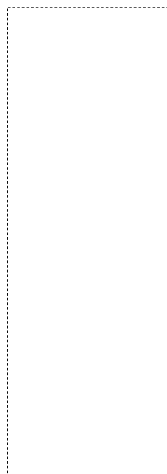


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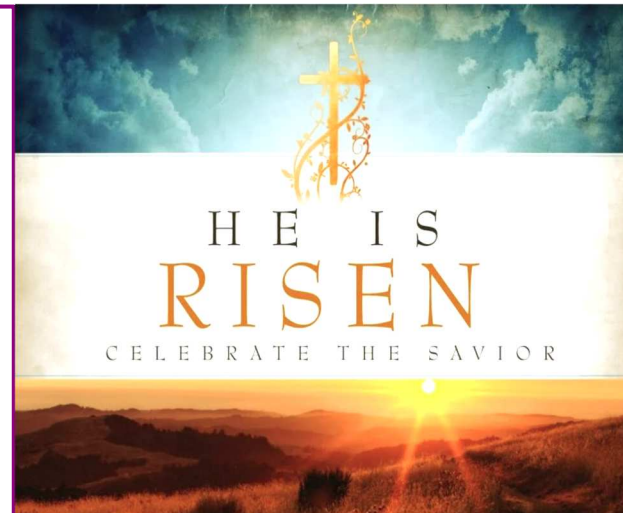


APRIL 2026
 newsletter of
Richland ARP
 Church

"Growing In Faith
 and
 Service"
 since **1866**

THE Informer

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- 5th Wednesday Prayer Meeting
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Remember By Celebrating...
 (Here is an excerpt of a paper written by one of the children of our church...)

"...My other favorite holiday is Easter. I love celebrating it. Easter is celebrated because it's the day to remember Jesus rising from the dead. My church plans something for each evening of Holy Week leading up to Easter. On Sunday, we have Palm Sunday where the kids carry in palm branches to start church. Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, and the people ran out to meet him with palm branches and cried out, "Hosanna!" On Tuesday, our church teaches about the Olivet Discourse. My dad usually teaches on this evening. On Wednesday, my church has a festive Mediterranean meal with lamb, chicken, humus, pita chips, rice, and baklava for dessert. We also have a Passover meal very similar to the meal Jesus had before his arrest by the soldiers in the garden. On Thursday, or Maundy Thursday, we have the Lord's Supper, and our pastor reminds us again of what the bread and the cup represent: Jesus'

body and his blood. Friday evening, our church meets to remember Good Friday, the day Jesus was crucified. It's good because death was put to death. Then on Sunday we celebrate Easter. Jesus was raised from the tomb! After church, my family usually participates in an Easter egg hunt. There are lots of tiny eggs, but two large eggs are prize eggs. Then we have lunch together with extended family. I love to celebrate Easter.

In the cold of winter, Christmas is a warm, joyful holiday. It's one of my favorite times of the year. When spring approaches, Easter is celebrated by Christians around the world. This holiday is another time of the year that I love. I love both of these holidays because of what Jesus did for us. He came as a baby, God in the flesh, and he died on the cross to save us from our sins. These are good reminders that I love to share with my family. We are Christians, and we base our faith upon these truths, Jesus came in the flesh, and he saved sinners like us."
 - Adeline



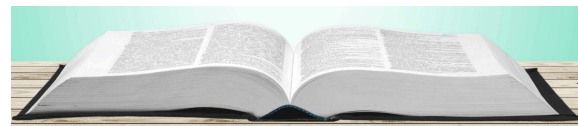
Richland ARP desires to be a faithful expression of "God's Kingdom gathered and equipped for service!" **An Inquirer's Class** will be scheduled as an after-church luncheon to discuss our church history, present ministry, and future goals -- just inquire!



**Richland ARP
160th Homecoming!
Nov. 1, 2026!**



"Great Salvation Moments" is both a survey of the Scriptures and a detailed look at the who, what, when, where, why, and how of God's saving grace. That grace was established by covenant promises with the saints of Israel, a people set-apart for a unique role in the world... We are learning that God's salvation remains the same over all of time; but with new implications... Access past messages at our website, YouTube & FaceBook pages. Search: **Richland ARP Church**. [Please "subscribe" to receive notices of new presentations] **REMEMBER:** During our Sunday morning service, our Memorial Hall may be utilized as an "over-flow room."



APRIL Birthdays

- 1 - Jennifer Clay
- 4 - Fredrick Asche
- 5 - Megan Page
- 11 - Solace Clay
- 17 - Alex Langford
- 22 - Ella Wright Jones
- 23 - Ariella Clay
- 26 - Faith Moorlach
- 26 - Libby Silence

Anniversaries

- 4/15 - Russ & Vicky McCallen

UPCOMING...

