

**Welcome to
Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ
Hallowell, Maine
Hybrid Worship (In-person: Sanctuary), 10:00am
September 25, 2022**
*No matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” Sacred Harp/Anna Laura Page

Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord’s Prayer Darlene Davis

Leader: The Lord calls us to grow in faithfulness.

People: Take away our greed and selfishness, O Lord!

Leader: The Lord challenges us to serve others in loving ways!

People: Help us grow in our service and witness to your mercy and peace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord who delights in our witness.

People: Let us praise God who is always with us. AMEN.

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

People: 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 Solo — Torrey Gimpel, soprano

Scripture Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Warren Bartlett

Message “Pathways in Times of Crisis” Pastor Rick Dorian

***Hymn** “Nearer, My God, to Thee” Pilgrim #351

1 Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee, E'en though it be a cross That raiseth me;
Still all my song would be, Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee.

2 Though like the wanderer, The sun gone down, Darkness be over me, My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be, Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee.

3 There let the way appear Steps unto heaven; All that thou sendest me In mercy given;
Angels to beckon me Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee.

4 Then, with my waking thoughts Bright with thy praise, Out of my stony griefs Bethel
I'll raise; So by my woes to be Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee.

5 Or if on joyful wing Cleaving the sky, Sun, moon, and stars forgot, Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer, my God, to thee, Nearer to thee.

Mission Moment

Christine Bartlett

Offering

Offertory: “More About Jesus” John Sweeney/arr. Tedd Smith

Pastoral Prayer

Silence, Prayer, Musical Response

***Hymn** “Guide My Feet” NCH #497

1 Guide my feet while I run this race, guide my feet while I run this race, guide my feet
while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain.

2 Hold my hand while I run this race.... 3 I'm your child while I run this race....

4 Stand by me while I run this race.....

Blessing

Postlude “Voluntary in F” Robert Lau

Fellowship

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

Greeter, In-person: Christine and Warren Bartlett **Greeter, Zoom:**

Worship Assistant: Deb Morgan

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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 UCC)

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: October 9th. Send to Wendy at the above address, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING/DISCUSSION: October 2nd, after worship, to discuss Old South's expenses. Please plan to attend. No vote will be taken on this day.

CHOIR REHEARSALS: Beginning this Wednesday, Sept. 28, at 5:30 pm. New singers are always welcome.