# MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

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.

"To God be the Glory"

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

THE CALL TO WORSHIP --- Psalm 107: 1-3

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE** 

HYMNAL #485

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

We confess that we have sacrificed Your goodness for material goods. We have meditated on our problems instead of meditating on Your promises. We have shunned Your faithful love by seeking solace in sinful places. We humbly seek Your mercy, O Lord.

Please forgive our rebellion and ignorance, our wayward hearts and loose tongues. Restore us, O Lord, to the joy of Your salvation and make us willing to obey You. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

#### THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? God, who did not withhold the Beloved Son, but gave him up for all of us. Will God not also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. -- Romans 8: 31-34

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

**HYMNAL #579** 

THE FIRST READING | Ephesians 2: 1-10 (*NT pg.192*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | John 3: 14-21 (*NT p.94*)

THE SERMON TITLE | "Whosoever Believes in Him Shall Not Perish"

#### \*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 #336

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love for Me"

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.

Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor

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#### Please Note ....

Today, March 10 | Choir Practice | 5:00 pm | Bell Choir Practice | 6:00 pm

March 11 | RPC/Presbyterian Women Bible Study | 10:00 am Ann Wigington, Leader. All women of the congregation are invited!

March 17 | Last day to order Easter Lily(ies).

March 23 | Easter Egg Hunt | 10am - 12 Noon We need volunteers to help hide eggs and for "crowd control"! Contact Jenna Hopper or Anna Jordan if you can help out!

March 24 | Palm Sunday & "One Great Hour of Sharing" (Special Offerings)

**V** SPECIAL OFFERINGS ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

**RPC Weekly Financial Update** RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Worship Attendance 3/3/24:68

Offering Received 3/3/24: \$5,632.00

#### **RPC MARCH MISSION FOCUS** | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund Total collected as of 3/3/24: \$135.00



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

**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 Annette Jackson Rinehart The family of Sherri Rowell The family of Dale Robertson

The family of Karter Wilson The family of Fagin Yancey

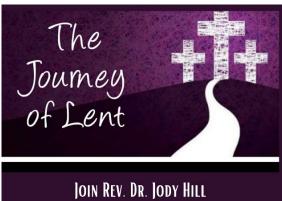
Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents Lorenzo Medford, Laron Shannon, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman.

# THE RPC PANTRY PROJECT

If you want to participate, simply bring any of the items on the provided list  $\mathcal{E}$ 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



WEDNESDAYS AT NOON VIA THE RIPLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

Saturday, March 23 | 10 am until 12 Noon!





SPECIAL OFFERINGS ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Thursday, March 28 | 6:00 pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Tenebrae Service and Communion

MARCH 28 2024 | 6:00 P M

All Are Welcome here

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