

First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, NJ



Our Mission Statement - "We, the First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, are called by God to be a spiritual and visible presence by living out our faith and sharing our gifts among God's people."

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022 * 9:15AM

“The spiritual life is not a set of exercises appended to our ordinary routine. It is a complete reordering of our values and our priorities and our lives.”

— Joan Chittister

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: All creation is full of your glory. All humanity is made in your image and likeness.

People: When we forget your image within, we move away from your likeness.

Leader: May Christ's Spirit move us to grow in likeness to you.

People: May we become your temple and our hearts your altar where your transforming fire will burn brightly.

***HYMN #307 “God of Grace and God of Glory”** Cwm Rhondda

~ Led by Doug MacLean ~

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Loving God, your presence and your way is hidden, and to find you we must search. Forgive us for our lack of desire and our lack of true searching. Fan the flames of spiritual longing in us that we might hear your voice and be led on the path in which we will find. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI (#581)**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. A - men, A - men.

THE PEACE

Listen for God's Word

SCRIPTURE READINGLuke 14:25-33 (pg. 94 NT)
SERMON *“Life’s True Purpose”*Rev. John W. Monroe III
*HYMN *“The Heart of the Matter”* (see insert).....Campbell, Henley, Souther

Respond to God

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* ... Isaac Watts & Lowell Mason
~ Offered by *Doug MacLean* ~

The Sacrament of Communion

INVITATION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD’S PRAYER..... Spoken

Leader: ...we praise you and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

“The Lord’s Prayer”Spoken

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE GIVING OF THE CUP

Go in God’s Name

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *“The Rainbow Connection”*Kenneth Ascher & Paul Williams
~ Offered by *Doug MacLean* ~

**Please stand if you are able*

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Sunday Service
9:15am

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