

# *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."*

# *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

*August 13, 2023 @ 9:15AM*

*“Only love that continues to flow in the face of anger, blame, and indifference can be called love. All else is simply a transaction.”*

*— Vironika Tugaleva*

## *Assemble In God's Name*

PRELUDE "*Sonata in A Major*" ..... Domenico Scarlatti

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

INTROIT "*My Lord, What A Morning*" ..... Jay Althouse

*~ Offered by Suzanne Parmly ~*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** ..... Psalm 100

*Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!*

**People: Serve the Lord with gladness!**

*Leader: Come into his presence with singing!*

**People: Know that the Lord, he is God!**

*Leader: He made us, and we are his.*

**People: We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

**\*HYMN #802 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"** ..... ST COLUMBA

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

**Gentle Shepherd, You guide us in right paths, You lead us in the ways of righteousness, but we have allowed our anger, our rage, our greed, and at times even hate, to direct our paths. We have overreacted, we have taken more than our share, we have despised others that seem to have it all. Forgive us, God, for not following Your ways. Forgive us for not remembering that we are Your sheep, and You are our Shepherd. Forgive us when we have not listened for Your voice and instead have acted in the ways of the world. Guide us back to Your path, to loving You and loving our neighbors. Help us to unclench our fists and lend out our hands in hope and healing, forgiveness and love. In the name of Christ our Shepherd 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**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (See insert) ..... Juliet Jane Pena  
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ..... Psalm 23 (pg. 617 OT)  
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON..... John 10:11-18 (pg. 126 NT)  
SERMON "*Beware the Hired Hand*" ..... Dr. Paul J. Kirbas  
\*HYMN #187 "*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*" ..... BRADBURY

**Respond to God**

**WE GIVE OUR OFFERING**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*" .... John Ness Beck/Craig  
Courtney

~ Offered by Suzanne Parmly ~

**\*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

\*HYMN #803 "*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*" ..... RESIGNATION

**BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "*About Foreign Lands and People*" ..... Robert Schumann

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*# Indicates song in Glory to God (The Presbyterian Hymnal).*

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**Sunday Service**

**9:15am**

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All members

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Rev. Linda Goeddel, Rev. Jennifer Kirbas,

& Rev. Sue Smith: Parish Associates;

Andreea Fegan: Director of Music

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