

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."

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 28, 2025 @ 9:45AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Thou Art Worthy*” Pauline Michael Mills

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT “*Christ, Be Our Light*” Bernadette Farrell

~ Offered by **Adeline and Oliver Bayer** ~

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 27:1)

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation;

Many: Whom shall I fear?

One: The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

Many: Of whom shall I be afraid?

One: Come, seek God in this time of worship.

***HYMN #35 “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”** LOBE DEN HERREN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or one another. When we place our iniquities before you, it is your love that sheds light on our wayward deeds. As we stand in awe of your tender care for us, we ask your forgiveness. Hear our confession we pray, and respond to us with kindness, that we might turn to you again.

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. Amen, Amen.**

***THE PEACE**

*You are invited to exchange the peace of Christ, greeting each other
with the words below.*

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Listen for God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 36:5-10 (pg. 627 OT)

GOSPEL READING Luke 13:31-35 (pg. 93 NT)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON “*As a Hen Gathers her Brood*” Dr. Whitney S. Bayer

***HYMN #436** “*God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*” O QUANTA
QUALIA

Installation

PRESENTATION OF ELDERS ELECT: *Sue Brennan*

STATEMENT ON THE NATURE OF THE OFFICE OF ELDER

QUESTION FOR ELDER ELECT

*Do you welcome the work for which you have been chosen, and will you serve
the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God’s
mercy and rejoicing in his promises through Jesus Christ our Lord?*

I do and I will.

QUESTIONS FOR CONGREGATION

a. *Do we, the members of the church, accept **Sue Brennan** as Elder,
chosen by God through the voice of this congregation, to lead us in the
way of Jesus Christ?*

We do.

b. *Do we agree to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow
as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the church?*

We do.

**PRAYER OF INSTALLATION
CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED**

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “*This Is My Father’s World*” Davy Flowers,
Lawrence Sheppard and Maltbie D. Babcock
~ Offered by **Elizabeth Luthringer** ~

***THE DOXOLOGY (#607)**

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Go in God’s Name

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

You are invited to raise your hand if you have a joy or concern to share aloud.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

... (Unison) **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us
this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our
debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen**

***HYMN #848 “Trust in God”** SONG 13

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “*Jesus, Name Above All Names*” Spiritual, arr. Nelsie T.
Johnson

**You are invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

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