

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 10, 2023 @ 9:45AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Bring A Torch, Jeanette Isabella*” French Carol
~ Offered by *Laura Petillo* ~

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT “*How Shall We Know Him*” Gilbert M. Martin
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Isaiah 40

Leader: *In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*

People: **Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low;**

Leader: *the uneven ground shall become level,*

People: **and the rough places a plain.**

Leader: *Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together,*

People: **for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.**

*HYMN #99 “*My Soul Gives Glory to My God*” MORNING SONG

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**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Eternal and ever-present God, often we are not ready for things to be made new. Often we resist change. Help us, God, to imagine the new earth that you envision for our world. Help us to see ourselves in it. Give us wisdom and courage and energy to help hasten the coming of your day. 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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES & CAROLS (See insert)

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "*Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming*" German Carol

***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 #100 "*My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*"** (vs 1 & 4) STAR OF THE
COUNTY DOWN

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "*Sheep May Safely Graze*" J. S. Bach
~ Offered by *Laura Petillo* ~

**Please stand if you are able.*

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

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9:45am
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