

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  
Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;  
you love righteousness and hate wickedness. Therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions...               ---Psalm 45: 67

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 READING: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9 (Pew Bible OT pg. 160)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: James 1: 17-27 (Pew Bible NT pg. 229)

THE SERMON: “Anger Does Not Produce Righteousness”

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

*\*All Who Are Able Please Stand*

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**PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS**  
Shirley McClain, Shirley Huddleston, Jim Yates, Opal LaBarreare, Louise Miller, Lorenzo Medford,  
Sherry Hill, Stanley Young, Gail Allensworth, Ali Rae Barkley, Frank Gay, Adrienne Phillips, Jamie  
Wall, Helen Beavers, Tate Daniel, Leon Bailey, Maxine Tomlinson, Elliott Bailey, Danny Wilbanks,  
Calvin Austin, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

**Our Deepest Sympathies to....**  
The family of Bobbie Farrow Simpson  
The family of Betty Murray (mother of Judy Austin)

**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 9/19/21: \$1,471.00

**September Mission Focus: Pastor’s Discretionary Assistance Fund/TEPA**  
**Goal: \$500 | Total Collected as of 9/19/21: 275.00**

If you would like to donate toward The Cross of Christ project, you may direct it through Ripley Presbyterian Church. RPC will send these designated funds to The Peoples Bank where a special account is set up for this project.  
Total Collected as of 9/19/21: \$750.00

## 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

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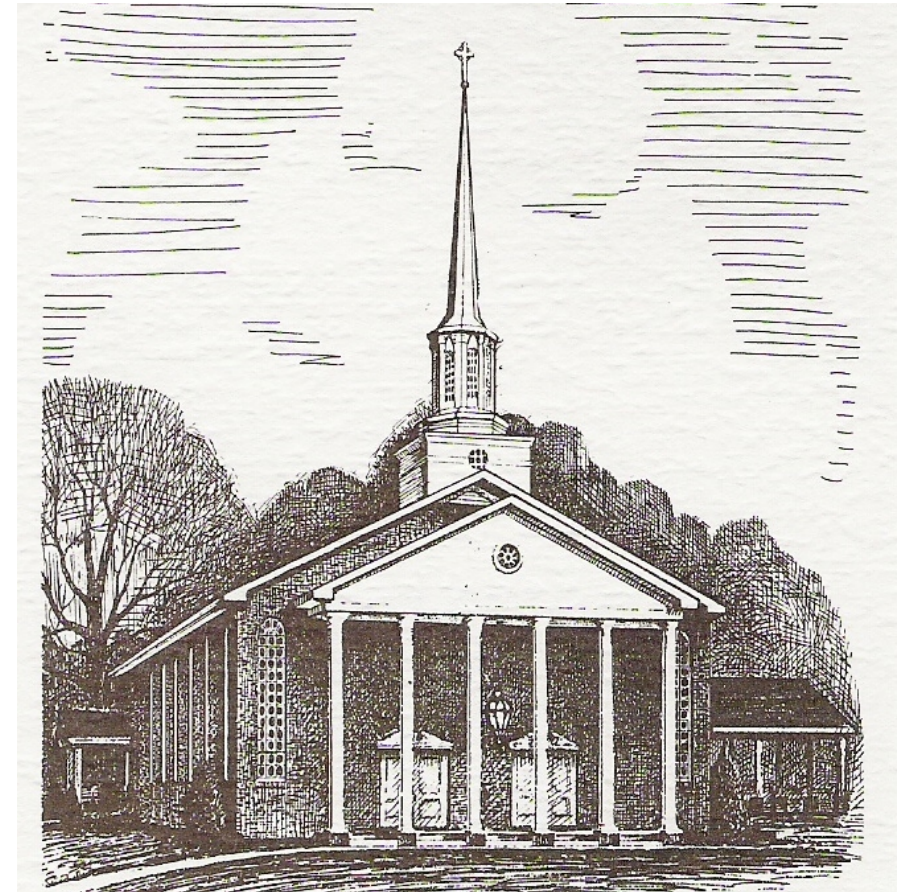
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