MORNING WORSHIP **OCTOBER 6, 2024** 

10:30 A.M.

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 --- Job 2:3

The LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job?

There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason."

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

**HYMNAL** #473

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

## THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

## THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

For while we were still weak, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly. This proves God's love for us: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. -- Romans 5: 6, 8, 9

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

\*THE GLORIA PATRI HYMNAL #579

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE SERMON TEXT | Mark 10: 2-16 (NT p. 46)

THE MESSAGE | "Let the Little Children Come to Me"

## \*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 CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

# The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

The Communion of the People

**Prayer After Communion** 

Book of Common Worship

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament,
You have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life.
So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #304

"Jesus Loves Me"

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.

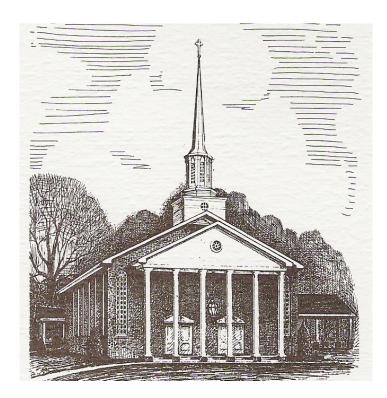
If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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.



# 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 floral arrangement is provided in honor & appreciation of Rev. Dr. Jody Hill by the RPC "We Care" Committee, on the occasion of his birthday.

Today, October 6 | World Communion Sunday

Today, October 6 | RPC Handbell Choir Practice | 5:00 pm

October 13 | Choir Practice | 5:00 pm Bell Choir | 6:00 pm

October 20 | Elder Nominating Committee Meeting | 11:30 am



Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates are available November 3rd, 10, 17th & 24th.

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 9/29/24: \$2,356.00

Worship Attendance 9/29/24: 66



## **OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE**

RPC OCTOBER MISSION FOCUS | Presbyterian Disaster Assistance | Hurricane Relief *GOAL*: *OPEN* 

These funds will be used to provide aid to all those impacted by Hurricane Helene. The PDA has teams on the ground in both Florida & North Carolina.

#### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

All of those whose lives have been impacted by Hurricane Helene, Larry Cooper, Randle Beavers, Tommy Benson, DeeDee Smith, Chris Bradford (husband of Jennifer Cadle Bradford), Lamon McClain, Anita Decker, Ray Henderson, Charles & Betty Holland, James Arnold Horton, David Quinn, Phillip Verdung, Carl Nance III, Jennifer Childs, Theresa Carter, Kenneth Hill, Joey Mauney, Joyce Barnett, Greg Harrell, Kathy Williams, Jean Butler, David Adams, Bradford Hopper, John Walker (Cathy Dunaway's grandson), Mickey Hill, Merle Norton, Jan Robertson, Helen Beavers, Margie Sharp, Eddie Drewery, Ruby Bridges, Tina Bonds, Rita Witt, Mary Lesterston, Donald Stubenrauch, (relatives of Randle Beavers), Shirley Huddleston, Randle & Sue Huddleston, Talana Flake, Pembroke Bonham, William Bonham, Hank Nelson (infant), Jamie Wall, Carl Witt, David Morrow, Donna Daniel, Laura Hines, Dr. Sharon Enzor, Robert Hughes, Tracey Stewart, Hannah H. Jones, Gunner Duncan, Deanna Hartman, Jane Tisdale, Freddy Daniel, Jackie Cooksey, Helen Parks, Brad Sullivan, Wayne Steverson, 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 Tommy Covington
The family of Barry Cummings (husband of Marilyn Shankles Cummings)
The family of Joan Boyd
The family of Edward Lamar Moffitt, Sr.

# Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman

# 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. 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.

#### Contributors include:

Chris Marsalis

Ginger Britt

*Kyle Smith* 

Beth Kuykendall

Brennan Butler

John Braddock

Barry Cook

Robert & Sharon Goolsby

Shirley McClain

Mike & Illene Carter

Dan & Kate Adams

Tommy Covington (In memory of Sara Emma McAlister)

Max & Sue Ellen Miller (In memory of Sara Emma McAlister & Ed Ludlow,

and in honor of Anita Ludlow)

Dr. Charles Elliott (Memorials for Lorenzo Medford & Laron Shannon)

Pat Ledbetter (Memorials for Lorenzo Medford & Laron Shannon)

Betty & Gary King

Jane Cousar

Jo & Richard Todd

Shea Scott (In Honor of the RPC/PW Bereavement Meal Group)

# **September Memorials**

Dr. Charles Elliott In Memory of Laron Shannon In Memory of Laron Shannon Pat Ledbetter Becky Smith *In Memory of Laron Shannon* In Memory of Laron Shannon Pat Hopper Sue Ellen & Max Miller In Memory of Laron Shannon In Memory of Laron Shannon Gary & Betty King Judy Heavener, Holly Fortier, Freddie B. Fortier In Memory of Laron Shannon In Memory of Laron Shannon Kenny & Lynn Hill Fred & Sally Permenter In Memory of Laron Shannon Lynne Howell In Memory of Laron Shannon Diane Bailey In Memory of Laron Shannon In Memory of Laron Shannon Mary Ann Brown



The Gregg Center will be open Oct. 21-Oct 24 Noon, if you would like to come by & set up your table! It will also be open after worship on the 27<sup>th</sup> until 4 pm, if you want to wait until then.

Tables & coverings will be provided.

Come join us for an evening of fun, food & fellowship!