

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP
5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPHIPHANY

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 138: 1-2*

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love
and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"Morning Has Broken"

HYMNAL #469

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty God, we confess that we have taken Your commandments and turned them into rules. We have criticized those who have fallen short and selfishly proclaimed ourselves righteous. We have failed to understand the spirit of the commandments and the way that was shown by You to live, loving God and loving our neighbors. Forgive us for turning Your law into burdens for others and ourselves, instead of a way to love, and freedom in you. In the name of Christ, who has given us the way and leads us on, we pray. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

You are loved. Love is the Way.
When you love God, you love others.
When you truly lay down your life for others, you lay down your life for God.
Give yourself to God by serving others.
Know that in God's love there is forgiveness, healing, and reconciliation.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
ALL: Thanks be to God!

THE FIRST READING | Isaiah 6: 1-8 (*OT p. 635*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | Luke 5: 1-11 (*NT p. 62*)

THE MESSAGE | "Catching People"

***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

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

HYMNAL #370

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.*

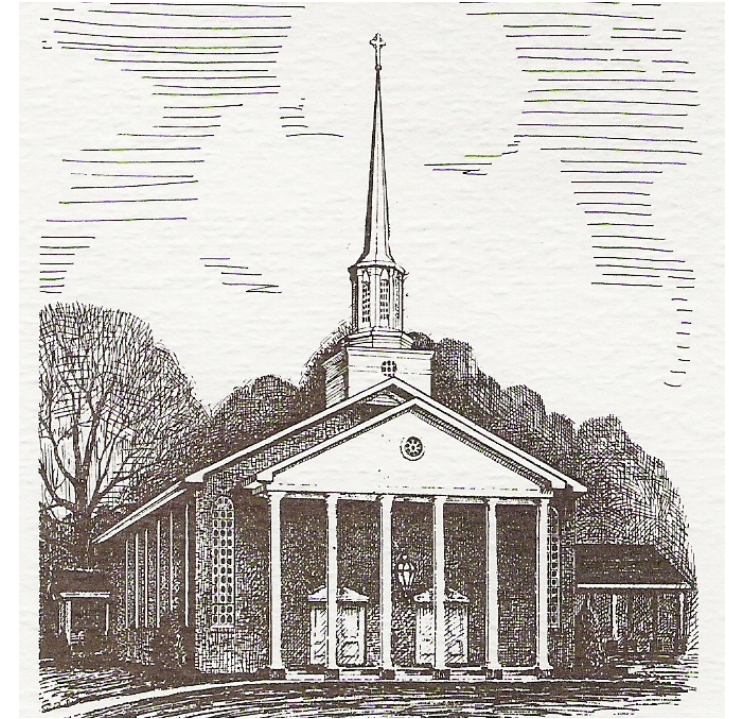
FOR YOUR INFORMATION: The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

RPC Staff

Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor
Jennifer Huddleston | Choir Director
Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist
Sue Ellen Miller | Organist
Blake McGaughy | Handbell Director

RPC 2025 Session Members

Moderator Rev. Dr. Jody Hill
Class of 2027 | Robert Goolsby & Jennifer Huddleston
Class of 2026 | Price Elliott, Vince Jordan, & Ann Wigington
Class of 2025 | Kenny Hill & Dan Adams
Clerk of Session | Lynn Hill



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...

Our lovely floral arrangement is provided by the family of Becky Smith in honor of her birthday (Feb. 7).

Today, February 9 | Session Meeting | 11:30 am



**FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS: "SOUPER BOWL OF CARING / TC GOOD SAM
Total Collected as of 2/2/25: \$625.00**

More than 25 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around the Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Through this mission, young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world – as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

Be part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need.

Please give generously on February 9 (Super Bowl Sunday), & throughout the month of February. Every dollar donated goes to The Tippah County Good Samaritan Center – our 2025 Souper Bowl of Caring charity of choice.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2025 Budget: \$3,517.13 Offering Received 2/2/25: \$7,141.00

Worship Attendance 2/2/25: 65



Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available March 9, 16, 23, & 30.

