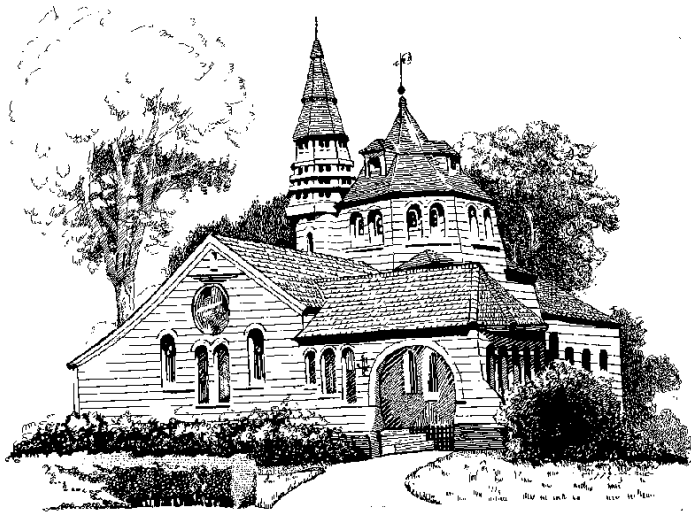


First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, NJ



Our Mission Statement - "We, the First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, are a community that welcomes all, nurtures faith, values relationships, and serves our neighbors with the compassion of Christ."

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026 @ 9:45AM

Assemble In God's Name

PRELUDE “*Musette*” from English Suite No. 3 by J. S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT “*Take Now My Voice*” by Douglas Nolan

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: *Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the convictions of things not seen.*

Many: **Like Abraham, let us follow God, even when we don’t know where we are going.**

One: *By faith, let us look forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.*

Many: **Let us worship the God whose promises call and claim us.**

***HYMN #39 “*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*” FAITHFULNESS**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-loving God, we confess that we are not always ready to trust your love. You call us to step forward in radical faith, but we cling to what is familiar and comfortable. You are eternally at work in the world, but we struggle to discern your presence. Forgive us, O God. By your grace, give us courage to stand for what is right and good and to risk love and justice. Teach us faithfulness and perseverance for the journey ahead.

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 Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (pg. 204 OT)

EPISTLE READING Hebrews 11:1,8-12 (pg. 273 NT)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

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

***HYMN #353** “*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*” **SOLID ROCK**

Respond to God

WE GIVE OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “*Flowers*” by Samantha Ebert
~ Offered by **Oliver Bayer** ~

***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 #546 “*Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*”** SICILIAN
MARINERS

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “*Of the Father's Love Begotten*” DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

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

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