

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

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

THE CALL TO WORSHIP | *Psalm 112: 1-2*

Praise the LORD!

Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments.  
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

**"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"**

**HYMNAL #288**

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 GLORIA PATRI**

**HYMNAL #579**

THE FIRST READING | 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 (NT p. 166)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | Matthew 5: 13-20 & Isaiah 58: 1-9a (NT p. 4 & OT p. 688)

THE MESSAGE | "Salt and Light"

**\*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 #210**

**"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"**

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

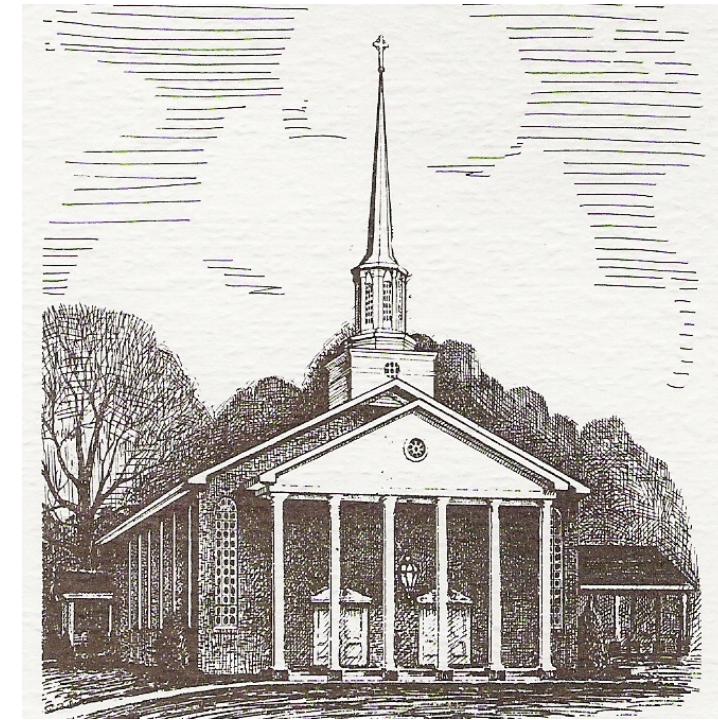
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**Ripley Presbyterian Church now has another option for Giving & Tithes.**

**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](http://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.

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**Please Note...**

*The beautiful floral arrangement today is given to the glory of God and in honor of Becky Smith on the occasion of her birthday (Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>), by her loving family.*

Today, February 8 | Children's Church

February 9 | RPC/PW Bible Study will NOT meet. See you in March!



**FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS: "SOUPER BOWL OF CARING / TC GOOD SAM**  
**Goal: \$1,000.00**

In 1990, 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 \$220 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, foot 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 8 (Super Bowl Sunday), & throughout the month of February. 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 1/18/26: \$1,567.00

Worship Attendance 1/18/26: 63

*In-person worship was suspended January 25 & February 1 because of Winter Storm Fern.*

**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.*

**PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS**

Our TEPA Employees, City & County Employees, All Tippah County First Responders, & those without power & utilities, Sherry Farrell, Beth Shephard Hunt, David Holten, Gary King, Mack McElwain, Jan Roberson, Ann Jumper Miller, Freddy Daniel, Tommy Benson, Calvin Austin, Kathy Norton, Jewel Byrd, Jim Braddock, 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, Randle Beavers, Lucy Watkins, Kristy Huddleston, Polly Calvary, Sophie Taylor, Danielle Smith, Bobby Childers, Vince Jordan, Wayne Stevenson, Jimmy Willingham, John Parks, Barbara Kirby, Bob Craig, 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 Imogene Hardon

The family of Tony Hollis

**Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents**

Betty Holland, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

