

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

**Hybrid Worship (In-person: Sanctuary), 10:00am
October 23, 2022**

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

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude “Jesus, Lover of My Soul” Joseph Parry/arr. Larry Shackley

Introit “Salisbury Introit” Mark Patterson Choir

Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord's Prayer Ron Bansmer

One: We come, God of the Journey, a people from different places, different histories, different lifestyles.

All: We come hoping to find companionship for the journey, solidarity for the struggle.

One: We gather, God of Hospitality, around your “welcome table,” a table not yet round, but rounding,

All: We gather seeking to become a “round-table people, welcoming of all, with no preferred seating, no firsts and no lasts,and no corners for ‘the least of these’” (Chuck Lathrop)

One: We yearn, God of the Rainbow, for a new way of living and relating.... As neighbors not strangers, as brothers and sisters not ‘them and us.’

All: We yearn to live fully celebrating both the diversity of our human family, and the unity of our call to love and justice.

One: We hunger, God of Abundant Life, for lives that have meaning and integrity, and for relationships grounded in mutuality and respect.

All: We thirst for places to bring our doubts, our fears; places to express honestly who we are. We thirst for hope and encouragement as we struggle to follow Jesus in the way of life-risking love.

One: With the gift of your grace we are nourished.

All: With the promise of your presence may we be strengthened to be faithful. Amen.

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.

Anthem "All the Earth Will Sing for Joy" Ruth Elaine Schram Choir

Scripture Joel 2:23-32 Ron Bansmer

Message "Repay the Years" Pastor Richard Dorian

***Hymn** "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" Pilgrim #213

1 Jesus, Savior, pilot me Over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll, Hiding rock and treacherous shoal;
Chart and compass come from thee; Jesus, Savior, pilot me.
2 As a mother stills her child, Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey thy will When thou sayest to them, "Be still."
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

3 When at last I near the shore, And the fearful breakers roar
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest, Then, while leaning on thy breast,
May I hear thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pilot thee."

Mission Moment Christine Bartlett

Offering

Offertory: "Bound for the Kingdom" *The Sacred Harp*/Anthony Giamanco

Pastoral Prayer

Silence, Prayer, Musical Response

***Hymn** "Let It Breathe on Me" New Century #288

1 Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me, let the breath of the Spirit breathe on me.
Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me, let the breath of God now breathe on me.

2 While I'm working, God, in your vineyard here, I cannot serve without you near,
O come blessed Spirit, so close to me that I may feel you breathe on me.

3 When the pathway, God, I cannot see, when the way is hard, O breathe on me;
Give me grace to know when you are near, then, I pray, O Spirit, breathe on me.

Blessing

"Go Out With Joy" Mark Patterson Choir

Postlude "Postlude on *Laudate Dominum*" C. Hubert Parry/arr. Richard Williamson

Fellowship

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

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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 October: Holiday Food, including Thanksgiving turkeys

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: November 13. Send to Wendy at the above address, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.