To provide flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, contact Lynn Hill (lynn@xcavators-inc., or call/text 662-837-6678).

Contributions to the RPC/PW Flower Fund are greatly appreciated.

If you want a particular date to provide flowers on a Sunday morning, please reserve that date with Lynn in advance. Arrangements typically run \$35 each.

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

The recent tragic airline fatalities, Barbara Kirby, Bob Craig, Joey LaBarreare, Sadie Stubbs, Allison Smith, Vince Jordan, John Parks, Anslo Rahija, Randle Beavers, Becky Montgomery, Tommy Benson, Rev. Bill Connolly and New Prospect Presbyterian Church, Tootie Rainey, Kenny James, Barbara Waldon, Sherry Hill, Ginger Britt, Mickey Hill, Jerry Henson, Kaye Smith (Benton Elliott's mother), Caleb McAlister, Paulette Campbell, Trent Rogan, Martha Reid, Teresa Rhea, Don Heavener, Leanna Davis, Max Evans, Larry Cooper, Anita Decker, Charles & Betty Holland, Jennifer Childs, Kathy Williams, David Adams, Bradford Hopper, John Walker, Helen Beavers, Eddie Drewery, Tina Bonds, Rita Witt, Mary Lesterston, Donald Stubenrauch, (relatives of Randle Beavers), Shirley Huddleston, Randle & Sue Huddleston, Talana Flake, Pembroke Bonham, William Bonham, Hank Nelson (infant), Carl Witt, David Morrow, Donna Daniel, Laura Hines, Robert Hughes, Hannah H. Jones, Deanna Hartman, Jane Tisdale, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, 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 Greg Harrell

The family of Jamie Moody

Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Carl Nance, III, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

THE RPC PANTRY PROJECT

If you want to participate, simply bring any of the items on the provided list & drop them off at the church office with Lynn Hill. Please remember this is a continuing ministry for our church; we will continue to post this list until we are re-stocked. Monetary donations are also welcomed!

Food	
Ramen Noodles	Macaroni & Cheese
Spaghetti Noodles/Boxed Pasta	Canned Sloppy Joe Mix (Manwich, etc.)
Rice	Canned Pasta Sauce
Oatmeal/Non-Flavored	Peanut Butter
Canned Soup	Jelly
Canned Ravioli/Spaghetti O's	Nabs
Canned Vegetables (Corn, Green Beans, Green Peas, Black Eyed Peas, Baked Beans, etc).	Individual serving packs of: Goldfish crackers, mini-packs of cookies, crackers, Fig Newtons, Oreos, etc.
Self-Rising Flour	Sugar
Powdered Milk	Tea Bags/Decaffeinated
Baby Water	Hamburger Helper
Bottled Water	Kool-Aid pre-sweetened packs

Bingo Prizes for Diversicare

Capri Suns or Mini Canned drinks
 Variety packs of chips
 Individually wrapped snack cakes
 Cookies (individual packs)
 Mini candy bars
 Lollipops
 Peanut Butter Nabs



RPC & Diversicare | An Opportunity to Serve!

RPC has an opportunity to serve the residents of Diversicare in a really fun way!
 The staff hosts Bingo games for the residents, and we can help provide prizes. If you would like to help, just drop off your purchases at the RPC Office with Lynn, or the Kudzu/Shark radio station with Melinda Marsalis.

The RPC Organ Maintenance & Upgrade Fund

This special fund is designated toward the maintenance and much-needed upgrades for our pipe organ – one of the very few still in use in the state of Mississippi. If you would like to contribute toward this fund in honor or memory of an individual, or simply offer a donation, please make out your check to “Ripley Presbyterian Church” and write “RPC Organ Fund” in the memo line.