MORNING WORSHIP **NOVEMBER 24, 2024**

10:30 A.M.

CHRIST THE KING

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 --- Psalm 126: 1-2

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;

then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #559

"We Gather Together"

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious Father, in this season of thanksgiving, remind us of the truth that every good and perfect gift comes from You. God, we admit that even in our moment of gratitude, we fall short. We feel thankful for the gifts without acknowledging the Giver.

We praise the beautiful creation around us without drawing close to the Creator.

We sing about our salvation without glorifying You - our Savior.

Forgive us.

Remind us, oh God, that any good we experience is only a glimpse of Your character. That any blessing is only a foretaste of what You have in store for those who put their hope in

You. And that even our lives- the very breath in our lungs- is only there because of Your deep love for us. God, reveal Yourself to us in every good gift, and give us eyes to see You in them.

In Christ's holy Name we pray. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | ---Romans 5: 1 -2

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.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

*THE GLORIA PATRI HYMNAL #579 THE FIRST READING | 1 Timothy 2: 1-7 (NT p. 208)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE ANTHEM

THE SERMON TEXT | Matthew 6: 25-33 (NT p. 6)

THE MESSAGE | "Don't Worry, Be Thankful"

*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 #551

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

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.

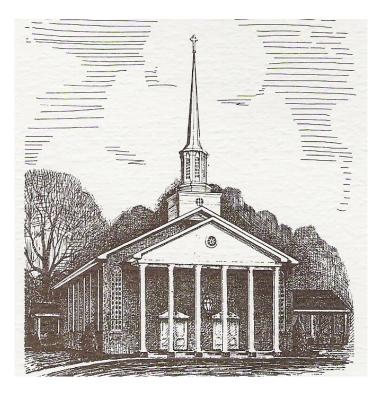
If you are passing through, Godspeed;
if you are looking for a home, stay here;
if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you.
We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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.

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Please Note...

Our lovely floral arrangement is provided in honor of Monya Hill by Kenny & Lynn Hill, on the occasion of her birthday.

Reminder--Today is the last day to order poinsettias! (See bulletin insert.)

Blue Offering Envelopes will be ready for pickup in the narthex on Dec. 15th. Everyone who has used them before has been taken care of; however, if you would like a box, please let Lynn Hill know as soon as possible. These are free to our congregation.

Today, November 24 | Communion

Please note time changes for this afternoon's practices....

Today, November 24 | "Lessons & Carols" choir practice | 4:00 pm

Today, November 24 | RPC Bell Choir practice | 5:00 pm

Tonight, November 24 | Community Thanksgiving Service

RPC has been invited to attend the annual Community Thanksgiving service that will be hosted at First Methodist Church this year. There will be a fellowship meal at 6PM (guests are invited to bring a covered dish). The worship service will start at 7PM and will include an offering for the TC Good Samaritan Center. This service is traditionally rotated among the downtown congregations and First Baptist will be the church host in 2026.

The RPC Office will be closed Nov. 27 & 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement dates available January 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th.

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.

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.



RPC NOVEMBER MISSION FOCUS | Tippah County Good Samaritan Center

Goal: \$750.00

Total collected as of 11/17/24: \$1,115.00

TC Good Samaritan serves some 600 families and 1,000 individuals per month.

RPC Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2024 Budget: \$3,148.67 Offering Received 11/17/24: \$4,324.00

Worship Attendance 11/17/24: 76

PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Richard Todd, Kaye Smith (Benton Elliot's mother), Ellie Mauney, Caleb McAlister, Paulette Campbell, Trent Rogan, Spencer Anderson (4 yr old grandson of Tommy & Nell Hill), Martha Reid, Kevin Orman, Teresa Rhea, Don Heavener, Gary Rabe, Leanna Davis (Mike Parker's daughter), Max Evans, John Parks, Larry Cooper, Randle Beavers, Chris Bradford, Anita Decker, Ray Henderson, Charles & Betty Holland, David Quinn, Phillip Verdung, Carl Nance III, Jennifer Childs, Joey Mauney, Greg Harrell, Kathy Williams, Jean Butler, David Adams, Bradford Hopper, John Walker (Cathy Dunaway's grandson), Mickey Hill, Jan Robertson, Helen Beavers, Margie Sharp, Eddie Drewery, 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, 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 Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman