

**Welcome to
Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ
Hallowell, Maine**

Hybrid Worship (In-person: Sanctuary), 10:00am

September 11, 2022

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

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude “Abide with Me, O God of Bethel” Matthew McConnell

Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord's Prayer Deb Morgan

One: Come, Beloved of God, the blistering wind of life is not the end.

Many: May the eye of the storm still us into wholeness and hope.

One: May the wind of God turn us around toward trust in Holy promises.

Many: May our promises to God be pressed anew into our hearts and minds.

One: May everything of excess be released and refined for Love's good work.

Many: May God's vision of a world made new arise from God's wind in and through us.

One: Be among us this day, we humbly pray, as we continue in prayer, speaking the words that Jesus taught his followers to pray:

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 “The Lord is My Shepherd” H. Smart Torrey Gimpel & Brad Krueger

Scripture Luke 15:1-10 Deb Morgan

Message “There Will Be Rejoicing” Richard Dorian

***Hymn** “Let Us Break Bread Together” Pilgrim #288

1 Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together....

3 Let us praise God together....

Mission Moment

Christine Bartlett

Offering

Offertory: "Variation VIII" *Variations on a Theme by Chopin* Federico Mompou

Communion

Invitation

Prayer

Consecration

Sharing of the Elements

Music "Jesus Paid It All" John Grape/Nigel Williams

Prayer

Musical Response

***Hymn** "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" NCH #417

1 This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on
Time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.

2 For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then,
Can make for us a world of difference, as faith and hope are born again.

3 Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past and leave behind
Our disappointment, guilt, and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.

Alt 4 * In faith we'll gather 'round the table to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings—our God is making all things new.

Blessing

Postlude "When I Can Read My Title Clear" PISGA/Dan Forrest

Fellowship

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

Greeter, In-person: Darlene and Galen Davis **Greeter, Zoom:**

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Pastor Susan's blog: hopeinthewilderness.com

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Old South Staff:

The Rev. Susan M Reisert, Pastor and Teacher (on leave)
Mr. Richard Dorian, Acting Pastor and Teacher
Mr. Bradley Krueger, Music Director
Ms. Cynthia McGuire, Administrative Assistant
Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Outreach Fund Focus for September: Disaster relief (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: Today, September 11. Send to Wendy at the above address, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.