

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."

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022 * 9:15AM

“It’s not about right belief; it’s about right practice.”

— *Cynthia Bourgeault*

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Assurance*” based on “*Assurance*” by Phoebe P. Knapp and “*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*”, by J. S. Bach, arr. Beck, transcribed Courtney
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

RINGING OF THE BELL ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Author of all life, of all creation, you long to draw us near and to awaken us to the fullness of life.

People: Give us trust to open us to your mysterious depths within and among us.

Leader: You call ordinary people like us to manifest your love in a world in need of your love.

People: May we hear your call in our hearts and give ourselves to your service.

*HYMN #401 “*Here in This Place*” Gather Us In

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of love, no one can find you without taking the path of surrender and trust. We are ignorant about how to relate to you, thinking that you are an object that we can perceive. Rather, you are the light by which we see. You are the ground of our very being. You are the breath by which we have life. To find you, we have to let go. Yet, we want to remain our own center of being and treat you as another being that we can control. Help us to see our folly and help us to trust you with our lives that we might find the life which only you can give. 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

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 137 (pg. 709 OT)
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:5-10 (pg. 97 NT)
SERMON *"In Service of Life"* Rev. John W. Monroe III
*HYMN *"(I've Been) Searchin' So Long"* (see insert)..... James Pankow (Chicago)

Respond to God

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"How Beautiful"* Twila Paris

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 *"As We Leave This Place"* Bill Brennan

**Please stand if you are able*

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Sunday Service
9:15am

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Sandi Van Cleve, Director of Christian Education;
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