

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."

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2022 : 9:45AM

Assemble in God's Name

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "*Love Came Down at Christmas*"Gilbert M. Martin
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ, God's gift to the world, shall come:

People: For those who feel despair will know hope.

Leader: For those who are oppressed will know freedom

People: For those who are lonely will know love.

Leader: For those who are suffering will know inner peace.

People: O Christ, Lord of the world, your time is now!

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

One: The Lord will give you a sign.

Look, the young woman is with child

And shall bear a son,

And shall name him Immanuel (God is with us). Isaiah 7:14

All: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

***HYMN #88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vrs. 1 & 4) Veni Emmanuel**

Listen for God's Word

FIRST SCRIPTURE READINGIsaiah 7:10-16 (pg. 779 OT)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READINGMatthew 1:18-23 (pg. 1 NT)

MEDITATION "*Immanuel: The Ministry of Presence*"Rev. Dr. Paul J Kirbas

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES & CAROLS (See insert)

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “*O Holy Night*” Cappeau / Dwight
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly and John Garth* ~

***THE DOXOLOGY (#607)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Holy Spirit ever more;
Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Amen.

Go in God’s Name

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

SHARING OUR LIVES IN PRAYER

“The Lord’s Prayer”Spoken

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “*Good Christian Friends Rejoice*”.....Medieval Latin, German folk melody

**Please stand if you are able.*

The Giving Tree

The Mission Commission is interested in collecting feedback on organizations and charities that inspire you. As we organize for the upcoming year, we are soliciting your recommendations, which can be provided anonymously if preferred.

Please write the name of the organization on the slip of paper located in a basket on the table outside Wilson Hall and place it within the branches of the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. We will collect these recommendations at the end of the holiday season.

Mission Commission members thank you in advance for your engagement!

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Sunday Service
9:45am

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All members

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Andreea Fegan, Director of Music
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