



### Ripley Church Meetings:

- Board of Deacons: August 2nd @ 10:00 am - Office
- Board of Trustees: Monday, July 13th @ 5:30 pm - Office

### Ripley Mission/Church/Community Involvement:

- Quilting: Thursday, June 25th @ 9:00 am
  - Saturday Soul Stitching - Saturday July 11th @ 9:00 am
- Noisy Offering - June 28th - Alive and Running (suicide prevention)
  
- RUCC Volunteer @ Tama County Fair - Tue. July 14th - 10:00 am - to 3:00 pm
  - Sign up to Volunteer is on the counter in the church Kitchen
  - Do you like to bake? Pies/Bars needed for that day.
  - Questions contact Patty Calderwood 319-269-7286

### Collection for Junkman/Knobel Center - Pathways - June/July

- Collection of items to be donated to the Residential Center
  - Towels - Gently Used is Acceptable, Twin Size Linens
- Furniture - Gently Used is Acceptable
  - If you have something to give we should contact them to make sure that it is acceptable and meets their needs.
- Cleaning Products
  - Dish soap, dishwasher soap etc
- Male and Female Hygiene Products
  - Soap and Shampoo/Conditioner                      Toothbrushes and toothpaste
  - feminine hygiene products                              NO Razors please
- Recreational Items - Gently Used is acceptable
  - Bags game or pool table, Board games, 1000 piece jigsaw puzzles, Art/painting supplies
- Contact Laura for Questions - 319-239-3188

### TEVBS Update!

**Traer Ecumenical Vacation Bible School** - August 3-6 from 5:00-7:45 pm at Ripley. Volunteers are needed for a number of tasks, including leading groups, setting up the space, prepping food, and helping with activities. Please let Christie, Becky, Jim or Lindsey know if you are interested.

### Winding Stairs Festival - Aug. 7th, 8th, 9th

- Ripley Hosts Sunday worship and fellowship after at the Memorial Bldg



# Ripley United Church of Christ Celebration of Worship

June 21st, 2026  
Proper 7 / Father's Day



## Welcome and Announcements Prelude and Candle Lighting

### Praise and Invocation (excerpted from Psalm 86):

One:                      Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

**Many:                      ...be gracious to me, O LORD, for to you do I cry all day long.**

One:                      Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**Many:                      For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.**

One:                      Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

**Many:                      In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.**

### Call to Worship:

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

**Many:                      Amen**

**\*Opening Hymn:** "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" (black hymnal #459)

## Confession

One: Our faith is one of repentance and deep transformation.

**Many: Yet in our ego and our selfishness, we cling to our sinful nature.**

One: Our scripture calls us to unite with Christ, reborn and resurrected, free from old ways and patterns.

**Many: We reject the freedom Christ offers.**

One: Forgive us, God, our failings.

**Many: Help us to grow into the new life you have promised.**

## 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 worshipping with us online, please feel free to say hello in the comments, so we know you are here.

## Children's Celebration: "Father Abraham"

**Reading:** Romans 6:1-14

**Message:** "You Can't Take It With You"

**\*Response:** "God's Eye is On the Sparrow" (black hymnal #475)

## Offertory:

**\*Presentation of our Offerings:** Doxology (black hymnal #780)

## \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Prayers of the People

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

**\*Closing Hymn:** "Faith of Our Fathers" (red hymnal #404)

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

\* Please stand, in body or spirit

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Thank you for attending Ripley UCC. We're glad you came.

*"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*

\*\*\*CE helper today was Dalton Hulme

\*\*\*Reader was Denis Winklepleck, Jr.

Find us online at [www.ripleyucc.org](http://www.ripleyucc.org), or by searching "Ripley United Church of Christ" on Facebook. Or join us for refreshments downstairs after the service. An elevator is available by the south door for those who need it.

Pr. Jim is available to the community at 515-708-4343 (text is best) or [jimatripley@gmail.com](mailto:jimatripley@gmail.com)

