

# *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."*

# *Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

*February 1, 2026 @ 9:45AM*

## *Assemble In God's Name*

PRELUDE “*You've Got a Friend*” ..... Carole King  
~ Offered by Anita Waters ~

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT “*Come Away with Me*” ..... May Nelson Keithahn/John D. Horman

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?*

**Many: The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

*One: We gather in the presence of God. Let us open our hearts and minds in worship.*

\*HYMN #401 “*Here in This Place*” ..... GATHER US IN

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgiving God, we repent of all the ways we turn from you. You call, but we do not listen; you show us your path, but we prefer our own way. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you, that we might show mercy to others.**

### 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.*

*One: The peace of Christ be with you.*

**Many: And also with you.**

***Listen for God's Word***

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** ..... Psalm 27:1,4-9 (pg. 619 OT)

**GOSPEL READING** ..... Matthew 4:18-22 (pg. 4 NT)

*One: This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** “*Follow Me*” ..... Dr. Whitney S. Bayer

**\*HYMN #726 “Will You Come and Follow Me”** (vs. 1-4) ..... KELVINGROVE

***Respond to God***

**WE GIVE OUR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** “*Blest Are Those Who Love You*” ..... by Marty Haugen

**\*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**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

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

## *The Sacrament of Communion*

*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.**

### **GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Leader: ... who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

**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.**

... (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**

### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE GIVING OF THE CUP**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

## *Go in God's Name*

**\*HYMN #721 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" ..... PESCADOR DE HOMBRES**

### **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE "Solfeggietto" ..... CPE Bach**

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

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