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

DEACONS

Ronald Chapman Rob Elliott Shane Green David Hudson Mike Hurst Sonny Meeks Brad Pounders Nathan Robertson Kenny Schmitz Justin Thompson Benny Wallis

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WE SERVE A LAUGHING GOD

"Why do the nations rage and the people plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bands apart and cast away their cords from us." He who sits in the heaven laughs; the Lord holds them in derision." (Psalm 2:1-4)

Several times in the Bible God is described as laughing. Ordinarily, we do not imagine our God as one who laughs. We associate laughter with trivial, foolish, silly things. Since we cannot think of God as being frivolous, silly or trivial, we cannot associate laughter with the Almighty. But the Bible does reveal God as laughing.

Why God Laughs:

God laughs because He can see the end of His enemies. "The Lord shall laugh at him. For He sees that his day is coming." (Ps. 37:13)

God laughs because of the security of His cause. "But Thou, O LORD, shall laugh at them; Thou shalt have all the heathen in derision." (Ps. 59:8)

God laughs because his cause is victorious. "But you have set at naught all my counsel and would none of my reproof: I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear comes. (Prov. 1:25-26)

What is it that would motivate God to laugh at man? He does not laugh because he hates man. He loves man! (Jn. 3:16) He does not laugh because he is happy that man does not repent of his transgressions. "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise. . .but is long-suffering, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9)

When a person tramples the will of God under his feet and dies in that condition, the Bible depicts God as laughing at that individual. Will you not obey his word so that he will not laugh at you for wasting your life but welcome you into eternal glory?

My minute's up!

May 2025 Worklist

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Announcements	Sunday Song	<u> Leader</u>	Read Scripture	
May 4 David Cook	Caleb James		Kallen Bryowsky	
May 11 Donnie DeBord	Dan Shappley		Anderson Thompson	
May 18 Mark Martindale	Josh James		Timmy DeBord	
May 25 Michael Harrison	Cole Chapman		Channer Bryowsky	
Opening Prayer AM	PM Closin	ng Prayer Al	M PM	
May 4 Mark Martindale	Cole Chapman	Brent Kuhl	Mike Hudson	
May 11 Brad Pounders	Paul Macaluso	Rodney Chap	man Darrell Tatum	
May 18 Dave Osborn	Benny Wallis	David Hudson	n Mike Bennett	
May 25 Nathan Robertson	Tucker Shappley	Robert Elliott	Palmer Jones	
Lord's Table AM	Assisting at the L	ord's Table Al	M Lord's Table	
PM May 4 Michael Harrison	Mike Hurst, Stephen	Wallace,	Nathan Robertson	
May 11 David Cook	Billy Morton		Sam Green	
May 18 Kenny Schmitz	Ronald Chapman, Cl	ay Crawford,	Shane Green	
May 25 Justin Thompson	Jerry Green		Justin Luster	

Lock Doors Mike Hurst

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Remember those who are taking cancer treatments.
- James Allen Johnston had surgery this week to remove a large stone from his bile duct. The surgery was not successful. He is home recovering. Pray that further surgery can be done soon and that his recovery is speedy.
- Continue to pray for the family of Kenneth Hill, Savanah Orman's grandfather, during this difficult time.
- Remember the family of Bill Greer, Brenda Chapman's brother, in your prayers at this difficult time.

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Johnnie Jumper, Lindsay Garrison, Pattie Box, Anna Hearn Thompson, Chris Grisham, Jan Rooker, Wade Carmichael, Brenda Koon, Carol Smith, Ali Rae Barkley, Cora Chills, Austin Wentz, Trey Smith, Lori Chapman, Mike Harrison, Shan Grisham, Caleb McAlister, Jimmy Willingham, James Johnston, Linda Cook, Dianne Butler, Susan Ainsworth, Billy Hugh McBryde, Phil Young, Gary Parsons, Tom Childers, Peggy Wallis, Paula Dowty,

Steve Robinson, Donald McTizi, Lynn DeBord, Ann Akins, Kenny James, Benny Wallis,

Shandal Maxedon, Dennis Woods, Vince Jordan, Sharon Macaluso

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

NEWS & NOTES There will be a bridge shower for Zon Green, April 27, 202

- There will be a bridal shower for Zoe Green, April 27, 2025 from 1:30-3:00. Zoe and Tucker are registered at Amazon and Gift of Gab.
- Middleton Church of Christ's Ladies Day, April 26 at 9:30. See bulletin board for details.
- Our updated church directory is nearing completion. Please, check your information to make sure it is complete and correct. If you have not entered yours, please do so. If you need any help or have questions see Shane Green.
- Rainbow Kids Preschool will have a "Kick Off" meeting for anyone interested in helping with the school and its dreams of the future. There will be a meeting on May 18th at 3:00.
- Summer and Ella Gibens will be nursery attendants this Sunday.

Worship Service April 27, 2025		
Welcome	Mark Martindale	
Song Leader	Tucker Shappley	
Opening Prayer AM	Kenny Schmitz	
	Stephen Wallace	
	Dave Osborn	
	Sonny Meeks, Robert Elliott, Palmer Jones	
	Brad Pounders, Justin Bennett, Darrell Tatum	
Closing Prayer AM	David Hudson	
Opening Prayer PM	Brent Kuhl	
	Mike Hudson	
	Clay Crawford	
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