

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."

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 22, 2024 @ 9:45 AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Voluntary #5, Moderato, Sempre legato*” Samuel Jackson

RINGING OF THE BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT “*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*” Anon.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)**

Leader: We gather here to embrace a new year, O God.

People: Bringing with us our needs, and the needs of the world.

Leader: We come to you, for you come to us in Jesus,

People: And you know from experience what human life is like.

Leader: We come with our faith and with our doubts;

People: We come with our hopes and with our fears.

Leader: We come as we are, because you invite us to come;

People: And you have promised never to turn us away.

Leader: Amen. Let us worship God.

***HYMN #26 “*Earth and All Stars!*” (vs. 1, 2 & 4) EARTH AND ALL STARS**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

O Lord of all, we confess that we often seek to please ourselves instead of glorifying you. We set aside awe of the Lord and rely upon our own strength rather than upon your Spirit. Forgive our stubborn insistence to do things our own way, to serve you on our own terms. Teach us to seek your kingdom first, and your justice before all else, confident in your guidance and care through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 27 (pg. 619 OT)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 17:1-8 (pg. 167 NT)

SERMON "*Come, Grow with Us: Being Christian Today!*" Rev. E. Nicholas Van Gombos

*HYMN #432 "*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*" (vs. 1, 2 & 4) REPTON

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "*Lord, I Need You*" Matt Maher
~ Offered by *Mara Campolattaro* ~

*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 "*God, Bless Your Church with Strength!*" (see insert) DIADEMATA

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*" HYMN TO JOY

**Please stand as you are able.*

Indicates song in Glory to God (The Presbyterian Hymnal)

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9:45am
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