

**Welcome to  
Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ  
Hallowell, Maine  
Hybrid Worship (In-person: Sanctuary), 10:00am  
July 3, 2022**

*No matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

**Announcements/Joys & Concerns**

**Welcome**

**Prelude** "Meditation on "Materna" (Samuel A. Ward / Matthew McConnell)

**Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord's Prayer** Cynthia McGuire

One: Welcome, sisters and brothers, as we gather for worship. Be among us, O Holy God,

**Many: May we raise a joyful noise,**

One: And, lift up our gratitude,

**Many: For all of the many blessings that we experience as God's people.**

One: Let us pray: Holy and Loving God, be among us and inspire us in this time of worship. Help us to open ourselves to your presence in our midst, that we may be strengthened as your people, gathered together in faith and in trust, companions for the journey of faith. Bless us with your grace and help us to share your love and hope. In the name of our Savior, we pray, the One who taught us to pray together:

**Many: 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.**

**Special Music** "America (My Country, 'Tis of Thee)," (Traditional. arr. Cindy Berry)  
Don Reutershan, piano

**Scripture** Philemon 1-6

**Sermon** Women of the Early Church: Apphia

**\*Hymn** "Come, O Fount of Every Blessing" NCH #459

1 Come, O Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing your grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of endless praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unfailing love.

2 Here I pause in my sojourning, giving thanks for having come,  
Come to trust, at every turning, God will guide me safely home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God,

Came to rescue me from danger, blessed body, precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor daily I am drawn anew!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to you.  
Prone to wander, I can feel it, wander from the love I've known:  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for your very own.

### **Mission Moment**

Christine Bartlett

### **Offering**

**Offertory:** "A Prayer for Peace" (Lani Smith)

### **Communion**

Invitation

\*Hymn #336 NCH "Here, O Lord, I See You Face to Face" (verses 1 and 5)

1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;  
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;  
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,  
And all my weariness upon you lean.

5 We have no help but yours, nor do we need  
Another strength than yours to lean upon.  
It is enough, O Lord, enough indeed;  
Our faith is in your might, your might alone.

Communion Prayer

Consecration (unison)

**So as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room, send down your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and the fruit of the vine that they may become for us your body, healing, forgiving and making a whole. And that we may become, for you, your body, loving and caring in the world until your Kingdom comes. Amen**

Sharing of the Elements

Music: "A Prayer for Peace" (Lani Smith)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Pastoral Prayer

Musical Response

### **Blessing**

**Postlude** "I Love Thee" (Jeremiah Ingalls / arr. Patti Drennan)

### **Fellowship**

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**\*Please stand, if you are able**

**Greeter, In-person:** Daniel

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**Old South Staff:**

The Rev. Susan M Reisert, Pastor and Teacher

Mr. Bradley Krueger, Music Director

Ms. Cynthia McGuire, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Outreach Fund Focus for July:** Relief for Ukraine (through the United Church of Christ)

**SUPPORT the Ministry of Old South:**

1. Checks may be sent to the church PO Box 508, Hallowell, ME 04347 or directly to Wendy Wells: Wendy Wells, 9 Densmore Court, Hallowell, ME 04347
2. Online giving (credit card) is available through the Maine Conference. Please find the link on our webpage: <https://oldsouthhallowell.org/>

**HANNAFORD PROGRAM:** Next deadline: July 10

Send to Wendy at the above address, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.