

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 ---*Psalm 133*
How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron,
running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the
mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #403
“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

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!

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE FIRST READING: John 21: 1-14 *(NT p. 115)*

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: Proverbs 3: 5-12 *(OT p. 586)*

THE SERMON: “Jesus is Watching Over Us”

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 HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #398
“There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

**All Who Are Able Please Stand*

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

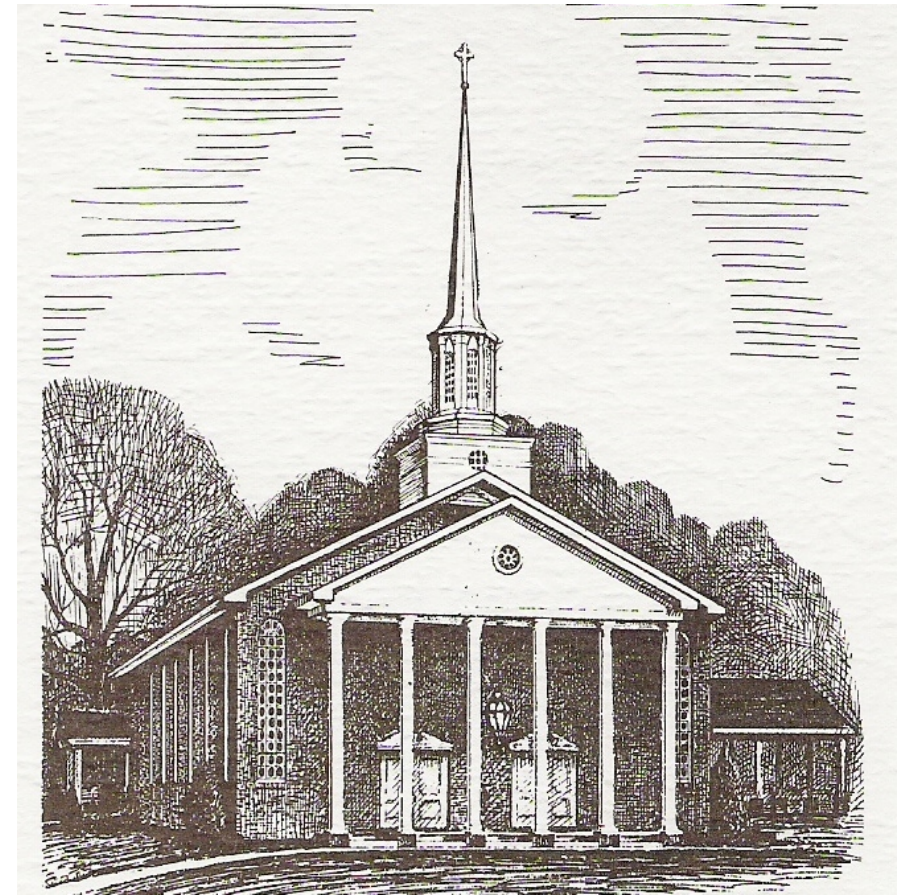
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Many thanks to Dr. Norris Howell, who will bring our message today in Rev. Dr. Jody Hill’s absence. We appreciate you so much Dr. Howell!

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Leon Bailey, Burkett Ray Hopper, Jack Pham, Karl Gaillard, Teresa Sharp (Margie Sharp’s daughter-in-law), Keena Glenn Strong, Randle Beavers, Neal Jackson, James & Diane Hendricks, Carolyn Jennings, Gerald Hill, Tom Muir, Tate Daniel, Ticer Brown, Keith Cox, Sandra Love, Sue Gossett, Jimmy Gaillard, Margaret & Kent Montgomery, Gail Allensworth, Ali Rae Barkley, Adrienne Phillips, Jamie Wall, Calvin Austin, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Laron Shannon, Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman, Billie Pickens, Jimmy & Judy Hines Hopper.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2022 Budget: \$2,710.97
Offering Received 4/24/22: \$1,367.00

April Nursery Volunteers

(10:30 Worship Service)

April 3: Sally Permenter

April 10: Elizabeth Elliott

April 17: Monya Hill (Jenna Hopper & Diane Bailey assisting)

April 24: Grace-Anne Brown

RPC MISSION FOCUS FOR APRIL

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO UKRAINE WAR

Total Collected as of 4/24/22: \$2,350.00



As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of people being displaced internally and fleeing to neighboring countries increases by the day. And in the midst of the chaos, there are sibling churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. Our first priority as PDA is to provide funding to these partners on the ground. While the scale of this crisis is new, receiving refugees from Ukraine and others countries in Central and eastern Europe is not--which means we have trusted, established partners with the knowledge and expertise to carry out this important work. Our response will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead. Funds are being used for emergency humanitarian aid such as food items, shelter, medicines, diapers, hygiene items, etc.

GIVE | To support emergency relief for those fleeing Ukraine, make your check to Ripley Presbyterian Church, and note “PDA Ukraine” in the memo.

ACT | Share this opportunity to help with friends & family.

PRAY | Our best response is prayer. Pray that through the response of the faith community, survivors and those offering assistance will be reminded of the hope that is found in Christ.

