



January 19, 2025

“The call to Jesus’ followers is to be sign producers for God’s kingdom. We are to set up signposts; *actions, symbols, not just words* - which speak of new creation: healing the sick, food for the hungry, and so on. These are rewarding tasks, but they are also demanding. To do them we will need the presence of Jesus, and the powerful breath of his Spirit. That is what we are *promised*.” N.T Wright

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Prelude

Evan O'Donovan

Welcome

Elder Cheryl Anne Cammann

Call To Worship:

Living with faith is a journey that is ordinary and astounding simultaneously. **In everything we do, day by day; and in everything that happens, Christ walks beside us through it all.** Teach us O Lord, how to listen for your voice. Help us to learn how to rely on you for grace. **O Christ, you continually are working for our personal transformation day by day.**

***Hymn of Praise #395**

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

God of lovingkindness, You are the source of the kind of comfort and joy that can sustain us through all of life's changes. You are the source of grace that makes righteous living possible. Help us to receive all we need for reconciliation and restoration so we may reflect the light and love of your kingdom. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Reflection

Assurance of Grace:

God is with us and for us every moment of our lives. God provides strength and guidance for every situation that arises. **As we receive these gifts, our faith, and our capacity to follow Christ is increased.**

***Response of Praise #155**

Raise a Song of Gladness

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

A new day has arisen! Christ, the light of the world has come; breathing peace and grace for us to receive! God is here to bestow the peace that comes from being in the center of God's will. **May the peace of Christ be with us day and night!** Let us bless one another with Christ's peace saying, The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Ministry of Music

Evan O'Donovan

Scripture Reading

John 2:1-11

Message

Elder Cammann

*If you can stand comfortably, please do so.

Hymn of Faith #816 *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Celebrating Passion Enterprises

Now is a time to share something that happened, or that touched someone, or made a difference in some way. It is recounting how God's presence, love, and care are experienced in one's life. Please come to the lectern so that everyone may see and hear.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer:

**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.

Call to Offering

Offering Song #710 *We are an Offering

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering, we are an offering.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements (pg. 4)

Hymn of Response #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Evan O'Donovan

**If you can stand comfortably, please do so.*

Announcements

Thank you to Sara Pender & Rachel Remelgado for running the projector & camera!

Join our Worship Support Team! For more information, ask the pastor or the technicians or call the church office.

The Chosen Season 4

Here are the dates for "The Chosen" Season 4 for the first part of 2025.

I hope you are able to join in the discussion! - Diane

February 23; March 16; none in April; May 18; June 8

Souper Bowl of Caring Coming in February

We will be holding the Souper Bowl food collection in February. You can begin bringing in items the 1st Sunday in February; the collection will continue through the month. More details to follow during our worship service's announcements.

Congregational & Corporation Meeting: Sunday, February 9, 2025

We will be holding our annual meeting on Sunday, February 9th, following our worship service. We invite you to participate/get involved in this important meeting as we review the church's accomplishments in 2024, elect officers, and conduct other church business. We hope to see you there!

Next Manse Fireside Chat @ 7 pm is in February on Friday, the 28th.



Online Donations

PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK

John Ludington III

PRAYER REQUESTS

Barbara O., Major A. & family, Carole H., LJ & Corinne, Helen, Logan, Harper, Eileen P., Alyne B., Helene & Diane, Eunice - Barbra & Dave, Dorothy R., Amy, Avril Muller & family, Carlos B., Savannah B.



The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway 1731 Church Street

January 19, 2025
Elder Cheryl Anne Cammann
JoAnn Roesch
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10:30 A.M.
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**CALL FOR
STATED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 9, 2025**

A STATED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY, IS HEREBY CALLED PURSUANT TO THE BY-LAWS FOR THE CONGREGATION IS TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING THE BUDGET, ELECTING OFFICERS, HEARING REPORTS FROM THE SESSION, HEARING REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF DEACONS, AND HEARING REPORTS FROM ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH AS APPROPRIATE.

**BY ORDER OF THE SESSION
JANUARY 13, 2025**

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