anne Elliott, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Deepest Sympathies to... The family of Pat Morris The family of Dennis Buss

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman, Billie Pickens.

RPC Weekly Financial Update RPC Weekly 2021 Budget: \$2,710.97 Offering Received 3/28/21: \$2,796.00.

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.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

RPC Staff Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor Jennifer Huddleston | Choir Director B.J. Horton | Christian Education Director Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

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MARCH Mission Focus | Ripley Boys & Girls Club | Goal \$500 Final Total Collected: \$795.00 Thank you, THANK YOU!

APRIL FOCUS: RPC Capital Improvement Fund

Earlier this year, your session voted to set aside one month of the year to contribute toward a fund created specifically for capital improvements at RPC. Capital improvements include repairs & replacements, special cleaning, upgrades, etc., for our buildings and campus that are above and beyond the regular budgeted items. Memorials &/or honorariums are gratefully accepted. Thank you!

April 24: "One Great Hour of Sharing" special offering

NC ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERINGS HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ELDERS BY CLASS

Class of 2020 Leon Bailey, Bobby Elliott & Deborah Steverson Will Rotate Off (extended) Active Service in June 2021

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Class of 2022

Norris Howell

Ann Wigington

Kenny Hill

Steve Willey

The Ripley PC/USA Officer Nominating Committee invites you to participate in the process of their work in the following ways: PRAY FOR THE COMMITTEE as it goes about its work. PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATION. PRAY FOR THE ELDERS on our session. PRAYERFULLY identify active members you want the committee to consider and use this form to submit those names.

Your Suggestions for the Class of 2023

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The deadline for submitting the form is **APRIL 4, 2021.** You may bring it to worship service and place it in the offering plate or submit by mail. Please mail your form to: Ripley Presbyterian Church, Attn: Lynn Hill PO Box 872 Ripley, MS 38663

The Officer Nominating Committee will meet Sunday, April 11 immediately after worship.Session | Bobby Elliott, Leon BaileyPW | Monya HillRPC Men | Robert GoolsbyChoir | Lynn Hill