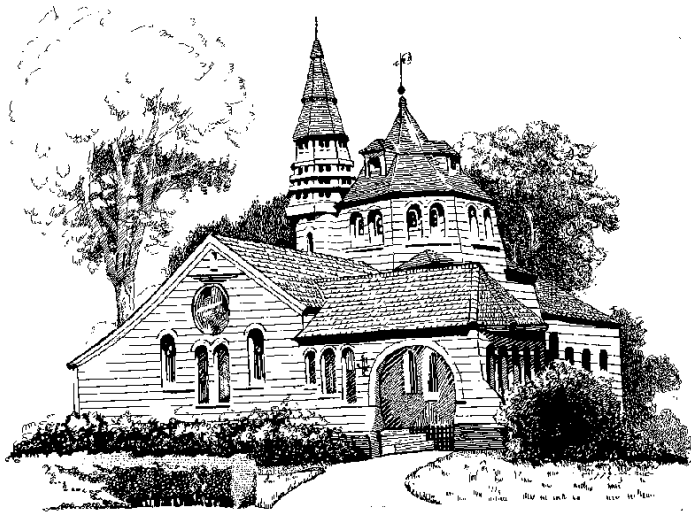


First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, NJ



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 of Easter

April 26, 2026 @ 9:45AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Arietta*” *Opus 12, No 1* by Edvard Grieg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT “*Day by Day*” by Stephen Schwartz

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Love is patient. Love is kind.

Many: Love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.

One: Love does not insist on its own way.

Many: Love is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing.

One: Love rejoices in the truth.

Many: Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

One: Love never ends. Let us worship God!

***HYMN #475 “*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*”** NETTLETON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that we doubt your capacity to work through us. We hold on to fears that we are unworthy to speak your words, so we stay silent even as your Spirit pulls at our tongues. We struggle to fathom the wholeness of your claim over us, so we ignore the light of your love as it emerges in the dark places of our lives. Forgive us. Help us to trust you, to lean upon you, to speak your word of love to a weary world and accept the completeness of your loving claim on our lives.

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 Jeremiah 1:4-10 (pg. 854 OT)

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (pg. 212 NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “*Our Values: Love*” Dr. Whitney S. Bayer

***HYMN #366** “*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*” HYFRYDOL

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “*Thee Will I Love*” by Craig Courtney

***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 #697 “Take My Life”** (vs. 1-3, 5) HENDON

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Menuet” by Jean Genet d'Angebert

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

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