

The Ripley Reminder



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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE. . .

“WHEN HE WAS ON THE CROSS I WAS ON HIS MIND!

“Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures.” (! Cor. 15:3b)

Before Jesus went to the cross, He went to the garden. As He spoke to His Father in prayer, He thought, not only of Himself, but of you!

He was despised and betrayed for you! He endured scourging for you! He was brutally nailed to the cross for you! After enduring six hours of excruciating pain and suffering, He died for you! Paul understood the sacrifice of Jesus in dying for him when he said of Christ, “Who loved me, and gave Himself for me!” (Gal.2:20)

“He knew me; yet, He loved me!

He whose glory makes the heavens shine,

I'm so unworthy of such mercy!

When He was on the cross,

I was on His mind!”

(Song written by Ronny Hinson & Mike Payne)

Jesus died for you that you might live for Him! (Phil. 1:21)

My minute's up!

James A. Horton

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 Shapley

ELDERS

David Cook
Michael Harrison
Mark Martindale

DEACONS

Ronald Chapman
Rob Elliott
Shane Green
David Hudson
Sonny Meeks
Brad Pounders
Nathan Robertson
Kenny Schmitz
Justin Thompson
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Shed Some Light on the Situation

Good news! Finally, we get to hear some good news! We need the Gospel because bad news surrounds us. We are so surrounded by darkness that we might mistake the darkness for light. The “domain of darkness” is all we know until we are brought into the Kingdom of God (Col. 1:13). In fact, God says we “were darkness” (Eph. 5:8).

Our hope is in the light of the Gospel. Just as God broke the dark nothingness when he spoke light into existence (Gen. 1), so now he has brought light into the darkness of the world through his Son and his word. 2 Corinthians 4:6 says, “For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.”

The Son of God is the “radiance of the glory of God” (Heb. 1:3), so he is perfect for destroying spiritual darkness. Jesus said “I AM the Light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness” (Jn. 8:12).

Christians are in this struggle against “this present darkness” (Eph. 6:12). We are not to have any fellowship with darkness (1 Cor. 6:14). Instead, we are to “walk in the light as he is in the light” (1 Jn. 1:7). As we walk in the light, we are forgiven and enjoy our walk with God as the abundant life (Jn. 10:10). We still need to focus on the light. We need to make the most of every opportunity—like worship and special Gospel Meetings—to focus on the Light. When we focus on the light of God, we 1) turn away from the despair in darkness; 2) find nourishment from the Light; and 3) find the darkness in ourselves that still needs to be removed. As we focus on the Light, we will find that we want to share the blessings we enjoy. We know how sad it is to walk in darkness and we want our friends to be saved. So, we do not hide our light. Instead we reflect the divine Light before others so they too want to glorify our God.

March 2026 Worklist

Welcome

Sunday Song Leader AM PM

Read Scripture

Mar 1	David Cook	Caleb James	Tucker Shappley	Tucker Orman
Mar 8	Michael Harrison	Dan Shappley	Anderson Thompson	Noah Robertson
Mar 15	Tucker Shappley	Ronald Chapman	Kallen Bryowski	Haydren Shappley
Mar 22	Cole Chapman	Michael Harrison	Cole Chapman	Jackson Shappley
Mar 29	Mark Martindale	Josh James	Young Men	Jonah James

Opening Prayer AM

PM

Closing Prayer AM

PM

Mar 1	Paul Macaluso	Palmer Joes	Barry Grisham	Mike Bennett
Mar 8	Justin Thompson	Rob Elliott	David Hudson	Ronald Chapman
Mar 15	Cole Chapman	Michael Harrison	Roger McAlister	Mike Hudson
Mar 22	Nathan Robertson	Dave Osborn	Tucker Shappley	Darrell Tatum
Mar 29	David Cook	Young Men	Clay Crawford	Young Men

Lord's Table AM

Assisting at the Lord's Table AM

Lord's Table PM

Mar 1	Josh James	Robert Elliott, Patrick Ginn, Stephen Wallace	Benny Wallis
Mar 8	Kenny Schmitz	Benny Wallis, Rodney Chapman, Billy Morton	Nathan Robertson
Mar 15	Sonny Meeks		Justin Luster
Mar 22	Brent Kuhl		Timmy DeBord
Mar 29	Brad Pounders		Hayden Kuhl

Lock Doors:

Brad Pounders

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Clay Crawford had cancer surgery and did well. Remember him and his family in your prayers.
- Mary Lou Elder is recovering at home after a stay in the hospital. Pray that she is doing better.
- Bonnie Martindale is recovering from a recent fall that required surgery to fix her hip that was broken. Remember her and her family in your prayers.
- James Johnston is home recovering. Please pray that the infection is gone soon.
- Carla Kuhl is recovering at home from foot surgery. Pray that she continues to do well.
- Shan Grisham, Vicki Crawford’s brother, passed away Monday. Pray for his family at this difficult time.
- Kathy Norton, Sally Farrow’s sister passed away. Pray for her family at this difficult time.``

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Susan Ainsworth, Ann Akins, Ali Rae Barkley, Pattie Box, Annette Brooks, Dianne Butler, Wade Carmichael, Cora Chills, Clay Crawford, Alice Cross, Paula Dowty, Roger Cunningham, Grevil Flores, Chris Grisham, Jamers Horton, Ann Izard, Kenny James, James Johnston, James Allen Johnston, Vince Jordan, Johnnie Jumper, David Lipe, Billy Hugh McBryde, Donald McTizi, Sharon Monson, Savannah Orman, Steve Robinson, Jan Rooker, Brandie Rutgers, Carol Smith, Trey Smith, Anna Hearn Thompson, Peggy Wallis, Austin Wentz, Jimmy Willingham, Betty Stubblefeild, Dennis Woods

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

NEWS & NOTES

- Remember our weekly fellowship meal on Wednesday night at 6:00.
- Ladies Day at Strickland Church of Christ, March 7. See flyer in foyer for details.
- It is time to order your Lads to Leaders t-shirts. Order form in the foyer. Deadline is this week.
- There are many opportunities to help with English Language Learner classes. You can find a link on Light Post to sign up to help with childcare, tutoring, meal preparation, etc. .
- We are currently trying to change our communication app over to Light Post. See Cole or Tucker if you are having issues with it.
- Nathan Stanford and Sam Green will be going on a mission trip to Alaska in March. If you would like to aid them in doing this good work, donations can be given to one of our Elders. Please pray that they have a safe and successful trip.
- The Food Pantry needs re-stocking. We need canned meats, vegetables, fruit, soups, canned meals, etc. Donations can be left in the Pantry or in the foyer. Thank you,
- Heather and Isla Shappley will be keeping the nursery this Sunday.

Worship Service February 22, 2026

Welcome.....	Mark Martindale
Song Leader AM.....	Ronald Chapman
Opening Prayer AM.....	Dave Osborn
Read Scripture.....	Jonah James
Lord’ Supper AM.....	Brent Kuhl
Assisting at the Lord’s Table AM.....	David Hudson, Mike Bennett, Justin Luster
.....	Shane Green, Jerry Green, Darrell Tatum
Closing Prayer AM.....	Clay Crawford
Song Leader PM.....	Kallen Bryowsky
Opening Prayer PM.....	Michael Harrison
Lord’s Supper PM.....	Timmy DeBord
Closing Prayer PM.....	Cole Chapman