FEBRUARY 18, 2024 MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

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 --- Genesis 9: 8, 9, 10

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him,

"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark."

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #78

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

The Book of Common Worship, 1946

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Now to the one who is able to keep you from falling, to make you stand without blemish in the presence of glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. ---Jude 24-25

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

*THE GLORIA PATRI HYMNAL #579

THE FIRST READING | 1 Peter 3: 18-22 (NT pg.234)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | Mark 1:9-15 (NT p.34)

THE SERMON TITLE | "The Fast of 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 (Please be seated afterwards)

THE DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER WITH OUR LORD'S PRAYER

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #81

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

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

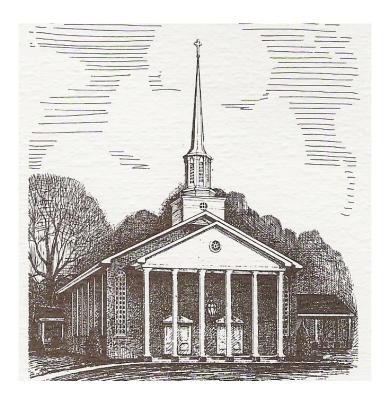
RPC Staff Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor Jennifer Huddleston | Choir Director Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

RPC 2024 Session Members Moderator Rev. Dr. Jody Hill Class of 2026 | Price Elliott, Vince Jordan, & Ann Wigington Class of 2025 | Kenny Hill Class of 2024 | Bobby Elliott & Shea Scott 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....

Tithes & Offerings statement for 2023 are available to pickup at the church office.

Today, Feb. 18 | The "We Care" Committee will meet at 3:00 pm in the Gregg Center.

Today, Feb. 18 | Bell Choir Practice | 4:00 pm

Today, Feb. 18 | Choir Practice | 5:00 pm

Wednesday, Feb. 21 | "The Lenten Journey"

Pastor Jody will offer a brief devotion via our RPC Facebook page every Wednesday at noon leading up to Easter Sunday. It can also be viewed later on the RPC YouTube channel.

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

The nation of Israel & all those affected by war, Mickey Hill, Greg Beaty, Roger Woods, Kay Clark, Eden Thompson, Sherry Hill, Larry & Jean Davis, Becky Montgomery, Pat & David Settlemires, Hannah Hurt Jones, Sadie Stubbs, Baby Parker, Yadira Romo, Darlene Thompson, Helen Beavers, Johnny Daniel, Ruthie Bridges, Joey Mauney, Ginger Vick, Emily Newton, Jason Hall, Jean Butler, Kathy Sturdivant, Donnie Cousar, Gunner Duncan, Deanna Hartman, Jane Tisdale, Harry Ward, Freddy Daniel, Angela Johnson, Amy Reaves, Charles & Carolyn Bryant, Stephanie Drewery Highland, Diana Hendricks, Sam Buchanan, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Carolyn Dickerson Burge, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, Anne Elliott, Ali Rae Barkley, Dusty Rowland, Tina Sanford, Stephanie Nichols, Josh Reaves, Justin Mauney, Eli Johnson, Haley Loveless, 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 Olivia Pounders The family of Larry Jackson The family of Dr. Norris Howell

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

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

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Offering Received 2/11/24: \$3,982.00

Worship Attendance 2/11/24: 57



RPC FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS

Total Collected as of 2/11/24: \$1,025.00

Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Please give generously on February 11 (Super Bowl Sunday), & throughout the month of February.

Every dollar donated goes to The Tippah County Good Samaritan Center – our 2024 Souper Bowl of Caring charity of choice.

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.

Monetary donations are also welcomed!

Items that we desperately need to replenish:

Baby Formula (Enfamil)
Baby Wipes
Newborn Diapers
Diapers Size 5
Pullups
Baby Soap/Wash
Adult Soap
Washing Detergent