### THE HANGING OF THE GREENS

THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 4, 2022 | 10:30 A.M.

GREETING THE GATHERED The Peace of Christ our Lord be with you!

ALL: And Also With You!

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL PRESENTATION | Tommy Covington

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

---Psalm 72:18

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE #31 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN

THE PRAYER OF PRAISE, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

I. THE ADVENT WREATH | *Austin, Jenna, Brooks & Tatum Hopper* Isaiah 35:1-4; Philippians 4:4-5 & Background

\*Carol #25 "Away in a Manger" MUELLER (Please stand and sing the first verse)

II. THE BALCONY & SANCTUARY WINDOWS | *Grace-Anne Brown* Luke 2: 10-14 & Background

Carol #56 "The First Nowell" THE FIRST NOEL (Please remain seated and sing the first verse.)

As the carol is sung, the balcony & window decorations will be completed.

# III. THE PULPIT | *Randle Beavers* Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:18-23 & Background

Carol #23 "Angels We Have Heard on High" GLORIA
(Please remain seated and sing the first verse.)

IV. THE POINSETTIAS | Robert & Sharon Goolsby Psalm 84:1-4, Jeremiah 25:5-6 & Background

Carol #38 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear" CAROL (Please remain seated and sing the first verse)

As the carol is being sung, the final poinsettias will be set in place.

V. THE CHRISMON TREE | *Jennifer Huddleston* John 1: 1-5 & Background

\*Carol #60 "Silent Night, Holy Night" STILLE NACHT (Please stand and sing the first two verses.)

As the carol is being sung, the final Chrismons will be placed on the branches of the Chrismon Tree and the lights will be turned on.

VI. THE CHURCH BELLS | *Shea Scott* Psalm 5: 11-12 & Background

The Ringing of Our Church Bell & Special Carolers

VII. THE CLOSING OF THE SERVICE | Lynne & Norris Howell Psalm 150 & Background

\*Carol #41 "O Come All Ye Faithful" ADESTE FIDELES (Please stand and sing first and third verses)

\*THE POSTLUDE

<sup>\*</sup>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.

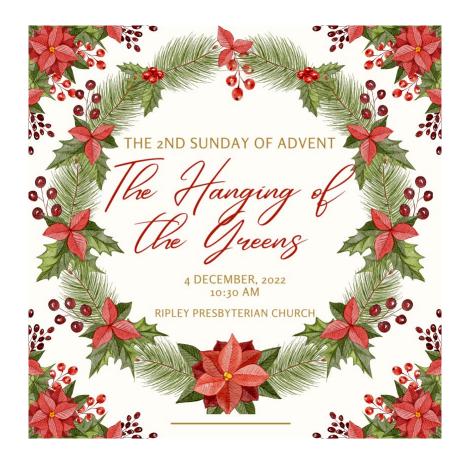
**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

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

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**Today, December 4** | "Soup & Santa" fellowship meal immediately after worship at the Gregg Center. Everyone's invited!

Today, December 4 | "Lessons & Carols" choir practice at 4:30 pm

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

#### **DECEMBER 18, 2022**



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!

November Mission Focus: Tippah County Good Samaritan Center | Goal \$500 FINAL Total Collected as of 11/27/2022: \$1,370.00. Thank you, THANK YOU!

Together For Tippah: RPC has collected \$400 in contributions to help with wishlists! Thank you!

#### A Note of Special Thanks...

To Jennifer Huddleston; all of our Readers and those assisting this morning with the decorations; John Braddock, Jason & Ryan Scott, Barry Cook, Benton Elliott, Price Elliott, Joey & Craig Bullock & Kenny Hill for setting up the Chrismon Tree; Earnest Rainer for making sure the Chrismon lights shine brightly; Sharon Goolsby & Mary Ann Brown for decorating our windows; EVERYONE who pitched in & helped with decorating the Chrismon Tree & our sanctuary & the Gregg Center Wednesday night; and Ann Wigington for our beautiful Advent Wreath---thank you.

#### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

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, Sandra Love, Calvin Austin, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

#### Our Deepest Sympathies to....

The family of Charles Kirk

#### 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 11/27/22: \$2,197.00 Worship Attendance 11/27/22: 60

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

Dec 4: Grace-Anne Brown 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.



In Honor of Dan & Kate Adams, & Family

By Pat Ledbetter

In Honor of Helen Parks, Elizabeth Jordan, & Hayes Stubbs By Mark & Linda Stubbs

In Honor of Dr. Charles M. Elliott, M.D.

By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Leah & Miles Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of Our Grandparents
By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of John Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Benny & Marilyn Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Sharon & Robert Goolsby By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott In Honor of Jamie Wall By Sharon & Robert Goolsby

In Honor of Our Children
By Hollis & Ann Wigington

In Honor of Our Grandchildren
By Hollis & Ann Wigington

In Honor of Julie & Patrick Addison By Norris & Lynne Howell

> In Honor of Ossie Addison By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Memory of OC Thomas By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Memory of J. D. Thomas By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Memory of Valerie Boyd Howell By Norris & Lynne Howell

> In Memory of Gene Howell By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Honor of our Children, Grandchildren, & Great-Grandchild

By Anne & Bobby Elliott



In Memory of Rev. & Mrs. Walter Smith By Anne & Bobby Elliott

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Benton Elliott By Anne & Bobby Elliott

> In Memory of Ray Gaillard By Shirley & Lamon McClain

In Memory of Geneva & Leland Mauney
By Shirley & Lamon McClain

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Elliott, & Shirley Lockhart

By Price & Reeca Elliott, Charles Elliott, & Grace-Anne & Austin Brown

In Memory of Tommy Lockhart &
Our Grandparents
By Price & Reeca Elliott

In Honor of Jason Michael Carter

By Mike & Ilene Carter

In Honor of Bailey & Sam Steverson By Wayne & Deborah Steverson In Memory of Leon M. Bailey, Jr. By Wayne & Deborah Steverson

In Memory of Ticer Brown By Mary Ann Brown & Family

In Memory of Dan, Bea, & Joe Wiggs By Beth Kuykendall & Family

In Honor of Robert & Sharon Goolsby

By Jamie Wall

In Honor of my Children, Grandchildren, & Great Grandchildren

By Jane Cousar

In Memory of Don Cousar By Jane Cousar

In Memory of Joyce McWilliams

By Teri Watson

In Memory of Jean Watson

By Michael Watson

In Memory of Joe Sam & Martha Shackleford By Jody Steverson

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. F.E. Steverson, Sr. By Jody Steverson & Rusty Steverson



In Memory of Raiford Long
By the RPC Session

In Memory of Leon M. Bailey, Jr. By Jody & Lauren Steverson

In Honor of Diane Bailey By Bailey & Sam Steverson

In Honor of Wayne & Deborah Steverson By Bailey & Sam Steverson

In Honor of B.J. Horton, Hannah & Stan III By Connie Braddock

> In Memory of Danny Braddock By Connie Braddock

In Memory of Stan Horton, Jr.
By Connie Braddock

In Honor of Jane Cousar & Linda Shannon

By Reed & Ryan Scott

In Memory of Our Grandparents
By Jason & Shea Scott

In Memory of Robert & Linda Scott By Jason & Shea Scott

In Memory of Leon M. Bailey, Jr.
By Kenny & Lynn Hill

In Honor of Ann & Hollis Wigington By Kenny & Lynn Hill

In Honor of Prue Bailey
By Diane Bailey

In Memory of Leon M. Bailey, Jr.
By Diane Bailey

In Memory of Pete & Helen Elliott By Diane Bailey

In Memory of Elvin Huddleston By Shirley & Jennifer Huddleston

In Memory of Elvin Huddleston

By Wanda, Billy, Mac & Emily Parker

Newton

In Honor of Lynn Hill & the Choir By Jennifer Huddleston



