

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."

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2022 * 9:45AM

"Somehow when the heart becomes single, the rest will follow."
— *Cynthia Bourgeault*

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE "*You Are My Hiding Place*" Michael Ledner

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "*How Great Thou Art*" Stuart K. Hine, arr. Craig Courtney
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: You invite all who are weary and carrying heavy burdens to come to you and find all we need for the journey.

People: Teach us to come joyfully and to lay our burdens down.

Leader: You are always with us, but we fail to see.

People: May the eyes of our hearts be opened that we might know your living presence in every moment.

***HYMN #4 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"**Slane

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of love, we have accepted the wisdom of the world as true wisdom and rejected your paradoxical wisdom as mere foolishness. You tell us that the first will be last and the last first, but we hang onto our place in line and believe that this clinging to our privilege will make us happy. Happy are those who choose to trust and let go and follow the wisdom that Jesus lived and taught. May we find the true life that you offer us in Christ. 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 READINGJoel 2:23-32 (pg. 1039 OT)
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 18:9-14 (pg. 99 NT)
SERMON ***“When Down Becomes Up”*** Rev. John W. Monroe III
HYMN *“Fix You” (see insert)..... Martin, Buckland, Berryman & Champion (Coldplay)

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM ***“This Is My Word”***Pepper Choplin

Go in God's Name

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

SHARING OUR LIVES IN PRAYER

“The Lord's Prayer”Spoken

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE ***“Give Me Love”***George Harrison
~ Offered by ***John Garth*** ~

**Please stand if you are able.*

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Sunday Service
9:45am

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