MARCH 31, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

GREETING THE GATHERED: HE IS RISEN! ALL: HE IS RISEN INDEED!

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE | "Behold! The King Comes!" | The RPC Bell Choir The Prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please observe silence as the Prelude begins.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP ---*Acts 10: 34-36* Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ---he is Lord of all."

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we ignore the cries of the oppressed, and are indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new,

that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. ---The Book of Common Worship

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the word of the Lord: I am about to create new heavens and a new earth: the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; I will rejoice and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard. --- Isaiah 65:17-19

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

10:30 A.M.

THE FIRST READING | 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 (*NT p.176*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM | "Jerusalem, Behold Your King"

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | Mark 16: 1-8 (NT p. 54)

THE SERMON TITLE | "Resurrection Morning!"

*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 #118

"The Day of Resurrection!"

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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WOMEN Today's beautiful flower arrangement is provided by the RPC/PW to honor the memory of our Presbyterian Women who have passed from this life to their heavenly home.

"The Empty Tomb" display in our Narthex was created & donated to RPC by Lindsey Smith (daughter of David & Kathy Lindsey Smith) in memory of Craig Goolsby (son of Robert & Sharon Goolsby). Lindsey provided the following details relevant to this work. "The stone is made from Limba – an African wood my Grandfather Thomas Lindsey bought in 1975 when he lived in Iceland. The lighter-colored Mary is made from Cypress that my great-great grandfather Til Lindsey cut before 1939. The darker-colored Mary is made from Walnut. The mountain is made from Walnut that came from my great grandfather Shine Lindsey. The Cross is made from Cherry that a customer shared with my Grandfather."

We are grateful to Lindsey and her family for this beautiful artwork & their special way of honoring Craig's memory.

RPC Weekly Financial Update RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Offering Received 3/24/24: \$3,117.00 Worship Attendance 3/24/24:80

RPC MARCH MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Fund Total collected as of 3/24/24: \$1,120.00



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. Total Collected as of 3/24/24: \$550.00

"I LOVE MY RPC FAMILY! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE THOUGHTFUL CARDS, FLOWERS, TODIC WIEF

APPRECIATION. ALSO, THANK YOU ANN GILLMORE FOR YOUR KIND WORDS DURING YOUR PRESENTATION. I AM HONORED AND GRATEFUL.



GOD'S BLESSINGS TO YOU,"

Monya Hill

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Donna Daniel, Becky Smith, Shirley McClain, Laura Hines, Dr. Sharon Enzor, Phil Waldon, Robert Hughes, Melrose Roberson, Tracey Stewart, Josh Smith, Mickey Hill, Kay Clark, Sherry Hill, Larry & Jean Davis, Hannah H. Jones, Baby Parker, Yadira Romo, Darlene Thompson, 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 David James The family of Jeff Clifton The family of Josh Heavener The family of Jennifer Lowery The family of Kennie Foley

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Lorenzo Medford, Laron Shannon, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman



In Honor of Helen Parks, Elizabeth Jordan, Hayes & Ella Stubbs By Mark & Linda Stubbs

In Honor of Our Parents By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Leah & Miles Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of John Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of our Grandparents By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of Dr. Norris Howell, Leon Bailey, Raiford Long, Danny Braddock & Stan Horton *By Benton & Elizabeth Harrell*

In Honor of Brooks & Tatum Hopper By Jenna & Austin Hopper

In Memory of Joan Berryman & Edwina Hurt By Jenna & Austin Hopper

In Memory of Frances Jordan & Joyce Criswell By Jenna & Austin Hopper

In Memory of John Rahija By Connie Rahija

In Memory of Clark C. Sturdivant *By Kathy Sturdivant*



In Honor of our Grandchildren & Great-grandchild By Ann & Hollis Wigington

In Honor of Ann Gillmore By Sharon & Robert Goolsby

In Honor of the members of the "We Care" Committee *By Pat Ledbetter*

In Memory of Ray Gaillard *By Shirley McClain*

In Memory of Dr. Norris Howell By Kenny & Lynn Hill

In Honor of Kyle & Susan Smith By Becky Smith

In Honor of Sue Ellen & Max Miller By Becky Smith

In Memory of Nonerta & Lottie Witt, Gaston & Mary Smith *By Sue Ellen & Max Miller*

In Honor of the Elliott children, Grandchildren & Great-grandchild By Bobby & Anne Elliott

In Memory of Rev. & Mrs. Walter Smith By Bobby & Anne Elliott

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Benton Elliott By Bobby & Anne Elliott



In Honor of Bailey & Sam Steverson *By Diane Bailey*

In Memory of Leon Bailey By Diane Bailey

In Memory of Dr. Norris Howell By Laron Shannon & Shea Scott

In Honor of Laron Shannon & Linda Shannon By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Honor of Jane Cousar By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Scott By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Memory of our Grandparents By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. V.Y. Davis, & Phillip & Sam Mauney By Carol Davis Mauney

In Memory of Buddy Grisham By Garry & Rosemary Reed

In Memory of Rob, Sue & Bobby Nabors By Garry & Rosemary Reed

In Memory of Shirley Reed & Buddy Reed By Garry & Rosemary Reed



In Honor of Rob & Dot Williams, George & Sally Permenter By Fred & Sally Permenter

In Memory of Buddy Grisham *By Terrye Grisham*

In Memory of Jean Ketchum By Betty & Fred Anderson, Courtney & Jimmy Anderson, Sara & Blair Tynes

In Memory of Paul Gillmore *By Ann Gillmore*

In Honor of Jody & Monya Hill *By Ann Gillmore*

~Please pick up your lily after the Easter Worship Service – thank you!