

WELCOME Rev. Francesco Marshall

PRELUDE *Prelude in C Major* J.S. Bach
Roger Powers, piano

OPENING PRAYER Rev. John Allen

Eternal God, draw our hearts to you. Guide our minds. Fill our imaginations. Use us—your church—to awaken the world to your love and to serve all your people with love. Through Christ, whose love enlivens our spirits, we pray. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

****HYMN** *Praise to the Living God* NCH #8

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 7: 36-39 Abby King

SERMON “Who Would You Invite?” Rev. Francesco Marshall
Christine Rudalevige

MOMENT OF SILENCE

****HYMN** *Help Us Accept Each Other* NCH #388

PRAYERS AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE (Whelpton)

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

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Light of Unity* Tom Trenney
Adult Choir

The utterance of God is a lamp whose light is these words:

Ye are the fruits of one tree and the leaves of one branch.

Deal ye with one another with the utmost love and harmony, with friendliness and fellowship.

So powerful is the light of unity that illuminates the whole earth: the light of unity.

Bold text = Please join us in voice!

****** = Please rise as you are able

****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.**

****PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Rev. Francesco Marshall

****HYMN** *O God in Whom All Life Begins* NCH #401

****BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Postlude in G* Gerald Peterson
Dr. Jane Hagness, organ

The annual financial meeting will begin shortly following the close of worship.

Annual Financial Meeting February 2, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Moderator, Laura Lee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

from June 30, 2024 Semi-Annual Meeting

CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT

Ted Wickwire, Chair of Church Council

2025 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Susan Weddle, Chair of Finance Committee

APPROVAL OF 2025 BUDGET

PILGRIM HOUSE ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Please join us for coffee hour in the Vestry following adjournment!



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