AUGUST 27, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30 A.M.

HYMNAL #487

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 124: 2, 3, 8

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us, then they would have swallowed us up alive when their anger was kindled against us; Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. -- The Book of Common Worship, 1993

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving kindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sin, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his loving kindness toward those who fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. *--Psalm* 103: *8*, 10-12

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

HYMNAL #579

THE FIRST READING | Romans 12: 1-8 (*NT p.161*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | Matthew 16: 13-20 (*NT p. 18*)

THE SERMON TITLE | "Who Do You Say That I Am?"

*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 #359

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

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.

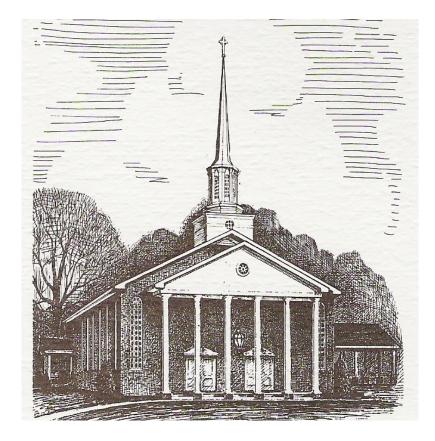
FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

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

RPC 2023 Session Members Moderator Rev. Dr. Jody Hill Class of 2025 | Kenny Hill & Norris Howell Class of 2024 | Bobby Elliott & Shea Scott Class of 2023 | Jennifer Huddleston, Benton Elliott, & Robert Goolsby Clerk of Session | Lynn Hill

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RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The mission of Ripley Presbyterian Church is to glorify and love God and love people by meeting them where they are and encouraging them toward a lifelong joyous relationship with Christ.

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor

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Please Note...

Today, Sunday, August 27 | Confirmation/New Members Class (Children & Youth) | 4:00 pm Rev. Jody Hill will be directing this class. We need "Snack Volunteers"! See sign-up sheet in the Narthex after worship, or text/Email Lynn Hill if you'd like to help!

Sunday, Sept. 3 | Choir Practice | 5:00 pm



RPC AUGUST MISSION FOCUS | Ripley Boys & Girls Club | Goal \$500 Total Collected as of 8/20/2023: \$430.00



1 believe in God and the right to worship according to my own faith and religion.

 believe in America and the American way of life, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights.
believe in fair play, honesty, and

sportsmanship.

1 believe in my Boys & Girls Club, which stands for these things.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS RECITE THIS PLEDGE EVERY DAY.



PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Those affected by the disaster in Hawaii, Angela Johnson, Pat Hopper, Amy Reaves, Beth Hill, Joyce Clemmer, Mary Beth & Aaron Warhurst & family, Charles & Carolyn Bryant, Stephanie Drewery Highland, Jennifer Childs, Doris Moffit, Becky Montgomery, Diana Hendricks, Donnie Cousar, Sam Buchanan, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Mary Jo Lence, Kay Clark, Richard Marsalis, Edward Willingham, Carolyn Dickerson Burge, Tommy Covington, Brad Sullivan, Jerry McLemore, Tate Daniel, Wayne Steverson, Cindy Horton, Anne Elliott, Ali Rae Barkley, Dusty Rowland, Tina Sanford, Stephanie Nichols, Josh Reaves, Olivia Pounders, Justin Mauney, Eli Johnson, Johnny Daniel, Haley Loveless, Cathi Watson, Angie Leisure Beavers, Lenox Kennamore, Destiny Parker Hurley, Gayle & Harvey Childers, Lori Chapman, Calvin Austin, Leah & Miles Harrell.

Our Deepest Sympathies to....

The family of Mrs. Shelby Morton The family of Mrs. Billie Childs Hughey The family of Mrs. Marnell Childers The family of Henry Smith

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Lorenzo Medford, Laron Shannon, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman.

RPC Weekly Financial Update RPC Weekly 2023 Budget: \$2,860.29 Offering Received 8/20/23: \$3,388.00 Worship Attendance 8/20/23: 81