

MAY 26, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

TRINITY SUNDAY

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. Please observe silence as the Prelude begins.*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP ---*John 3: 16-17*

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.
Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #485

“To God Be the Glory”

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Triune God, You gather, protect, and care for us, your beloved, through Word and Spirit.
This you have done from the beginning of the world and will do to the end.
Have mercy upon us and forgive us for sinning against you.
We have not loved one another as we should, we have not sown the seeds of gospel hope,
we have not been present for worship. Restore us, Lord.
May we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another,
that we may truly share one faith, have one calling, and be of one soul and one mind.
For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Adapted from the Belhar Confession, Sections 1 & 2

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

And Jesus has come to you and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the
Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.
And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” *Matthew 28: 18-20*

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

*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

THE FIRST READING | Isaiah 6: 1-8 (*OT p. 635*)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | Romans 8: 12-17 (*NT p. 158*)

THE MESSAGE | “Children of God”

*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 DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER WITH OUR LORD’S PRAYER

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #276

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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.

Profession of Faith with the Pastor

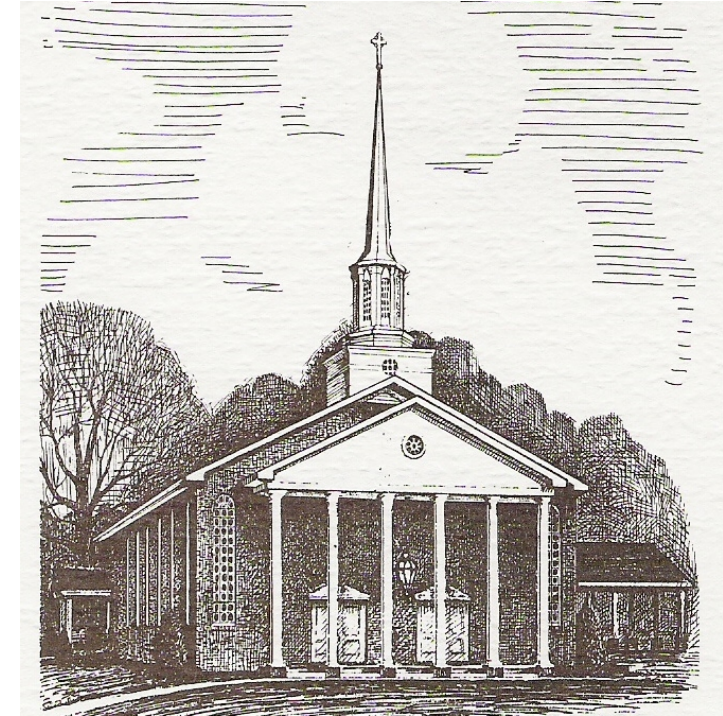
*If you have never made a profession of faith and asked Christ
to be the Lord of your life, Pastor Jody will be happy to help you begin that journey today.
He is available to meet in the Pastor's Study each Sunday immediately following
worship to discuss the gift of salvation God has prepared for us all.
Just ask him during greeting time after worship if he has a few minutes to talk.*

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 | Choir Director
Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist
Sue Ellen Miller | Organist

RPC 2024 Session Members
Moderator Rev. Dr. Jody Hill
Class of 2026 | Price Elliott, Vince Jordan, & Ann Wigington
Class of 2025 | Kenny Hill
Class of 2024 | Bobby Elliott & Shea Scott
Clerk of Session | Lynn Hill

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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...

*Our lovely flower arrangement is provided today by Chris Marsalis,
“In thanks to God for bringing us together—our 24th anniversary (May 27th).”*

Sunday June 9 | RPC welcomes Ripley native Mary Beth (McMillin) Sharman to worship with us and to share information regarding Mission Haven, our June Mission Focus. (See details for Mission Haven in the bulletin.)

The RPC Organ Maintenance & Upgrade Fund

This special fund is designated toward the maintenance and much-needed upgrades for our pipe organ—one of the very few still in use in the state of Mississippi. In the following weeks, we will provide the history of our organ & an overview of the upgrades needed. If you would like to contribute toward this fund in honor or memory of an individual, or simply offer a donation, please make out your check to “Ripley Presbyterian Church” and write “RPC Organ Fund” in the memo line.

RPC Organ History (Part Two)

The Wicks organ was purchased originally with the plan to move it to the new sanctuary when such facility would eventually be constructed. It was hoped to enlarge the organ after it had been moved. The new sanctuary was built and dedicated in 1980. During the year 1988, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Ballard died at Tupelo. In that she had been raised in the Ripley Presbyterian Church and maintained a love for its ministry and people, she left a legacy to the church which was used to begin the fund for enlarging the organ. During 1991, Ella Hall Tatum died. The same year, her son, Danny Peyton Tatum died. The Tatum family requested that all gifts contributed to the church in their memories be deposited in the organ expansion fund. Subsequently, the Tatum family contributed the additional money which was needed to complete the project. The total cost of the organ expansion was in excess of \$28,000.00. Therefore, the organ expansion is in memory of Mrs. Ballard, Mrs. Tatum and Danny Tatum. A bronze plate indicating this is installed on the wall near the organ console.

When the original organ was moved into the new sanctuary, it was a 4 rank instrument consisting of 244 pipes. These pipes represented flue, strings, trumpet and principal ranks. The present expansion added 5 new ranks of pipes including an additional flue, celeste and a three-rank mixture. Other features provided by the expansion are swell-to-great, swell-to-pedal and great-to-pedal couplers. The organ received a new combination action which enables the organist to pre-set the desired stops.

The expansion has broadened the instrument's ability to accompany worship services and to provide a more excellent variety of sounds for recitals. Ed and Anita Ludlow served as consultants. The organ builder was David Finch of Florala, Alabama.

From “Ripley Presbyterian Church, 1837-1997
A History in Word and Pictures”
compiled by Billie M. Pickens



Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates are available June 30 & July 7, 21 & 28

To provide flowers in memory/honor of a loved one, contact Lynn Hill (lynn@xcavators-inc., or call/text 662-837-6678). Contributions to the RPC/PW Flower Fund are greatly appreciated. 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.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Offering Received 5/19/24: \$3,744.00
Worship Attendance 5/19/24: 75

RPC MAY MISSION FOCUS | Pastor's Discretionary / TEPA Assistance Fund

Goal: \$500

Total Collected as of 5/19/24: \$1,225.00

This fund is designated for Tippah County citizens who request assistance from RPC with their Tippah Electric Power bill.

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Kathleen Williams, Starke Farrell, Kenneth Hill, Rev. Dr. Jody Hill, Hank Nelson (infant), John Wall, Jamie Wall, Carl Witt, Shirley Huddleston, David Morrow, Donna Daniel, Laura Hines, Dr. Sharon Enzor, Robert Hughes, Melrose Roberson, Tracey Stewart, Mickey Hill, Kay Clark, Sherry Hill, Hannah H. Jones, Baby Parker, Yadira Romo, Darlene Thompson, Emily Newton, Jason Hall, Donnie Cousar, Gunner Duncan, Deanna Hartman, Jane Tisdale, Freddy Daniel, Sam Buchanan, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Carolyn Dickerson Burge, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, Anne Elliott, 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 Larry D. Davis
The family of Dolores Quattro

Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Lorenzo Medford, Laron Shannon, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman