

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 123: 1 & 2*

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!  
As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,  
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

**"How Great Thou Art"**

**HYMNAL #467**

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

Gracious Father, in this season of thanksgiving, remind us of the truth that every good and perfect gift comes from You. God, we admit that even in our moment of gratitude, we fall short. We feel thankful for the gifts without acknowledging the Giver. We praise the beautiful creation around us without drawing close to the Creator. We sing about our salvation without glorifying You - our Savior. Forgive us.

Remind us, oh God, that any good we experience is only a glimpse of Your character. That any blessing is only a foretaste of what You have in store for those who put their hope in You. And that even our lives- the very breath in our lungs- is only there because of Your deep love for us. God, reveal Yourself to us in every good gift, and give us eyes to see You in them. In Christ's holy Name we pray. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.  
---*Romans 5: 1 -2*

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God**

THE FIRST READING | Judges 4: 1-7 (*OT p.220*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | Matthew 25: 14-30 (*NT p. 28*)

THE SERMON TITLE | "Enter Into the Joy of Your Master"

**\*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** (*Please be seated afterwards*)

THE DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER WITH OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE**

**"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"**

**HYMNAL #357**

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.*

### Profession of Faith with the Pastor

*If you have never made a profession of faith and asked Christ  
to be the Lord of your life, Pastor Jody will be happy to help you begin that journey today.  
He is available to meet in the Pastor's Study each Sunday immediately following  
worship to discuss the gift of salvation God has prepared for us all.  
Just ask him during greeting time after worship if he has a few minutes to talk.*

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

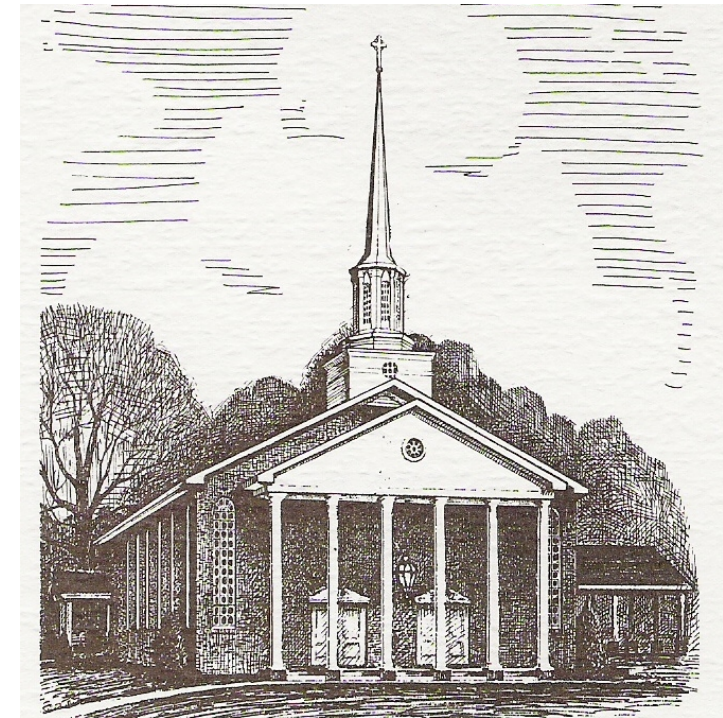
#### RPC Staff

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.

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**Please Note.....**

Today, Nov. 19 | A Congregational Meeting will be held immediately following worship to elect elders for the Class of 2026.  
The Officer Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following nominees:  
Elder Class of 2026 | Ann Wigington, Price Elliott, & Vince Jordan

Today, Nov. 19 | Session Meeting | Immediately following worship | Session Room  
Today, Nov. 19 | Bell Choir Practice | 4:00 pm  
Today, Nov. 19 | Choir Practice “Lesson & Carols” | 5:00 pm

*The RPC office will be closed November 21-23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.*

**PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS**

The nation of Israel & all those impacted by this act of terrorism, Joey Mauney, Brantley McAlister, Ginger Vick, Jovie Hill, Sam Malette, Emily Newton, Tony Huddleston, Jason Hall, Jean Butler, Kathy Sturdivant, Donnie Cousar, Gunner Duncan, Deanna Hartman, Richard Todd, Jane Tisdale, Helen Beavers, Harry Ward, Freddy Daniel, Felix Jones, Mike Carter, Billy & Nyleen Hopkins & family, Phyllis McCafferty, Angela Johnson, Pat Hopper, Amy Reaves, Joyce Clemmer, Charles & Carolyn Bryant, Stephanie Drewery Highland, Jennifer Childs, Diana Hendricks, Sam Buchanan, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Carolyn Dickerson Burge, Tommy Covington, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, Cindy Horton, Anne Elliott, Ali Rae Barkley, Dusty Rowland, Tina Sanford, Stephanie Nichols, Josh Reaves, Olivia Pounders, Justin Mauney, Eli Johnson, Haley Loveless, Angie Leisure Beavers, Lenox Kennamore, Destiny Parker Hurley, Gayle & Harvey Childers, Lori Chapman, Calvin Austin, Leah & Miles Harrell.

*If you wish to have a name removed or added to this list, please contact the church office.*

**Our Deepest Sympathies to....**

The family of Richard Marsalis (father of Chris Marsalis)  
Arrangements are as follows:  
Friday, December 8  
Visitation 5pm to 7 pm | Service at 7pm  
McBride’s Funeral Home, Ripley MS

The family of Willie Harrell

**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 11/12/23: \$4,576.00  
Worship Attendance 11/12/23: 100

**RPC NOVEMBER MISSION FOCUS | The Tippah County Good Samaritan Center**  
**Goal: \$750.00. Total Collected as of 11/12/2023: \$790.00**

**THE RPC PANTRY PROJECT**

*If you want to participate, simply bring any of the items on the provided list & place them in the bins found in the narthex, OR come by the church office & drop them off with Lynn Hill.*

<b>Food:</b>	<b>Toiletries:</b>	<b>Household Items:</b>
Ramen Noodles	Toothpaste	Paper Towels
Spaghetti Noodles/Boxed Pasta	Toothbrushes	Toilet Paper
Rice	Feminine Products (Pads, Tampons)	Cleaning Products
Oatmeal/Non-Flavored	Shampoo/Conditioner	Laundry Detergent
Canned Soup	Soap (Bar Soap)	Band-Aids
Canned Ravioli/Spaghetti O’s	Deodorant	Towels
Canned Vegetables (Corn, Green Beans, Green Peas, Black Eyed Peas, Baked Beans, etc).	Pull-ups (2T-5T) Diapers (NB-5) Baby Wipes	Pots/Pans
Macaroni & Cheese	Baby Wash/Shampoo	Luggage/Totes
Canned Sloppy Joe Mix	Bottles	
Canned Tomato Sauce	Liquid Hand Soap	
Peanut Butter		
Jelly		
Nabs		
Goldfish		
Sugar		
Self-Rising Flour		
Powdered Milk		
Baby Water		
Bottled Water		
Tea Bags/Decaffeinated		
Hamburger Helper		