- 4/29 - 5th Wednesday Prayer Meeting
- 5/1-2 - **MAG: Heaven & Earth Conference**
- 5/5 - RARPC Officers' Meetings; 6 & 7PM
- 5/7 - **National Day of Prayer**
- 5/8 - YOUTH First Friday Meeting; 6PM
- 5/9 - Rosemark Men's Breakfast; 8AM
- 5/10 - Mother's Day
- 5/11, 12 - TSH Concert
- 5/17 - Rededicate USA 250
- 5/19 - Rosemark Garden Club @ Hise Home
- 5/25 - Memorial Day
- 5/30 - Rev. Donahue Retirement party
- 5/31 - 5th Sunday All-Church Luncheon
- 6/8-12 - 222nd Synod Mtg. of the ARP
- 6/15-19 - Vacation Bible Sch. @ Providence
- 6/21 - Dad's & Grad's Sunday
- 6/28 - Gideon's Sunday
- 7/4 - USA 250th Birthday
- 7/20-25 - YOUTH SUMMER CAMP



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"Thank you" to those who access our online giving platform! If you wish to donate online, please visit our church website and click on the "Online Giving" tab to establish & manage an online account. Thank you for being a partner and a blessing!

Rosemark's Men's Monthly Breakfast & Fellowship!



We invite our fathers, sons, and brothers to gather for a great breakfast, followed by Bible devotions @ 8AM. JOIN US April 11, 2026 --> Richland ARP



back of Memorial Hall. See the pastor for info.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
NATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING



This year's **National Day of Prayer** will be hosted by our Millington pastors on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at Noon, in the Baker Community Center on Church St. We invite the congregation to participate in this community event! Lift up our community and nation before the Lord!

**Rededicate 250:
National Jubilee of Prayer,
Praise, and Thanksgiving**

**May
17**

HEAVEN + EARTH
THE STRUGGLE FOR FAITH AND SCIENCE IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE

Learn more about this conference at our website!

MAY 1-2
UNION UNIVERSITY MEMPHIS CAMPUS



The **LADIES AM Bible Study** meets most Tuesdays at Miss Ann's home at 9:30AM (Excepting Tuesdays when the Rosemark Garden Club meets! See calendar). Their current study lessons are from Vaughn Roberts series entitled, "God's Big Picture."

Informer Articles

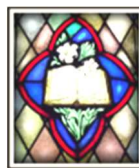
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- Richland Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
 - Friends Who Like Richland Assoc. Ref. Pres. Church
- & our **YouTube Channel:**
"Richland ARP Church"

YOUTH GROUP

News

- ◆ Youth Sunday School classes meet @ 10AM
- ◆ YOUTH CHOIR practices on most Sundays for those in 5th grade and older @ 5PM
- ◆ Our next **FIRST FRIDAY** meeting will be on the **SECOND FRIDAY** of May! Flyers & invitation details will be coming soon! Mark your calendar for **May 8, 2026!**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat

FIRST FRIDAY STUDIES
Attention all middle and high schoolers!
for our NEXT First Friday Study

- ◆ **Thank you,** to all our students for their participation in our Conference and Holy Week activities!
- ◆ Summer Camp dates announced! July 20-25, 2026.



College Age Students!

Take part in the weekly fellowship and study time with several Presbyterian Churches meeting at Advent Pres. in Cordova, Fridays at 6PM.

Reports from Richland's Calling Post

Will exTReMe weather prevent us from gathering? Receive a phone message indicating our meeting status! Leave your phone number with the church office to receive our all-church calling service!



We give thanks to the ladies coordinating WM projects for our church! Recently, they sent "care baskets" to members in our congregation and to those who have prayer needs. Thank you for also helping to provide snacks and meals for our many recent meetings!

Highlights of Spring 2026 Mississippi Valley Presbytery at Hopewell Presbyterian Church in New Albany, MS

A strong quorum of ministers and elders were present! Important items of business included the following:

- Fall Meeting of MVP will be held TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY **October 6 & 7** at the New Geneva Church in Paducah, KY. This is a change of days that we meet.
- Adoption of a Memorial to be sent to Synod to specifically endorse the position of the Larger Catechism Q177 prohibiting the communing of children who have not professed faith in Christ.
- Approved Moderator appointment of a new standing committee for Inter Church Relations. This will manage increasing requests for fraternal delegates and for churches inquiring about MVP.
- Approved the organization of River City Reformed Church in Little Rock on Sunday March 15, 2026.
- MVP Summer Camp is July 20-25, 2026.
- Approved the retirement of Rev. Joey Donahue after 41 years at Providence ARP Church.
- Heard sermons from preachers: Rev. Donahue and Rev. Jay Forester of French Camp ARP
- Received report from missionary, Hannah Covington, our friends in Iraq, and more that God is doing.
- Prayer Time included many requests for those deployed to the Middle East; a minister's wife has been diagnosed with Stage 4 Mesothelioma; more...
- An EPC church will begin transfer process to MVP.
- Hopewell Church was a wonderful host church, who provided great food and fellowship for all in attendance. We celebrate their 175 Anniversary!



Holy Week

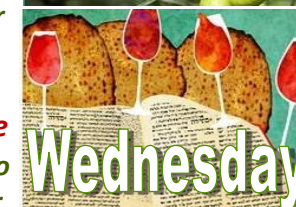
"**THANK YOU,**" to everyone who attended our Holy Week gatherings! **Special**

"**Thanks,**" to:

Shane Rosenthal for his engaging presentations at our Spring Bible Conference; **The McCalla Family**, who graciously hosted our speaker's accommodations; and **Dr. Dave Algea**, who made an insightful presentation on what the Bible says about "the end of times," and the "hour that is at hand." All our presentations can be found at the Richland ARP website & YouTube Channel.

Plan for these special meetings next year!

THE OLIVET DISCOURSE



Wednesday

Maundy Thursday

GOOD FRIDAY





Join us at 10AM for a morning of instruction with great conversation, prayer, & discipleship!

- **Nursery - Pre-K** with Miss Nikieta & Miss Sarah
- **K - 2nd** - with Miss Courtney & Mr Tim
- **3rd - 5th** - with Miss Kelly
- **6th - 8th** - with Miss Bebe
- **High School** - with Dr. Dave & Mr. Kennon

- *Miss Hanna (sub for 0 - PreK)
- *Miss Sherri (sub for K-2 & 3-5)
- *Miss Stephanie (sub for 6-8 & HS)
- *Miss Terry (back up sub as needed)

◆ **3 Adult Classes:**

- ◇ **"Faith"** meets in the old Session Room for a study led by class members through the *Bible Expositor and Illuminator* series.
 - ◇ **"Growing in Grace"** is our women's class meeting in the women's parlor. This class is facilitated by Miss Danna, and now teaching through the Heidelberg Catechism.
 - ◇ **"Pastor's Class"** is a tour through many theological topics and related sermon material; meeting in the Memorial Hall.
- ⇒ Classes conclude at 10:45AM, so arrive on time!



From The DIACONATE

Outdoor flags were replaced. Indoor directional signs have been purchased. Discussions regarding congregational safety have been a priority; ideas being raised. New placement of First Aid cabinet sought. Concerns to be addressed at manse. Lightbulbs & batteries always need replacing. Sanctuary refurbishment plans are proceeding with the Design Committee. Prayers lifted on behalf of the congregation. Rosemark Breakfast & Bible Study: April 11; 8AM - Richland ARP
Next Deacon's meeting is April 7, 2026.

From The SESSION

The Session prays for our church members, shut-ins, community, city, nation, and the concerns of the world-wide church. Meetings are held each Lord's Day prior to the morning service, and monthly, typically on the first Tuesday of each month.

Received: Deacons' & Treasurer's Report; Member correspondence; the announced "retirement" of Mr. David Reece as the lead teacher of the Faith Adult Sunday School Class. *We are grateful for your service!*

Approved: Outside group's use of the Memorial Hall

Discussed: Timeline for bringing on new Deacon(s); Wednesday night meetings

SESSION NOTICE: *Session meetings are public meetings; however, some matters discussed are sensitive in nature. Thank you for scheduling your attendance with our Clerk in advance.*



APRIL 2026 @ Richland ARP

SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes-	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 - Bible Classes - GOOD FRIDAY - 5th Sunday Lunch - Pastor's Bible; 5p - YOUTH CHOIR; 5p	30	31 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM - OLIVET DIS-COURSE TUES-	1 APRIL - WED. FAMILY SEDER SUPPER; 6PM	2 - 1st Thursday Prayer Mtg. in Millington - MAUNDY THURS-DAY; 7PM	3 - GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE; 7PM	4 11 - Rosemark Men's Breakfast & Bible Study; 8AM @ RARPC
5 - Bible Classes - RESURRECTION SUNDAY! (Family Egg Hunt)	6	7 - Officers' Mtgs @ Richland ARP	8 - Wednesday Family Dinner & Devotions; 6PM	9 - HUG Mtg; 6PM	10 - HARE; 4PM - Abide 6:30PM - Masquerade YOUTH Dance, MS	18 25
12 - Bible Classes - Worship Service - Lord's Supper - YOUTH CHOIR; 5p - Pastor's Bible; 5p	13	14 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM	15 - Wednesday Family Dinner & Devotions; 6PM	16 - HUG Mtg; 6PM	17 - Abide 6:30PM	25
19 - Bible Classes - Worship Service - YOUTH CHOIR; 5p - Pastor's Bible; 5p	20	21 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM	22 - Wednesday Family Dinner & Devotions; 6PM	23 - HUG Mtg; 6PM	24 - Abide 6:30PM	2
26 - Bible Classes - Worship Service - Pastor's Bible; 5p - YOUTH CHOIR; 5p	27	28 - Rosemark Garden Club Mtg.	29 - 5th Wednesday All Church Prayer Meeting; 6:16PM	30 - HUG Mtg; 6PM	1 MAY - Abide 6:30PM	2 - Heaven & Earth Conf. in Memphis
3 - Bible Classes - Worship Service - Pastor's Bible; 5p - YOUTH CHOIR; 5p	4	5 - Ladies AM Bible Study; 9:30AM - Officers' Mtgs @ Richland ARP	6 - Wednesday Family Dinner & Devotions; 6PM	7 - NATIONAL DAY of PRAYER MEETING in Millington, Noon	8 - 1st Friday Youth Study & Fellowship; 6PM	9 - Rosemark Men's Breakfast & Bible Study; 8AM @ RARPC