

MAY 3, 2026

**MORNING WORSHIP**

10:30 A.M.

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

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 31: 3, 5, 16*

You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me...

Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

**HYMNAL #376**

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord God, in light of your glory, we see the evil we have done, the suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we have denied.**

**Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with your grace, so that we may follow our way and tell the good news of the gospel. Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Therefore, since we are justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ---Romans 5: 1-2

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI**

**HYMNAL #579**

THE FIRST READING | 1 Peter 2: 2-10 (*NT p. 233*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | John 14: 1-14 (*NT p. 108*)

THE MESSAGE | "The Way, the Truth, the Life"

**\*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**

**"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"**

**HYMNAL #438**

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

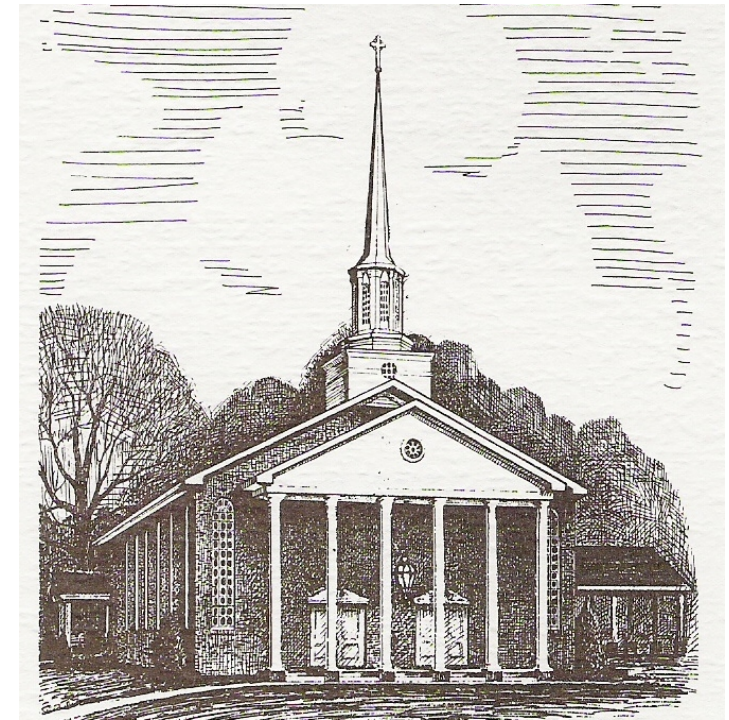
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**Ripley Presbyterian Church now has another option for Giving & Tithes.**

**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 by the Presbyterian Women.*

Today, Sunday, May 3 | Session Meeting | 11:30 am  
Today, Sunday, May 3 | Choir Practice | 4:00 pm  
Sunday, May 10 | Mother’s Day & Children’s Church  
May 11 | RPC/PW Bible Study | 10 am | Leader: Jo Todd  
Sunday, May 17 | Senior Recognition Sunday | Ryan Scott | RHS

Young Disciples TC Good Samaritan Offering for April is \$367.25! Thank you!

**APRIL MISSION FOCUS | Ripley Boys & Girls Club**  
**Goal: \$500. Final total collected: \$1,160.00! Thank you!**



**MAY MISSION FOCUS | The RPC Benevolence Fund**

This fund is designated for Tippah County citizens who request assistance from RPC with their Tippah Electric Power bill, and RPC congregational needs. **Although it was formerly a monthly "Mission Focus", this fund is now open for donations year-round in order to serve our congregational needs if & when they arise.**

**Please help us replenish the “prize cabinet” at Diversicare!**  
Drop off your donations at RPC on Sunday, or any time during office hours – thank you!

**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



**A Note of Thanks...**

*“Dear RPC Family,  
We would like to thank you for the love and support we have received through your cards, texts, and prayers during this difficult time of loss for our family. We are so thankful to be a part of such a warm and loving church.  
With love, Dan and Kate”*

**RPC Weekly Financial Update**

RPC Weekly 2026 Budget: \$3,933.58    Offering Received 4/26/26: \$3,105.00  
Worship Attendance 4/26/26: 70

**Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available June 7, 14, 21, & 28.**

*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.*

**RPC PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS**

Myra Hill McKee, Betty C. Hill, John Mark Holliday & family, Dr. Megan Stanford, Mikayla & Trent Myers, Donna McGaughy, Beckett Dees, Linda Pugh (niece of Mary Buchanan), Commander Christopher Michael Davis and the crew aboard the USS Tripoli & USS Boxer (Ann Gillmore’s friend’s nephew), Billy Tisdale, Sandy Muse, Judy & Calvin Austin, Faye Lusk (Leigh-Ann Hill’s grandmother), Beth Shephard Hunt, Gary King, Jan Roberson, Freddy Daniel, Jewel Byrd, Hank Nelson, Eddie McCafferty, Ron Jackson, Sadie Downs, Sandra Bolton, Lacey Strunk, Barbara McElwain, Angie & Rickey Beavers, Grevil Flores, Rhonda Jackson Smith, 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, Teresa Rhea, John Walker, Helen Beavers, David Morrow, Laura Hines, Hannah H. Jones, Deanna Hartman, Jackie Cooksey, Ali Rae Barkley, 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 Savannah Good

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

Bob Craig, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

