

# Announcements



## Meetings:

- Board of Trustees: Tuesday Nov. 19th @ 5:30 pm - Fellowship Hall
- Board of Deacons: Sunday Dec. 8th @ 10:00 am - Fellowship Hall
- Mission Committee: Tuesday Jan. 15th @ 6:00 pm - South Office

## Fall Mission Opportunities:

- Noisy Offering- November 24th - Holy Joe's Cafe - Coffee For Troops

## Church/Community Involvement:

- Quilting will meet Thursday Nov. 21st @ 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall
- Quilting will NOT meet Nov. 28th - Happy Thanksgiving
- December Quilting Days to be announced
- No Soul Stitching on Saturday in December

## Thanksgiving! - Wednesday, November 27th @ Ripley UCC

- Community Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
  - It is our tradition to gather with the churches in our neighborhood on Thanksgiving Eve to celebrate fellowship and ecumenical love.
- Offering: Shelf-stable food items to donate to the CHAT food pantry.
- Fellowship with light finger food from 6-7pm in the fellowship hall.
- Worship @ 7:00 pm

## Religious Education


- Adult RE will begin in January with twice monthly topics at Ripley and at Pizza Palace (if open). Details TBD.
- Children's RE (toddler and preschool) begins TODAY! Please take a moment after the service to tour the re-visioned Cry Room.
- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with Children's RE during future services. Please see Jim for details.



# Ripley United Church of Christ Celebration of Worship



November 17, 2024  
26th Sunday after Pentecost



## Welcome and Announcements Prelude and Candle Lighting

## Praise and Invocation (adapted from Psalm 16):

One: I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

**Many: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.**

One: I bless the LORD, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

**Many: You give me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

One: Let us worship in the presence of a faithful and loving God.

**Many: Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision" (Black Hymnal #451)

## \*Confession:

One: Our faith calls us to "provoke one another to love and good deeds"

**Many: Too often, we neglect our neighbor.**

One: We become wrapped in ourselves.

**Many: We lose sight of beloved community.**

One: Forgive us God, our selfishness.

**Many: Teach us to serve the world you created.**

## \*Silent Prayer

### \*Assurance:

One: Hear the Gospel! Our God is a gracious and loving God.  
**Many: By His grace, we are forgiven**

One: By His love, we are set free  
**All: Amen**

### Passing the Peace/ Children's Procession

Our scripture teaches that the Kingdom of God belongs to those who enter it like a child. As our children come forward, it is our custom to greet each other from our places, then sing the children to the front with the traditional song "This Little Light of Mine." If you are worshiping with us online, please feel free to say hello in the comments, so we know you are here.

### Children's Celebration - "Lean on Me"

**Reading:** Hebrews 10:11-25

**Message:** "Provoking One Another"

**Hymn:** "For the Healing of the Nations" (*Black Hymnal* #576)

### Offertory

**\*Presentation of our Offerings:** Doxology (*Black Hymnal* #780)

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

### Prayers of the People

**Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)**

**\*Closing Hymn:** "Take My Life, God, Let It Be" (*Black Hymnal* #448)

### \*Benediction

## Postlude

\* Please stand, in body or spirit



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We're glad you came.

Find us online at [www.ripleyucc.org](http://www.ripleyucc.org), or connect to us in person over refreshments downstairs after the service.

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Prayer requests can be submitted in person to Jim or any Deacon, or by following this QR code:



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