

**WELCOME**

Rev. John Allen

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

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**PRELUDE***Neno lake Mungu (Listen, God is Calling)*  
Dr. Jane Hagness, organ

Anne Krentz Organ

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM***Welcome to God's Love*  
Adult Choir

Mark Miller

**LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

Ted Wickwire

*Fam'lies of all shapes and kinds,  
love the only tie that binds this gathering of open minds,  
welcome to God's love.***OPENING PRAYER**

**Welcome us home, God, with abundant love, a laden table, and lavish rest.  
Embrace us as we are: weary and worried, gratefully joyful, seekers with hope  
in our hearts. We are here to be changed by the extravagance of your welcome.  
God our Host, thank you for this place—our home. Amen.**

*Every person has a place, in this holy, sacred space,  
earth's entire human race, welcome! Come and feel God's love!  
No proof required of your worth, a gift to you before your birth,  
from God who made the heav'ns and earth, welcome to God's love.  
We'll love each other and take care of every need encountered there,  
within God's heart there is room to spare.***\*\*HYMN***Enter, Rejoice, and Come In*

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*Welcome! Welcome to God's love!  
Come, and live God's love!***SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 14:16-24

Jane Abernethy

**\*\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (Old Hundredth)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

**SERMON***"God's Party"*

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**\*\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION****MOMENT OF SILENCE****\*\*HYMN***As We Gather at Your Table*

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**\*\*HYMN***All Are Welcome*

See insert

**PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Rev. Francesco Marshall

**Our God, 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.**

**\*\*BENEDICTION****POSTLUDE***Plein jeu*  
Dr. Jane Hagness, organ

Nicolas Clérambault

*Please join us for coffee hour following today's service!***SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE (Whelpton)**

**Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God;  
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.**

**Bold text** = Please join us in voice!**\*\*** = Please rise as you are ableFirst Parish Church  
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