

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

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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE. . .

SALVATION IS FREE – BUT IT'S NOT CHEAP!

"Then said Jesus to His disciples, 'If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.'" (Matt. 26:24)

Many years ago, a millionaire, who was an ambitious missionary at heart, turned his back on his family's fortune to become an actual missionary to China. He traveled as far as Egypt where, while still in his twenties, he died of typhoid fever. But, before his death, he wrote: "No reservations! No retreats! No regrets!"

Following the Lord always cost His disciples something - even in our day! As one author wrote: "There are no free rides to glory!" In our day, here in America, it may not cost our lives, but to follow "The Great Shepherd" will require a total commitment in our priorities and a denial of selfish desires.

Our salvation cost Jesus His tortured death in being scourged and then nailed to the cross to suffer even hours longer in pain and misery! It will cost our deepest commitment to Him to be saved eternally.

If we follow Christ, as He invites us to do, we will be able to say at the end: "No regrets!"

My minute's up!

James A. Horton

LET'S TAKE A MINUTE. . .

HOW WE NEED THE STRENGTH GIVEN TO US BY GOD

“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” (Isa. 40:31)

Robert Oppenheimer (1904-1967) was an American theoretical physicist. He served as director of the Los Alamos Laboratory and was responsible for the research and design of a new, more powerful, weapon than had ever been invented. He is often referred to as “The father of the atomic bomb!” The race for power has continued until, in our day, the nations of the world have so many ways to kill and destroy life on our planet.

But have all the weapons created by man brought us lasting security? No, just the opposite! If anything, the world is less secure today than ever. The false prophets in the time of the prophet, Jeremiah cried out: “Peace, peace; when there is no peace.” (Jer. 8:11)

In our threatening and restless world, however, we CAN have peace! It comes only by placing our trust in God's hands! He is our “living God,” and in our time of “wars and rumors of wars,” (Matt. 24:6) David's words are encouraging as he says, “. . .under His wings you shall take refuge.” (Ps. 91:4) Charles Spurgeon wrote: “Hawks in the sky and snares in the field are equally harmless when we nestle close to God.”

So, regardless of what happens in our future, the Christians' greatest concern is not staying alive, but staying faithful until we reach the land of peace!

My minute's up!

James A. Horton

April 2026 Worklist

Welcome

Sunday Song Leader AM PM

Read Scripture

April 5 Michael Harrison	Ronald Chapman	Ronald Chapman	Tucker Orman
April 12 David Cook	Dan Shappley	Anderson Thompson	Jax Shappley
April 19 Donnie DeBord	Michael Harrison	Kallen Bryowski	Jonah James
April 26 Mark Martindale	Cole Chapman	Tucker Shappley	Haydren Shappley

Opening Prayer AM PM

Closing Prayer AM PM

April 5 Mark Martindale	Justin Thompson	Roger McAlister	Mike Bennett
April 12 Kenny Schmitz	Brad Pounders	David Hudson	Darrell Tatum
April 19 Sonny Meeks	Benny Wallis	Rodney Chapman	Barry Grisham
April 26 Dave Osborn	Brent Kuhl	Mike Hudson	Billy Morton

Lord's Table AM

Assisting at the Lord's Table AM

Lord's Table PM

April 5 Nathan Robertson	Paul Macaluso, Palmer Jones, Scott Kuhl	Robert Elliott
April 12 David Cook	Rob Elliott, Ben Wallis, Jerry Green	Justin Luster
April 19 Caleb James		Timmy DeBord
April 26 Josh James		Hayden Kuhl

Lock Doors:

Nathan Robertson

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Clay Crawford is doing better and is home. Remember him and his family in your prayers.
- Bonnie Martindale is recovering at home. Remember her and her family in your prayers.
- James Horton is doing better and has returned to the rehab facility in New Albany. Pray that he continues to improve and rehab is successful.

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 Iazard, Kenny James, James Johnston, James Allen Johnston, Vince Jordan, Johnnie Jumper, David Lipe, Bonnie Martindale, Billy Hugh McBryde, Donald McTizi, Sharon Monson, Savanah Orman, Steve Robinson, Jan Rooker, Brandie Rutgers, Tina Sanford, 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.
- We will sponsor a Blood Drive April 18, 2026. See the information posted in the foyer and sign-up sheet to volunteer to donate or help in other ways.
- There will be a bridal shower for Kate Harrison April 19th. She is registered on Amazon and at Ripley Drug, Co.
- We will have a 5th Sunday Friends and Family on March 29th.
- We are currently trying to change our communication app over to Light Post. See Cole or Tucker if you are having issues with it.
- Cole Chapman, Caroline Chapman, and Sophie DeBord will be traveling to El Salvadore this summer on a mission trip. 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.
- Nathan Stanford and Sam Green will leave Friday on a mission trip to Alaska. Please pray that they have a safe and successful trip.
- Tommye Walker and Linda Willingham will be keeping the nursery this Sunday.

Worship Service March 22, 2026

Welcome.....	Cole Chapman
Song Leader AM.....	Michael Harrison
Opening Prayer AM.....	Nathan Robertson
Read Scripture.....	Jackson Shappley
Lord' Supper AM.....	Bret Kuhl
Assisting at the Lord's Table AM.....	Robert Elliott, Patrick Ginn, Stephen Wallace
.....	Benny Wallis, Rodney Chapman, Billy Morton
Closing Prayer AM.....	Tucker Shappley
Song Leader PM.....	Cole Chapman
Opening Prayer PM.....	Dave Osborn
Lord's Supper PM.....	Timmy DeBord
Closing Prayer PM.....	Darrell Tatum