

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."

Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022 : 9:45AM

“Oh the places you’ll go! There is fun to be done!”

~ Dr. Seuss ~

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE *“Of The Father’s Love Begotten”*..... Plainsong 13th cent, setting by Craig Courtney
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

RINGING OF THE BELL ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *“Advent Cry”*.....Joseph M. Martin

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come from a world of darkness

People: Into God’s world of light

Leader: We come from a world of weariness

People: Into God’s Strength and hope

Leader: We come from a slumbering world

People: Into the awakened anticipation of the coming of the Christ

***HYMN #93 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”**.....Truro

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

One: The wolf shall dwell with the lamb
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them. Isaiah 11:6

All: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess, O God, that we have, in many ways, lost our anticipation and expectation for this Advent season. We go through the cycle, so familiar, that it has become commonplace to us. Forgive us when we have slumbered instead of being awake. Forgive us when we have taken the good news for granted. Light a fire within us through the spark of your presence, so that we can in turn let our lights shine. We offer our prayers in the name of the Christ who is Emmanuel, God with us, 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..... Isaiah 11:1-10 (pg. 784 OT)
SECOND SCRIPTURE READING..... Luke 1:39-45 (pg. 69 NT)
SERMON *"The Pygmalion Passages"* Rev. Dr. Paul J Kirbas
*HYMN #82 *"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"* Hyfrydol

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"Do This in Remembrance of Me"* Judy Hunnicutt

*THE DOXOLOGY (#607)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit ever more;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Amen.

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

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*HYMN #104 *"O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"* Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION *"Benediction"* Jay Althouse

**Please stand if you are able.*

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Sunday Service
9:45am

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