

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP  
15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30 A.M.

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  
Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!  
Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.  
Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God...  
Psalm 146: 1, 3, 5

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:  
**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS  
For while we were still weak, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly.  
This proves God’s love for us: while we were sinners Christ died for us.  
Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood,  
will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. -- Romans 5: 6, 8, 9  
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.  
**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

THE FIRST READING: James 2: 1-10, (11-13), 14-17 (Pew Bible NT pg. 229)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: Mark 7: 24-37 (Pew Bible NT pg. 42)

THE SERMON: “Feed the Children”

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

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**PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS**  
Jenny Cook Thompson, Mike Stubbs, Louise Miller, Lorenzo Medford, Hollis Wigington, Patsy Braddock, Megan Braddock Roberts, Sherry Hill, Janet Quinn, 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, Anne Elliott, Leah & Miles Harrell.

**Our Deepest Sympathies to...**  
The family of Malcolm Lindsey  
The family of Kaden Farrell  
The family of Bro. Bill Baker

**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 8/29/21: \$1,420.00

**AUGUST MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund**  
Goal: \$500.00   Final Total Collected: \$675.00

*Special thanks to Elizabeth Elliott for providing our beautiful music today.*

## 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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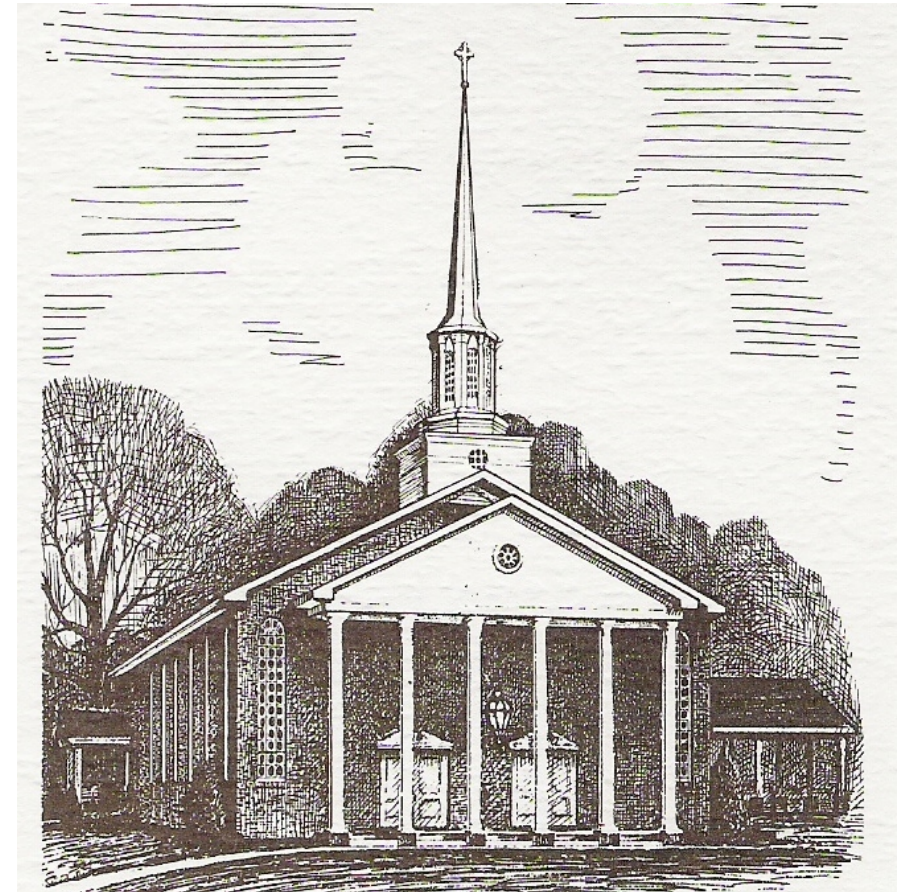
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*A Heart for Christ & Community Since 1837*

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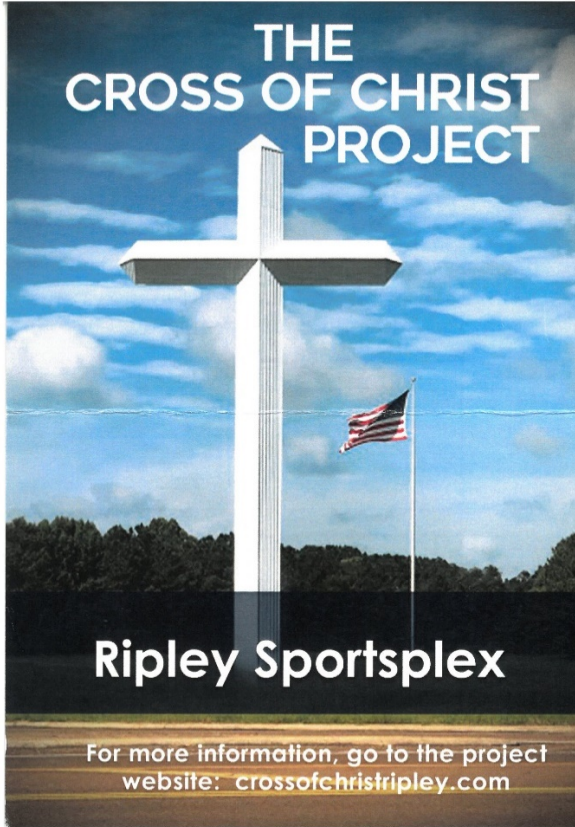


# THE CROSS OF CHRIST PROJECT

The primary goal of the Cross of Christ project is to glorify God and to share the love of Christ demonstrated to us by his death on the cross. To support the construction of a 120' tall cross at the Sportsplex in Ripley, Mississippi, make a donation by

- Contributing through your local Tiptah County church
- Dropping your donation off at any Peoples Bank location in Tiptah County
- Visiting the project website: [crossofchristripley.com](http://crossofchristripley.com)

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## Ripley Sportsplex

For more information, go to the project website: [crossofchristripley.com](http://crossofchristripley.com)



**September Mission Focus: Pastor's Discretionary Assistance Fund/TEPA**

This fund is designated for Tiptah County citizens who request assistance from RPC with their Tiptah Electric Power bill.

**Goal: \$500**

*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 9/5/21: \$650.00***