MARCH 3, 2024 MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

3RD 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 --- Exodus 20: 1-3

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no others gods before me.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

**HYMNAL #441** 

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

#### 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. **Thanks be to God.** 

\*THE GLORIA PATRI HYMNAL #579

THE FIRST READING | 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25(NT pg.166)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | John 2: 13-22 (NT p.93)

THE SERMON TITLE | "Zeal for God's House"

#### \*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 #442

"The Church's One Foundation"

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....

## Today, March 3 | Easter Egg Hunt Committee Meeting | 11:30 am

Members: Grace Ann Brown, Monya Hill, Beth Kuykendall, Melinda Marsalis, Linda Stubbs, Ann Wigington, Lynn Hill (& anyone else who wants to help!).

Chairpersons: Jenna Hopper, Anna Jordan

If you'd like to help "stuff eggs"—please pick up a bag of eggs in the narthex, stuff them with candy, and return to RPC by March 17<sup>th</sup>!

Today, March 3 | Choir Practice | 5:00 pm Bell Choir Practice | 6:00 pm

March 10 | Session Meeting | 11:30 am

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March 11 | RPC/Presbyterian Women Bible Study | 10 am Ann Wigington, Leader. All women of the congregation are invited!

**RPC** Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Offering Received 2/25/24: \$3,639.00

Worship Attendance 2/25/24: 78

# RPC FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS | "Souper Bowl of Caring"

Final Total Collected: \$2,080.00

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

## RPC MARCH MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund



**OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE** 

- Focuses on the long-term recovery of disaster impacted communities.
- Provides training and disaster preparedness for presbyteries and synods.
- Works collaboratively with church partners and members of the ACT Alliance (Action by Churches Together) internationally, and nationally with other faith-based responders.
- Connects partners locally and internationally with key organizations active in the response
   United Nations, NVOAD (National Voluntary Agencies Active in Disaster),
   World Food Program, Red Cross, FEMA and others.

#### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Melrose Roberson, Tracey Stewart, Josh Smith, Mickey Hill, Kay Clark, Sherry Hill, Larry & Jean Davis, Hannah H. Jones, Baby Parker, Yadira Romo, Darlene Thompson, Joey Mauney, Emily Newton, Jason Hall, Donnie Cousar, Gunner Duncan, Deanna Hartman, Jane Tisdale, Freddy Daniel, Sam Buchanan, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Carolyn Dickerson Burge, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, Anne Elliott, Ali Rae Barkley, Tina Sanford, Gayle & Harvey Childers, 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 Sherri Rowell The family of Karter Wilson
The family of Dale Robertson The family of Fagin Yancey

The family of Terry Wooley

The families of the MS Air National Guard pilots

## Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

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

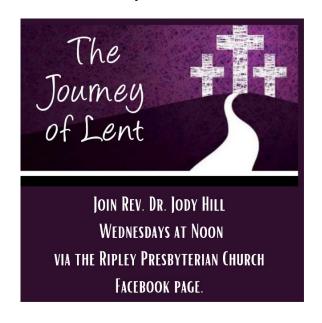
# THE RPC PANTRY PROJECT

If you want to participate, simply bring any of the items on the provided list & 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



## Saturday, March 23 | 10 am until 12 Noon!





Thursday, March 28 | 6:00 pm

