

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

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.
We invite you to observe quiet reflection when the prelude begins.*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP | *Genesis 2: 15-17*

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.
And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;
but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat,
for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #81

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God,
We come before You today with open hearts, acknowledging the ways we have strayed from
Your path. We confess that in moments of weakness, we have chosen the easier road instead
of following Your truth. We have allowed the distractions of the world to pull us away from
Your guidance, and at times, we have failed to trust in Your plan.
Forgive us, O Lord, for the times we have given in to temptation, and for the times we have
failed to stand firm in our faith. Strengthen us in this season of Lent, that we may turn to You
in our struggles, and find the courage to follow the path You have set before us.
May Your Word be a light to guide us, and Your Spirit be a strength to sustain us.
In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)
As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. (Psalm 103:12)
Friends, I declare unto you in the name of Jesus Christ: You are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

THE FIRST READING | Romans 5: 12-19 (*NT p. 156*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | Matthew 4: 1-11 (*NT p. 3*)

THE MESSAGE | "The Temptation of Jesus"

*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 HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #370

"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

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.

Church Membership at RPC

At Ripley Presbyterian Church, we joyfully welcome all who place their trust in God's grace through Jesus Christ and who desire to share in the fellowship and ministry of His church. Membership is open to all who profess faith, and no one shall be excluded for any reason other than a refusal to do so. The Gospel compels us to extend Christ's fellowship to all people; to withhold that welcome is to reject Christ himself and bring scandal to the Gospel. If you would like to explore church membership at RPC, Pastor Jody would be honored to walk with you in beginning that journey today.

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 | Chancel Choir Director

Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

Sue Ellen Miller | Organist

Blake McGaughy | Handbell Choir Director

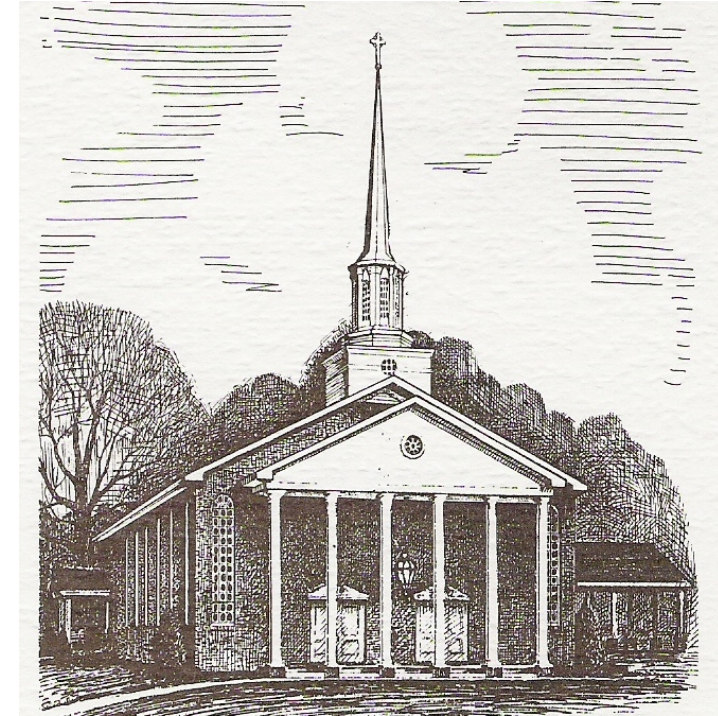
Shea Scott | Christian Ed./Young Disciples & Youth

RPC Wifi | "Guest" | guest1234

Ripley Presbyterian Church now has another option for Giving & Tithes.

Tithely Giving is an easy-to-use platform that will allow you to give online &/or on your phone.

Simply scan the QR Code below, or download the Tithely app, or go to our website (ripleypresbyterianchurch.com) and click on Giving & Tithes.



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...

The beautiful floral arrangement today is given to the glory of God and in memory of John Harrell by Benton & Elizabeth Elliott.

Today, February 22 | Children’s Church & Young Disciples TC Good Samaritan Offering

Today, February 22 | Choir Practice | 4:00 pm

Today, February 22 | Bell Choir Practice | 5:00 pm



Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29.

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

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



**FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS: “SOUPER BOWL OF CARING / TC GOOD SAM
Goal: \$1,000.00. Total Collected as of 2/15/26: \$575.00**

**This is our last Sunday for this mission focus – please give generously!
Every dollar donated goes to The Tippah County Good Samaritan Center – our 2026 Souper Bowl of Caring charity of choice.**

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2026 Budget: \$3,933.58 Offering Received 2/15/26: \$1,590.00
Worship Attendance 2/15/26: 47

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Judy Austin, Faye Lusk (Leigh-Ann Hill’s grandmother) Cheryl & Keith Thurmond, Vince Jordan, Sherry Farrell, Beth Shephard Hunt, David Holten, Gary King, Mack McElwain, Jan Roberson, Ann Jumper Miller, Freddy Daniel, Tommy Benson, Calvin Austin, Jewel Byrd, Hank Nelson, Eddie McCafferty, Ron Jackson, Stacy Gossett, Sadie Downs, Lonnie Goolsby, Sandra Bolton, Marsha Lavender, Sherry Hill, Marilyn Harrell, Frank Shepherd, William Shields, Lacey Strunk, Barbara McElwain, Angie & Rickey Beavers, Grevil Flores, Rhonda Jackson, Liz Rutherford, Doug Norton, Rita & Carl Witt, Polly Calvary, Sophie Taylor, Danielle Smith, Bobby Childers, Jimmy Willingham, John Parks, Barbara Kirby, Rev. Bill Connolly, Jerry Henson, Kaye Smith, Trent Rogan, Teresa Rhea, John Walker, Helen Beavers, Pembroke Bonham, David Morrow, Laura Hines, Hannah H. Jones, Deanna Hartman, Jackie Cooksey, 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 Kathy Norton
The family of Jim Braddock

The family of Shan Grisham
The family of Betty Holland

Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Bob Craig, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

