

# THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

## THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 13, 2017



*“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”*

### Every Time I See the Cross

*Part 1*

There is song that is sometimes sung in youth gatherings which ends with the following words...“Every time I see the cross.” Of all the events that have occurred throughout the history of this earth. The death, burial, and resurrection should stand at the forefront for all of us. The real impact of Christianity is found on a cruel cross and an empty tomb. The real impact is seen in the angel that announced his resurrection to the women who came to the tomb that Sunday morning. The real impact is found in the over 500 people that beheld Him after that day. It is His death that we remember every first day of the week when we partake of the Lord’s Supper. What an important event for all of us! Every time I see the cross, what do I see? Let me suggest briefly three things.

First, I see the suffering of an innocent. Peter and Paul both attest to the innocence of our Savior. “Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth” (1 Peter 2:22). “And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:8). One of the thieves on the cross would say, “This man has done nothing wrong” (Luke 23:41). Even Pilate knew he was innocent. “I have found no reason for death in him” (Luke 23:22). Christ was indeed innocent. He did not deserve one second of the punishment that he received. Isaiah noted that fact in Isaiah 53. “But He was wounded for **our** transgressions, He was bruised for **our** iniquities; The chastisement for **our** peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:5, **emp. added**, jjp). Christ was innocent; we were guilty; He suffered in our place.

Next week, we will notice a little more concerning His suffering and our second point. ~Justin

#### Elders:

Larry Carden  
Steve Carmack  
Joe Hunt  
David Snell

#### Deacons:

Pat Carmack  
Tommy Climer  
Kenneth Roark

#### Minister:

Justin Paschall  
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#### Service Times:

Sun. Bible Study-10 AM  
Sun. Worship-11 AM  
Sun. Night-5 PM  
Wed. Night-7 PM

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**“Come Worship with Us!”**

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### What Must I Do to Be Saved?

- Hear the Word of God – Rom. 10:17
- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God – Heb. 11:6; John 8:24
- Repent of your sins – Acts 17:30
- Confess Christ before men – Rom. 10:10; Matt. 10:32-33
- Be baptized for the remission of your sins – Acts 2:38; 1 Pet. 3:21
- Remain Faithful – Rev. 2:10

#### By The Numbers for August 6<sup>th</sup>

##### *Attendance:*

Sun. Bible Study – 92  
Sun. AM Worship – 127  
Sun. PM Worship – 71  
Wed. Night (8/9) – 75

#### To Our Visitors:

We are so glad and honored that you chose to be with us today. If you have any questions please feel free to ask the elders or one of the members. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. Thanks for being with us, and we hope to see you again real soon!

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**AM Bible Study:**

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark  
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman  
Devotional – David Bridges

**AM Service:**

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers  
Announcements – Tommy Climer  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman  
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers  
Lord’s Supper – (S) Steve Carmack  
(S) Robert Anderson  
(N) Kenneth Roark  
(N) John Dennison  
(N) Joel Sutton

Closing Prayer – Raymond Neal  
Security –

**PM Service:**

Announcements – Tommy Climer  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman  
Opening Prayer – David Snell  
Lord’s Supper – Steve Carmack  
Closing Prayer – Robert Anderson  
Security – Frank Carmack

**Wednesday Night:**

Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman  
Opening Prayer – Raymond Neal  
& Devotional  
Closing Prayer – Kenny Kennedy  
Security – Barry Bates

**Door Greeters for August**

South – Steve Carmack  
Center – David Snell  
North – Joe Hunt

**Communion for August**

Joe and Cynthia Hunt

**August Birthdays**

- Justin Paschall – 2
- Raymond Neal –11
- Darlene Underwood – 13
- Mende Scherffius – 14
- Reagan Paschall – 17
- Quame Richmond – 17
- Josh Carmack – 18
- Cynthia Hunt – 20
- Evelyn Smith – 20
- Betty Binkley – 21
- Bret Carmack – 23
- Tommy Climer – 23
- Rylee Moore – 23
- Franklin Carmack – 31



**Mark Your Calendars!**

- **Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies’ Bible Class in the fellowship hall at 6 pm.
- **Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>** – Ladies’ Bible Class in the fellowship hall at 6 pm.
- **Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>** – Ladies’ Bible Class in the fellowship hall at 6 pm.

**What Are My Children Studying?**

- **Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>** – *Lesson 73* – Manna Ceases – *Joshua 5*
- **Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>** – *Lesson 74* – Destruction of Jericho – *Joshua 6*
- **Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>** – *Lesson 75* – Loss at Ai; Achan Sins – *Joshua 7*

**Memorials Received**

Memorials have been received in honor of Gwinn, Matthews, June, Medford, Gerald Brown, Jewel Kendrick, and Frank Shelton.

**Dishes to Pick-up**

There are still several dishes in the fellowship hall. If you have not yet picked up your dish, please make sure to do so.

**Those in Need of Our Prayers and Encouragement:**

*Our Regulars/Friends/Relatives:*

- At any given time there are members going through different difficulties that they would rather keep private. Please say a prayer for them; God knows who they are.
- Abbey and Alden Climer (Granddaughters of Tommy and Linda) were in a serious car accident. Alden was released from the hospital with only minor injuries. Abbey continues to be in the hospital and has a long road of recovery ahead of her. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Gwinn Matthews passed away on Tuesday (8/1). Funeral services were held on Saturday (8/5). Please keep Mrs. Johnnie and the family in your prayers.
- Pam McDonald’s brother, James Bushart, passed away. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Penny Gaines’ bladder cancer has returned. Please keep her in your prayers as she undergoes treatments.
- Ted Sutton has a broken vertebra in his neck. Please keep him in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin has returned to his treatments and will be unable to attend services regularly as a result. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Betty Arthur has a new great granddaughter. Elizabeth Elise Arthur. She weighed 8 lbs. 9 oz. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Robert Taylor had knee replacement surgery on Tuesday (7/11). He is in the Lauderdale Community Hospital, room 159 for rehab. He is also still receiving antibiotics for pneumonia. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- June Medford (Ann Carmack’s sister) passed away. Funeral services were held Friday (7/21). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Gerald Brown (David Snell’s brother-in-law) passed away. Funeral services were held on Friday (7/21). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Milford Durham (retired chief of police and former sheriff) is battling lung cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier had surgery (7/31). Please keep him in your prayers as hr recovers.
- Grayson Bryant (Lillie Dennison’s sister’s grandson), was able to go home. He still has some procedures ahead of him. Please keep the family in your prayers
- Evelyn Jackson (Betty Arthur’s sister) is currently in rehab following a bad fall. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Randy Roark, Jr. is battling kidney cancer. Please continue to keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Lloyd Sanders (Rae Sanders’ son) fell and broke his neck. He is home and has a long road ahead of him. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Brenda Sutton, Larry Carden, Betty Brogdon, Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Tim Carmack, Lille Dennison, Joyce Blakemore, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.