

MARCH 15, 2026

**MORNING WORSHIP**

10:30 A.M.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

5TH 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 | *Psalm 130: 1, 2, 5*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!  
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

**“This is My Father’s World”**

HYMNAL #293

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,  
whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness  
of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts  
and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you,  
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength;  
through Jesus Christ your Son.**                      *– The Book of Common Worship, 1993*

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving kindness.  
He has not dealt with us according to our sin, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.  
For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his loving kindness  
toward those who fear Him.  
As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.  
*--Psalm 103: 8, 10-12*

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

THE FIRST READING | Ezekiel 37: 1-14 (*OT p. 806*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | John 11: 1-45 (*NT p. 104*)

THE MESSAGE | “The Raising of Lazarus”

\*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

**“How Great Thou Art”**

HYMNAL #467

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.

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 honor of Shea Scott for her dedication for our Young Disciples, by Dan & Kate Adams.*

Today, March 22 | Children's Church & Young Disciples TC Good Sam Offering.  
Today, March 22 | RPC Easter Egg Hunt (see insert for details!)  
Today, March 22 | Choir Practice | 4:00 pm  
Today, March 22 | Bell Choir Practice | 5:00 pm  
Sunday, March 29 | Palm Sunday Service

Reminder: If you would like to purchase an Easter lily, please fill out the insert and place in the offering plate today.

**MARCH MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**

Goal: \$500.00. Total Collected as of 3/15/26: \$625.00.



**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, World Food Program, Red Cross, FEMA, and others.

**RPC Weekly Financial Update**

RPC Weekly 2026 Budget: \$3,933.58    Offering Received 3/15/26: \$3,167.00  
Worship Attendance 3/15/26: 75



**Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31.**

*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**

Martha Reid, Vince Jordan, Merle Norton, Sandy Muse, Judy Austin, Faye Lusk (Leigh-Ann Hill's grandmother) Sherry Farrell, Beth Shephard Hunt, David Holten, Gary King, Jan Roberson, Ann Jumper Miller, Freddy Daniel, 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....**

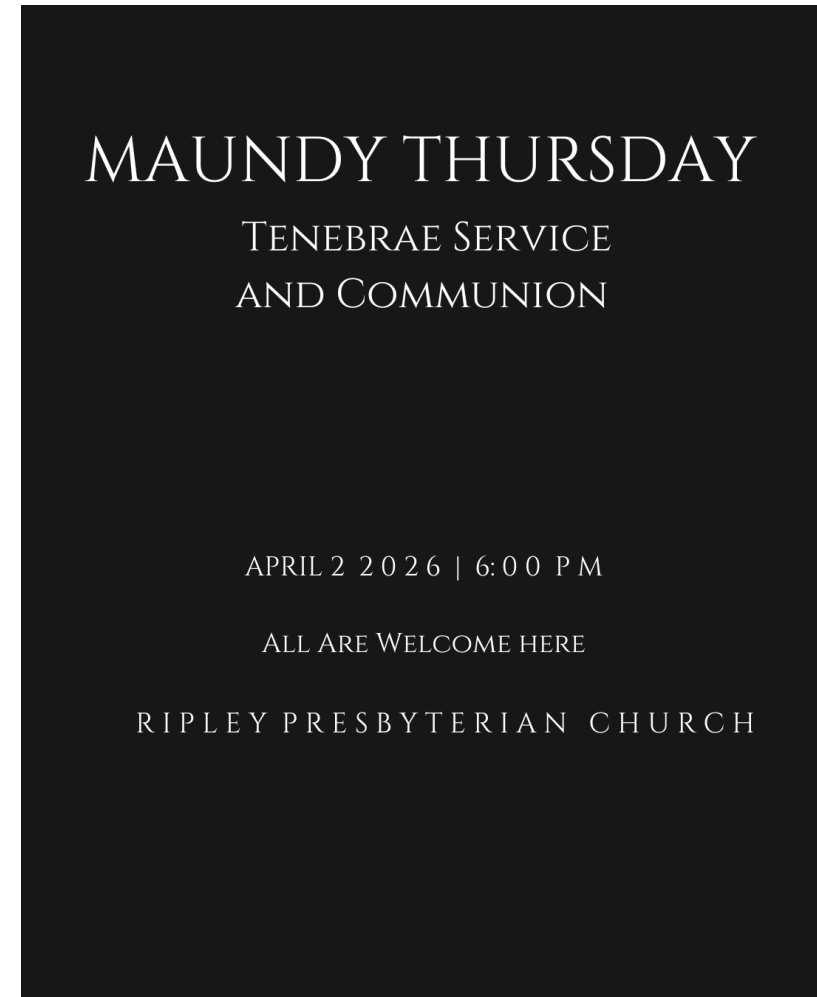
The family of Lucy Watkins (Shirley McClain's sister)  
The family of Tommy Benson  
The family of Mack McElwain

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

Bob Craig, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman



*Young Disciples will gather in the Narthex at 10:25 am to get ready for the procession of palms.*



*Communion Prep Team | Diane Bailey, Sue Ellen & Max Miller, Terrye Grisham, & Melinda Marsalis*

