

MARCH 8, 2026

**MORNING WORSHIP**

10:30 A.M.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

3RD 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 95: 1 & 7*

O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #466

**“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**We confess that we have sacrificed Your goodness for material goods.  
We have meditated on our problems instead of meditating on Your promises.  
We have shunned Your faithful love by seeking solace in sinful places.  
We humbly seek Your mercy, O Lord.  
Please forgive our rebellion and ignorance, our wayward hearts and loose tongues.  
Restore us, O Lord, to the joy of Your salvation and make us willing to obey You.  
Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?  
God, who did not withhold the Beloved Son, but gave him up for all of us.  
Will God not also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God’s elect?  
It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised,  
who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. -- Romans 8: 31-34

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

THE FIRST READING | Romans 5: 1-11 (*NT p. 155*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | John 4: 5-42 (*NT p. 94*)

THE MESSAGE | “The Woman at the Well”

\*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

**“Here I Am, Lord”**

HYMNAL #525

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](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 by the Ripley Presbyterian Women.*

Today, March 8 | Children's Church after Young Disciples time.  
Today, March 8 | Choir Practice | 4:00 pm  
Today, March 8 | Bell Choir Practice | 5:00 pm  
Mon., March 9 | RPC/PW Bible Study | 10:00 am  
Leader: Mary Ann Brown

**MARCH MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**  
Goal: \$500.00. Total Collected as of 3/1/26: \$300.00.



**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 3/1/26: \$9,323.98  
Worship Attendance 3/1/26: 63



**Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available March 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**

Mark Wallis, jo & Richard Todd, Paula Jordan, Vince Jordan, Merle Norton, Sandy Muse, Judy Austin, Faye Lusk (Leigh-Ann Hill's grandmother) 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 Kathryn McCafferty

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

Bob Craig, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

**The RPC Easter Egg Hunt | Sunday March 22, 2026**

Yes, we changed the date in order to keep Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> as a “back-up” in case of rainy weather.

Please RSVP to Shea Scott, Sue Ellen Miller, or Kate Adams if you & your children, grandchildren, etc., plan to attend. Last day to RSVP is MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>. We need a head count for children & adults!

We need help “stuffing” eggs! If you’d like to help out, please pick up a bag of eggs, “stuff” with a treat (no chocolate, please! It melts!), and return to RPC by March 15th.



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