

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."

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023 : 9:45AM

“When one has once fully entered the realm of love, the world — no matter how imperfect — becomes rich and beautiful, it consists solely of opportunities for love.”

— Søren Kierkegaard (1813-1855)

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *“Great Is the Lord”* Debbie & Michael W. Smith

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Linda Goeddel

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

People: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Leader: I will be glad and exult in you;

People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

***HYMN #37 “Let All Things Now Living”** Ash Grove

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

All-loving God, we confess our motivations are often not influenced by your love. We act according to what will bring us the best outcome. We love ourselves before we love you. Help us to grow deeper into your love, seeing that it is greater than anything in this world. And as we rest and trust in your love, may we love others with the sacrificial love of your son, Jesus. For it is in his name that we pray, 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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON..... Psalm 133 (pg. 692 OT)

CHORAL MEDITATION *“All You Need Is Love”* (see insert)Lennon-McCartney

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON.....1 Corinthians 13 (pg. 212 NT)

SERMON *“Down the Drain”* Rev. Dr. Paul J Kirbas

***HYMN #693 “Thou I May Speak”** Gift of Love

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “*O Lord, Bread of Life*”Faure/Liebergen

*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.

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

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 #300 “*We Are One in the Spirit*” They’ll Know We Are Christians

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION “*God Be with You till We Meet Again*” ... Vaughan Williams/Rankin

**Please stand if you are able.*

Indicates song in Presbyterian Hymnal.

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Sunday Service
9:45am

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