

The Ripley Reminder



RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Service Times

Sunday Bible Study..... 9:30 AM

Sunday Morning 10:20 AM

Sunday Evening 5:00 PM

Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM

MINISTERS

Dr. Donnie DeBord...

Cole Chapman

Tucker Shappley

ELDERS

David Cook

Michael Harrison

Mark Martindale

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Ronald Chapman

Rob Elliott

Shane Green

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REVIVE 2025

February 1, 2025

**It is time for revival.
What can we do?**

Guiding God's People

Schedule

God's Blueprint for Leadership in a Chaotic World

Josh Ketchum at 3:30

Explores God's design for church leadership in uncertain times, emphasizing providence and love as foundational.

Holding to Truth: God's Light Amid Religious Confusion

Rick Brumback at 4:00

Discusses navigating theological diversity with scriptural clarity to maintain gospel truth in congregations.

Finding God's Peace In Struggles the Struggles of Leadership

Josh Ketchum at 4:30

Focuses on finding peace amidst leadership challenges through Christ's comfort and strength.

Leading with Purpose: God's Vision for Shepherding

Rick Brumback at 5:00

Centers on shepherding with compassion, integrity, and vision to guide people towards Christ.

Fostering a Flourishing Church: God's Model for Growth

Billy Smith at 5:30

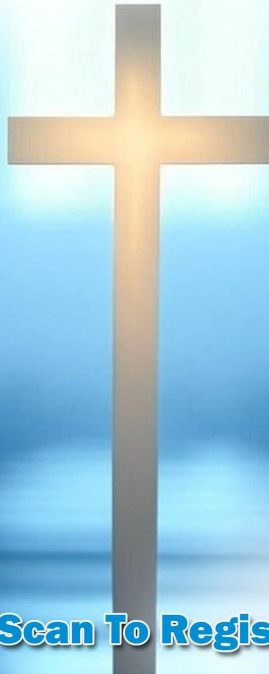
Discusses church growth in terms of faith, discipleship, and community rather than just numbers.

Dinner at 6

Renewing Joy: Inspiring Devotion and Worship in the Church

Billy Smith after dinner talk in fellowship hall

Aims to revive joy in worship, transforming it from a task into a heartfelt devotion.



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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE:

THOSE CRAZY GROUND SQUIRRELS

He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things. (Romans 8:32)

Squirrels hibernate in the winter and come out to the sunshine in the springtime. It is fun to watch them scurry back and forth from one hole to another while others stand watch like tiny

sentries on the lookout for predators.

A groundskeeper at a golf club near our home told me years ago that the little critters had to be removed because they dug holes in the fairways and the greens. He said if he could, he would have chased the animals away, destroyed their holes and forced them to settle elsewhere.

So, it is with God. He may break our comfortable nests now and then but behind every difficult challenge and change lies His love and eternal purpose. He is not cruel toward us; He is working for our eternal good (Rom. 8:28). He wants us to be “conformed to the image of His Son.” (Romans 8:29) and to provide us with joyous enjoyment in heaven forever.

How can we fear change when it comes from someone whose love for us never changes?

My Minute's Up! James A. Horton



LET'S TAKE A MINUTE:

THE DAY OF OUR LIBERATION

“For me to live is Christ and to die is gain.” (Phillipians 1:21)

The ironclad vessel, Monitor, sank in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of North Carolina on December 31, 1862. In the last few years, the engine was removed and placed in the Mariner Museum in Newport News, Virginia. It is in a special solution to slow the deterioration of time to prepare it for a lengthy restoration process.

Our bodies are no different than the Monitor. Disease and old age rob us of strength and former glory. The Apostle Paul said: “My little children, Of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,” (Gal, 4:19) It is all a part of the transition we are making to our eternal home in heaven.

Physical illness and suffering may not be the only source of pain and suffering. The secret to commitment can be found in Paul’s practice of comparing the present with the future. Temporary trials mean nothing when we compare them to the glory of eternal life.

Cheer up! Freedom is not far away. On OUR LIBERATION DAY, God will grant unto us – as the song says: “We’ll have a new body; we’ll have a new life.”

My minute’s up! James A. Horton

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Chris Grisham has been diagnosed with breast cancer and is having tests run this week. Please pray for her , her family, and her medical team.
- Cindy Holly, Mary Lou Elder’s daughter , is in the hospital and is not doing well. Pray for her and her family.
- Benny Thornton is in rehab. Please pray for him and his family at this time.
- Dennis Woods, the brother of David Woods, has cancer. Pray for him and his family.
- Brother David South, a fellow Bible Professor of Donnie DeBord, has recently had hernia surgery. Pray for his speedy recovery.
- Fay Chastain, Brother James Horton’s sister, passed away last week. Remember her family at this difficult time in your prayers.

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Ann Akins, Johnnie Jumper, Lindsay Garrison, Pattie Box, Anna Hearn Thompson, Chris Grisham, Wade Carmichael, Brenda Koon, Carol Smith, Ali Rae Barkley, Cora Chills, Austin Wentz, Jan Rooker, Lori Chapman, Mike Harrison, Shan Grisham, Trey Smith, Lenox Kennamore, Clem Edge, Benny Thornton, Linda Cook, Dianne Butler, Susan Ainsworth, Billy Hugh McBryde, Phil Young, Tom Childers, Peggy Wallis, Paula Dowty, Steve Robinson, Donald McTizi , Lynn DeBord, Kenny James, Benny Wallis, Shandal Maxedon, Dennis Woods, Vince Jordan

Diversicare: Terri Barkley C-9, Cindy Holly D-8

NEWS & NOTES

- The REVIVE Conference will be on February 1, 2025 from 3:30-8:00. Don’t miss some outstanding Bible Lessons and a bar-b-que dinner. Pray for this conference to be successful, invite others, and mark your calendar to attend.
- We still have dishes on the table in the back foyer. Please check to see if any of them belong to you.
- Please help us fill the yearly lists with volunteers for the nursery and preparing communion. The nursery list is in the nursery and the communion list is on the table in the foyer.
- Jessie and Sophie DeBord will be nursery attendants this Sunday.

Worship Service February 2, 2025

Welcome.....	Michael Harrison
Song Leader.....	Caleb James
Opening Prayer AM	David Cook
Read Scripture	Brent Kuhl
Lord’ Supper AM	Kenny Schmitz
Assisting at the Lord’s Table AM	Tucker Shappley, Hayden Kuhl, Anderson Thompson
.....	Cole Chapman, Hunter Kuhl, Timmy DeBord
Closing Prayer AM.....	Clay Crawford
Opening Prayer PM	Benny Wallis
Lord’s Supper PM	Shane Green
Closing Prayer PM	Billy Morton
Usher	Roger McAlister