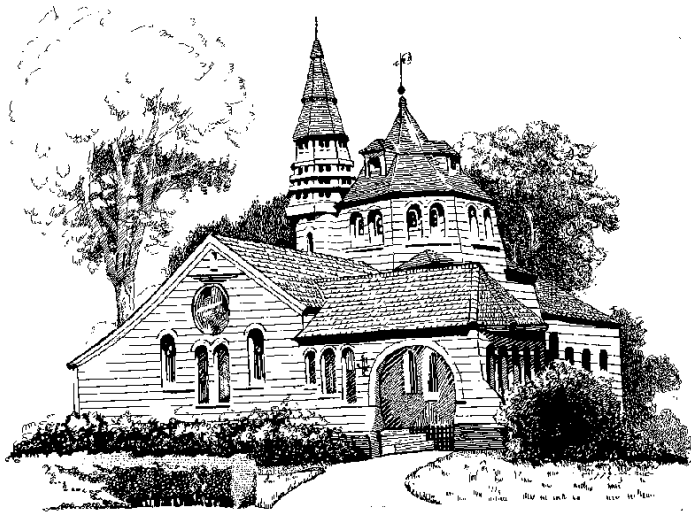


First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, NJ



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."

Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026 @ 9:45AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Majesty*” by Jack W. Hayford

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT “*Were You There*” by Craig Courtney
~ Offered by *Suzanne Parmly* ~

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: *I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.*

Many: **My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: *O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.*

Many: **Let us worship God!**

***HYMN #250 “*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*”** PROMISE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst. We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being and success, forgetting your imperative to love our neighbor as ourselves. Show us again how to live a resurrection faith. Transform our hearts that they may once again be filled with love and moved to actions of grace and mercy. In your holy name, we pray.

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 34:1-10 (pg. 625 OT)

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:13-35 (pg. 109 NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “On the Journey” Dr. Whitney S. Bayer

***HYMN #817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” DUNLAP’S CREEK**

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM “I Can See” by David Meece
~ 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 #314 “*Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*”** (vs. 1-4)
CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “*My Jesus, I Love Thee*” by William R. Featherstone /
GORDON

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

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