

Announcements and Church Information ***For the week of Sunday, June 7, 2026***

Whether you are worshipping with us for the first time, returning after some time away, or a long-time member of our church family—we are so glad you're here.

We would love to stay connected with you. If you are visiting, please consider filling out a yellow card, located in the back of the pew, and place it in the offering plate. You can keep in touch through our weekly emails—simply reach out to our Office Administrator, Steve Buchanan, at admin@rumsonpresbyterian.org. You can also follow us on Facebook at [@firstpresbyterianchurchofrumson](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresbyterianchurchofrumson).

If you are considering making Rumson Presbyterian Church your church home, we would be delighted to walk alongside you. Our Session gathers regularly to welcome new members. To learn more about joining, please contact Rev. Whitney Bayer at whitney@rumsonpresbyterian.org or 732-842-0429.



Second Sunday of Pentecost

Sermon: "Made for Community"

Dr. Whitney S. Bayer

Adam says, "At last this is bone of my bone, and flesh of my flesh." What does it mean that humans are not alone and that we are made for community? What does it mean that we need one another?



Coffee Hour

Join us immediately following the service in Wilson Hall for coffee or tea and some delicious treats. Thanks to the **Bayer Family** for hosting this week.



Summer Sermon Series – Beginning Today

Faces of our Faith: Bold and Untold Stories

"There are many heroes of the faith, people we admire and wish to be. However, there are even more ordinary people of faith — those doing what they can with

what they have to make a difference. This summer, we'll dig deep into the bold and untold stories of those often overlooked in our biblical narratives, hoping these characters remind us that we all play a role in shaping God's story of redemption and grace." -A Sanctified Art



Summer Bible Study

We gather weekly to study the scripture for the coming Sunday as part of our Summer Sermon Series - Faces of our Faith: Bold and Untold Stories. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 5pm throughout the summer, concluding September 1st (taking a brief break mid-summer with no meetings on June 30 and July 7). We meet via Zoom, so all are welcome to join, whether you zoom in from home or from wherever your summer travels take you. Email Whitney (whitney@rumsonpresbyterian.org) to receive the Zoom link.



Congregational Meeting – June 14th

The Session has called for a congregational meeting to take place next Sunday, June 14th, immediately following worship, for the purpose of receiving the report of the nominating committee for church officers, electing new elders, and receiving the financial report for the preceding year.



Church Picnic – June 14th

This year our church picnic will take place next Sunday, June 14th, immediately following the congregational meeting. Mary Kiningham asks that you let her know if you will be attending so she can get an idea of how much food to order. You can reach her at mkiningham@gmail.com to RSVP or if you have any questions.



Rumson Presbyterian Book Group

The Rumson Presbyterian Book Group meets on Thursdays from 10-11am, through July 2nd. The book we are reading is ***An Alter in the World*** by **Barbara Brown Taylor**. "From the simple practices such as walking, working, and getting lost to deep meditations on topics like prayer and pronouncing blessings, Taylor reveals

concrete ways to discover the sacred in the small things we do and see." For this week read chapters 5 & 6. It's not too late to join, so if you are interested in participating, email Whitney at whitney@rumsonpresbyterian.org.



Seeking Lay Readers

We are seeking volunteer lay readers to assist in worship by reading scripture or another portion of the liturgy. This is open to all ages. Thanks to **Oliver Bayer** for doing the reading this week. You'll find a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs.



This year we have four recipients of the Peacemaking Award. These students have shown commitment to promoting the ideals of and goals put forth in our mission statement. These goals include, but are not limited to, tolerance of diversity, empathy for others, social justice for all, and protection of the earth.

The first recipient is **Madison Decker**. She will graduate from Rumson Fair Haven Regional High School and attend Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee in the fall. Madison has participated in worship services as a choir member, and solo cantor. She has also participated in performances and volunteer events with Rockit Music Academy. She believes that "music and service are two powerful ways to promote social justice, encourage understanding, and bring people together."

The second recipient is **Rosemarie Cole**. She will graduate from Neptune High School and will attend Monmouth University in the fall. She volunteers at Redeem

Her- a sober living house for women who are working to stay sober, as well as bettering their lives as well as themselves. She also works with special education students in her high school by helping to teach them physical education and health. Through both of these, "I have learned and taught respect and tolerance."

Havalyn Cannamela is our third recipient. She will graduate from Shore Regional High School and will attend Syracuse University in the fall. She has volunteered with the Monmouth Arts Creative Expressions Program, where she "supported the staff by engaging with the children through conversation and creative projects." Havalyn has also volunteered with the Surfrider Foundation by planting dune grass and participating in beach cleanups. S.A.W. (Students for Animal Welfare) is also an organization where Havalyn has volunteered. This group collected pumpkins for farm animals, made toys for shelter dogs, and planted pollinator-friendly gardens.

The fourth recipient is **Nyairah Miranda**. She will graduate from Neptune High School and will attend Kean University in the fall. One of the groups Nyairah volunteers with is STEAMPark, Inc. She helps clean up the Asbury Park Beach. Besides picking up trash, time is spent "scraping gum off benches". She is also an FDA Tobacco Student Associate, where with state permission, one attempts "to buy tobacco products as an underage buyer to ensure that stores follow tobacco regulations."

We congratulate each of them and wish them the best as they start out on the next stage in their life.

Susan



We Are a People in Mission!

Lunch Break



Lunch Break Volunteering: On Saturday, July 18th from 9:30am-1:30pm our church will be serving at Lunch Break. We will be working in the Food Pantry, the Community Kitchen, and the Clothing Closet. If you are available that date and would like to help our neighbors at Lunch Break, please consider signing up. Lunch Break promises it to be a unique and rewarding volunteer experience. You can sign up on the sheet in the narthex or by emailing Whitney at whitney@rumsonpresbyterian.org.

Ongoing Lunch Break Donations: Mission Commission continues to accept non-perishable food donations and toiletries and supplies for **Lunch Break**. Their needs have dramatically increased now because of sudden substantially reduced funding. Here's what they need:

Non-Perishable Food: Canned beans, dried beans, low-sodium canned soup (chicken, vegetable, and tomato), oatmeal, canned meals (spaghetti, ravioli, chili), canned chicken, canned tuna, canned vegetables (corn, peas, carrots), low-sugar applesauce, and almond or oat milk.

Toiletries and Supplies: Toothbrushes & toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, body wash, dish soap (smaller sizes), laundry detergent, baby diapers (sizes 2-6), baby wipes, and adult diapers (women sizes L, XL, XXL).

ICE Activity Related Request: With increasing community needs due to ICE activity in our area, Lunch Break is asking for: Shelf stable almond or oat milk, granola bars/snacks, bags of dried beans, larger pullups/diapers (sizes 4, 5, & 6), and wipes.

Monmouth County SPCA

Thanks to those who donated towels, blankets, sheets, and other items to the Monmouth County SPCA. Your generosity ensures they can continue the life-saving work they have been doing since 1945. Donations like yours are critical to their ability to save lives. Thank you, Angels!!



Giving

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