

DECEMBER 11, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:30 A.M.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

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 146: 5-10*

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #25

"Away in a Manger"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**We confess that we have sacrificed Your goodness for material goods.
We have meditated on our problems instead of meditating on Your promises.
We have shunned Your faithful love by seeking solace in sinful places.
We humbly seek Your mercy, O Lord.
Please forgive our rebellion and ignorance, our wayward hearts and loose tongues.
Restore us, O Lord, to the joy of Your salvation and make us willing to obey You.
Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? God, who did not withhold the Beloved Son, but gave him up for all of us. Will God not also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. -- Romans 8: 31-34

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

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE | *JOY*

Dr. & Mrs. Norris Howell, Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Addison, & Ossie Addison

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM | "Christmastime"

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT: Luke 1: 46b-55(*NT p. 57*)

THE SERMON TITLE: "Magnify the Lord"

*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 #31

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

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

RPC Staff
Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor
Jennifer Huddleston | Director of Music
Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

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RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Heart for Christ & Community Since 1837

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

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COMING UP...

December 11 | "Lesson & Carols" practice at 2:00 pm. Program begins at 4:00 pm.

DECEMBER 18, 2022 | Total Collected as of 12/4/22: \$225.00



Every generous act of giving... is from above. -James 1: 17

The only perfect gift ever given was the one we received in Jesus Christ – a perfect gift from a generous God. Your gifts reflect our generous God by supporting leaders in our Church and world – past, present & future. Please give generously. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Sandra Love, Mike Carter, Shirley McClain, Austin Parks, Anne Elliott, Jovie Hill (infant daughter of Reed & Kelsey Hill), Anonymous, Johnny Daniel, Haley Loveless, Cathi Watson, Judy McElwain, Steele Moreland, Barbara Martin, Ali Rae Barkley, Clay Beaty, Jennifer Wilson, Dusty Rowland, Jane Kilzer, Angie Leisure Beavers, Betty Windham, Lenox Kennamore, Destiny Parker Hurley, Jean Hall, Gail & Harvey Childers, Frank Gay, Lori Chapman, Teresa Sharp, Calvin Austin, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Deepest Sympathies to....

The family of Kirby Carpenter
The family of Donny Jackson

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Laron Shannon, Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2022 Budget: \$2,710.97
Offering Received 12/4/22: \$1,558.00
Worship Attendance 12/4/22: 81

Nursery Volunteers (10:30 Worship Service)

Dec. 11: Jenna Hopper
Dec. 18: B.J. Horton

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.

A festive poster for "Lessons & Carols" with a white background, snowflakes, and a pine branch. The title "Lessons & CAROLS" is in a mix of black and red fonts. It lists the presenters as "The Music Ministries & Friends of Ripley Presbyterian Church & Ripley First United Methodist Church" and provides the date and time: "DECEMBER 11, 2022 4:00 PM" at "RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH". It also mentions an opportunity to contribute to the Tippah County Good Samaritan Center.

Lessons
& CAROLS

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The Music Ministries & Friends of
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& Ripley First United Methodist
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DECEMBER 11, 2022
4:00 PM
RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

WE WILL BE OFFERING AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE
TOWARD TIPPAH COUNTY GOOD SAMARITAN CENTER
IN THE NARTHEX OF THE RPC BEFORE & AFTER THE
PROGRAM

A dark blue poster for "Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service" featuring a white star at the top and four lit candles at the bottom. The text is in a gold, serif font.

Christmas Eve
Candlelight Communion
Service

24TH of DECEMBER
5:00 PM
RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HOPE · PEACE · JOY · LOVE