

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 1*  
Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #293

“This Is My Father’s World”

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:  
**Almighty Father, we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others.**  
**We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused that makes it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, and the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves.**  
**Lord have mercy and forgive us through Christ. Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS  
Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
                                  *–Isaiah 43: 18-19*

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

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 18: 1-11 (*OT p. 720*)

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT: Luke 14: 25-33 (*NT p. 78*)

THE SERMON TITLE: “Consider the Cost”

**\*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 OFFERING & THE OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY

THE DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER WITH OUR LORD’S PRAYER

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #525

“Here I Am, Lord”

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*PASSING THE PEACE AND BEARING CHRIST’S PEACE TO THE WORLD

\*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

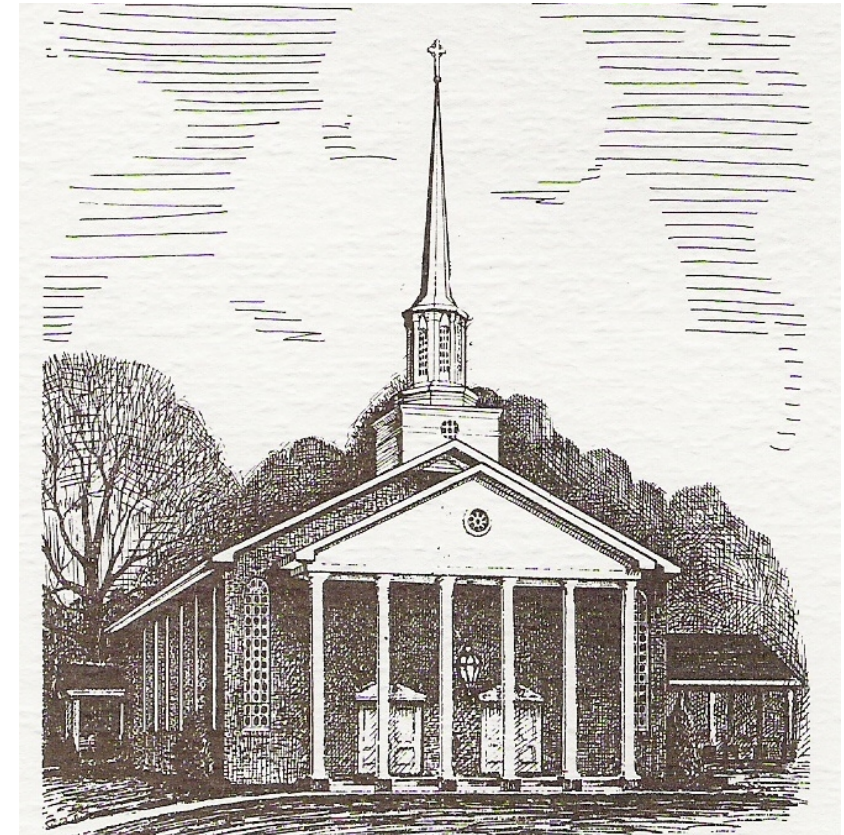
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**Today, Sept. 4 | Choir Practice!!!! | 11:30 am | Come join us!!**

### September 18 | CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The RPC Session has called for a Congregational Meeting for the following purpose:  
Subject to the approval of the Presbytery of St. Andrew, the congregation of the Ripley Presbyterian Church approves and authorizes the sale of the manse property located at 111 Forest Road, Ripley, MS for a fair market price as determined by the session.  
The session and/or RPC trustees are authorized to execute any documents necessary to facilitate and finalize such sale.

### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Sherry Hill, Jay Raigin (Dean of UT Dental School, friend of Dr. & Mrs. Norris Howell), Barbara Martin, Ali Rae Barkley, Clay Beaty (son of Greg & Amy Beaty), Jennifer Wilson, Dusty Rowland, Jane Kilzer, Angie Leisure Beavers, Betty Windham, Sam Vaughn, Lenox Kennamore, Jamie Wall, Larry Brock, Destiny Parker Hurley, Tommy Simpson, Mike Stubbs, Jean Hall, Gail & Harvey Childers, Frank Gay, Lori Chapman, Karl Gaillard, Teresa Sharp, James & Diane Hendricks, Keith Cox, Sandra Love, Jimmy Gaillard, Gail Allensworth, Ali Rae Barkley, Calvin Austin, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

### Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

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

### RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2022 Budget: \$2,710.97  
Offering Received 8/28/22: \$2,104.00  
Worship Attendance 8/28/22: 59

### Nursery Volunteers (10:30 Worship Service)

Sept. 4: Jenna Hopper  
Sept. 11: Monya Hill  
Sept. 18: B.J. Horton  
Sept. 25: Grace-Anne Brown

**August Mission Focus: RPC Capital Improvements Fund**  
**Final Total Collected: \$720.00**

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

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

**Goal: \$500**

**Our children's Sunday School class** is offered from 10:00 -10:20 am every Sunday in the Education Building. Teachers Elizabeth Elliott, B.J. Horton, & Grace-Anne Brown will participate on a rotating schedule.

### WEDNESDAYS AT 6:00 PM

Please join us every **Wednesday night at 6:00 pm** for Bible Study via Facebook Live on the Ripley Presbyterian Facebook page.

Rev. Jody Hill, Norris Howell, Jennifer Huddleston, & Lynn Hill will be participating & will offer insight on the next Sunday's liturgy.

*Can't make it on Wednesdays? No problem! The study can be viewed later at your convenience via the Facebook page, YouTube, Instagram & Twitter!*

### PASTORAL VISITS

Pastor Jody will be in the church office on Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings before worship. If you would like to schedule a pastoral visit on one of those days, please contact him or Lynn at the office to do so (662-837-3765). You can also request an in-home visit at another time more convenient to your schedule.



**WEDNESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 14** **5:45 - 7:30  
PM**  
**BURGERS & HOT DOGS** **INVITE A FRIEND!**  
**BRING YOUR FAVORITE TAILGATE FOOD!**

*Join us at the Gregg  
Center Sept. 14th!*

**Wear your favorite  
team colors!**

*Hamburgers & Hot Dogs grilled to  
perfection by the RPC Men's Fellowship.  
Just bring your favorite "tailgate" dish to  
share! Devotion & games to follow our  
meal--invite a friend & come share in  
food, fellowship & fun with us!*

