Sermon Notes

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ROCHELLE

TO "GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL PEOPLE" INVITING THEM INTO A SAVING RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST, BUILDING THEM INTO THE IMAGE OF CHRIST, SENDING THEM INTO SERVICE FOR CHRIST.

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WELCOME

April 19, 2026 - 9:00am

Welcome and Announcements - Cooper Holmgren

Time of Preparation for Worship

Choir Introit: O, God, We Do Exalt Thy Name

Call to Worship
Leader: When we have lost our way, it is God's grace that calls us back.
People: We were lost, but now are found.
Leader: God receives us with mercy and rejoicing.
People: Let us worship this tremendous God of love.
Leader: And may our gratitude show on our faces!

Song: Love Divine, All Love's Excelling #92

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways and our failure to follow you in the paths of right relationship. We have gone astray and we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous and have given up on efforts to bring about justice, because ... what's the use. Have mercy on us according to your steadfast love. Sweep away the dust of our indifference and light a lamp within our hearts. Wash us clean, restore our value, and help us to live more faithfully as your found children. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:
Hear the good news: God never loses hope for us. When we are lost, God is on the lookout, searching diligently until we are found. In Jesus Christ, you are redeemed, restored, and celebrated with great joy by the angels in heaven. You are forgiven. Go and live in that joy! Amen.

Choir Anthem: No Greater Love

Scripture: Luke 15:8-10 - Cooper Holmgren

Sermon: "The Lost Coin"

Song: Amazing Grace

Prayers of the People - Deb Schiller

Offering and Doxology

Song: Jesus, Thank You

Blessing:

May you go out into the world knowing that you are a treasure God refused to lose. May the God who searches for the lost, both guide your steps, and may the Holy Spirit empower you to be a person of reconciliation. Go now, and share in the joy of the One who has found us all. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

For Adult Ed in April, Tessa will be leading the class through 3 Psalms. As we read the Psalms, we will hear and evaluate a song that coincides with the Psalm.

This study is designed to help tie scripture together, heart, mind and soul, as we don't just memorize scripture but call it to mind through song.

Please join us April 12, 19 and 26 in the Adult Ed Classroom, starting around 10:00 am.

In the Fellowship Hall, we have a display of colorful butterfly magnets! Please take a butterfly home and every time you see it, please pray for our VBS this summer!

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Please use the QR code to sign up or stop in the office to sign up– we have a paper sign up on the counter.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Thrift Shop Fashion Show this past Sunday!

We were able to see so many fun outfits that are available at the shop!

Thank you to Mike Chunko for taking photos of everyone's outfits, to Connie for being our MC and to Kathy and Taryn for organizing!

SUNDAY, April 19
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed, Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group
6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

MONDAY, April 20
10:00 a.m. Bible Study with Connie
6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group

TUESDAY, April 21
7:00 p.m. Deacons & Committees

WEDNESDAY, April 22
6:00 p.m. Choir
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

THURSDAY, April 23
7:00 a.m. Kiwanis

SATURDAY, April 25
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, April 26
Confirmation Sunday
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed, Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group
6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting