

**Sunday, November 28, 2021**  
**Old South Church, United Church of Christ, Hallowell, Maine**  
**Hybrid Worship, 10:00 am (Sanctuary)**  
**In Person Greeter:**  
**Zoom Greeter:**  
**Worship Assistant: Warren and Christine**

First Sunday of Advent

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Bible Bunch is on break until after Christmas. Please join us for our special Advent gatherings! The first one is TUESDAY at 4:30. Use the Bible Bunch link.
2. Pledges—if you haven't sent in your pledge card yet, please do so soon. Thanks!
3. Worship Sign Up—we need sign ups! The sign up is posted in the sanctuary and here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a094aa5a92ea57-oldsouth4>
4. Advent materials are available—after worship and in the parish house during office hours. Pick up an Advent “calendar” and/or “wreath.”
5. If you are joining us on Zoom, we encourage you to light a candle at home, when we light the first Advent candle in the sanctuary.

Welcome, Announcements, Joys & Concerns

Prelude      *Savior of the Nations, Come* (Douglas E. Wagner)

Call to Worship/Lighting of Advent Candle/Invocation/Lord's Prayer (adapted from ucc.org)      Warren

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.

Anthem      **“Come, O Come, Emmanuel”** Words by J. Paul Williams; Music by David Lantz III (Incorporating *Veni Emmanuel*)      Choir anthem

Come, O come, Emmanuel, come, and with your people dwell.  
Show us the way, the truth, the light; Come, Emmanuel, tonight.  
Come, O come, Emmanuel, come, and take our sin away.  
Come as the prophets told in the past; come Emmanuel at last!

Come, O come, Emmanuel, come, and let us worship you.  
God, here with us in manger birth; come, Emmanuel, to earth.  
Come, O come, Emmanuel, come, and with your people dwell.  
Show us our hope is not in vain; come, Emmanuel, and reign!

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

Scripture     Luke 21:25-36  
Sermon       Signs and Portents

Hymn        *Let All Things Now Living*                      Pew Book #47

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
To God the creator triumphantly raise.  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
His banners are o'er us, His light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished  
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces, the stars in their courses  
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
With glad adoration a song let us raise  
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!" Amen.

Words: Katherine K. Davis  
Tune: *Ash Grove*

Mission Moment                      Christine  
Offering

Offertory: *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* (John Purifoy)

Pastoral Prayer

Response

Blessing

Postlude     *Toccata on "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* (Matthew McConnell)

Fellowship

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### **WORSHIP ZOOM LINK:**

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