



# The Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle

If you tell people where to go, but not how to get there,  
you'll be amazed at the results. George S. Patton

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WORSHIP SERVICE  
DAY OF PENTECOST  
MAY 20, 2018 – 10:00 A.M.

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PRELUDE Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart Utterback

INTROIT: There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place Akers

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 104)

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

**Many: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

One: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

**Many: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;**

**All: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** #128 "On Pentecost They Gathered"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Merciful God, as we anticipate the strengthening presence of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, we acknowledge that our faith falters in the global headwinds we currently confront. We understand that by many measures the world is in a better place than it has ever been. But tensions are high around the globe and there is a pronounced lack of desire to work together to promote equitable prosperity for all, reduce conflict, respect truth and justice, and improve global**

health. Forgive us we pray. May the Holy Spirit give us the ability to speak the language of our hearts confident that we will be understood. May we listen deeply to one another that we may hear those sighs too deep for words and gladly respond with whatever balm we might possess to comfort those in need.

SILENT, PERSONAL REFLECTION

REJOICING IN GOD'S FORGIVENESS (Isaiah 64:1,8, 1 Cor. 1:8)

One: O Lord, you are our Abba! Father!

**Many: we are the clay, and you are our potter;**

One: we are all the work of your hand.

**Many: O Lord, do not remember our iniquity forever.**

One: Scripture promises you will strengthen us to the end, so that we may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All: Thanks be to our steadfast God!**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE (Red Pew Bible)

FIRST READING	Acts 2:1-21	Page 948
EPISTLE	Romans 8:22-27	Page 983
CHILDREN'S CHAT		
ANTHEM	Come Sunday	Ellington
GOSPEL	John 15:26-27; 16:14b-15	Page 940
	The Word of the Lord	<b>Thanks be to God!</b>
SERMON	Amazed and Astonished	Tom Buchanan, Pastor
<b>*MEDITATION HYMN #316</b>	"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"	

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CALL FOR GIFTS AND PLEDGES

(Please put **prayer** requests (green card) or requests for a **pastoral visit** (white card) in the collection plate as it passes.)

OFFERTORY:                      The Old Rugged Cross                      Bernard

**\*DOXOLOGY # 592**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER ("debts, debtors")

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

**\*CLOSING HYMN #315**                      "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

\*BENEDICTION

**\*PEOPLE'S AMEN #586** (sung)                      Traditional

*The service has ended; if you wish to leave, please do so quietly, or remain seated for the Postlude.*

POSTLUDE                      Lift Every Voice and Sing                      Johnson

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

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**– Welcome –**

We are delighted to welcome you today. If you are visiting, please make yourself known by filling out a white "Keep in Touch" card and dropping it into the offering plate. Please join us for fellowship and refreshments, in the Guild Room after the service.

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle is to grow in the Christian faith, to share our belief in God and to serve Him and our community.

We are a multicultural and intergenerational congregation which is welcoming to all.

Our church has seen more vitality and growth recently in welcoming young couples with small children as members marking a new beginning for our church.

The Presbyterian Church of New Rochelle will strive to continue to serve our community and city as we have done for more than 300 years.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Today's Worship Assistant is Brian Burke

Thanks to our ushers the Irigoyen family

Women's Association Tag Sale June 9; please bring sale items to the church office

Women's Association meets Wednesday May 30 at 10:00 in the Library

Special thanks to our musical guest Ray Blue

Tom Buchanan, Pastor  
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Tamara Cashour, Minister of Music and Choir Director

*All members are the church's ministers.*

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