

**Welcome to  
Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ  
Hallowell, Maine  
Hybrid Worship (In-person: Sanctuary)  
10:00 am– Announcements and Community Joys & Concerns  
10:10 am– Worship begins  
April 23, 2023  
Hymn Sing**

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

**Announcements/Joys & Concerns**

**Welcome**

**Prelude** “Morning Has Broken”                      Gaelic/arr. Douglas Wagner

**Introit**

**Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord’s Prayer**

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

**Many: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

One: Sing to the Lord, bless his name;

**Many: Tell of his salvation from day to day. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!**

**In the name of our Risen Savior, we pray, the One who taught us to pray together: 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.**

**\*Hymn and Lighting of Candles**      “Because He Lives”      Pew Book #27

(words can be found on the Announcements page)

[During the hymn, those attending in person are invited to come forward and to light one of the votive candles at the front of the sanctuary. Those on Zoom may light a candle and keep it close by during the service.]

**Hymns**

Pass It On	Pew Book 33
How Great Thou Art	Pew Book 43
Here I Am Lord	Pew Book 71

**Scripture**

Luke 24:13-27

p. 90

Ron Bansmer

## Hymns

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore	NCH 173
Be Now My Vision	NCH 451
Come O Fount of Every Blessing	NCH 459

**Scripture**                      Luke 24:28-35                      p. 90

## Mission Moment

Christine Bartlett

## Offering

**Offertory:** “Fantasia on *O How I Love Jesus*” Jason Krug

**\*Doxology** (Pilgrim #515)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>	Silence, Prayer, Response
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## Hymns

Morning Has Broken	Pilgrim 38
All Creatures of Our God and King	Pilgrim 64
For the Beauty of the Earth	Pilgrim 66
Of the Father's Love Begotten	Pilgrim 111
For All the Saints	Pilgrim 306
God of Grace and God of Glory	Pilgrim 366

**Closing Hymn**    “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”    Pilgrim #182

**\*Irish Blessing in unison:** *May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. May the rain fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

\*“Peace I Leave with You My Friends” NCH #249 v.1 Choir & Congregation  
*Peace I leave with you, my friends, shalom, my peace, in all you do. Peace I leave with you, my friends. I give to you so you can give to others, too.*  
*To share God’s love is why I came, to show God’s kindness without end. Go now, my friends, and do the same, until I come again. Peace I leave.....*

**Postlude** “Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him” *Hyfrydol/Lani Smith*

## Fellowship

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

**Service Information:**

The Call and Invocation were taken from Psalm 96.

The pastoral prayer is from “Prayers of the People” by Richard Einerson

**Greeter, In-person:** Galen Davis

**Greeter, Zoom:**

**Worship Assistant:** Debra Morgan

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**Old South Staff:**

The Rev. Susan M Reisert, Pastor and Teacher  
Director

Mr. Bradley Krueger, Music

Ms. Cynthia McGuire, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

**PRAYER LIST** *Please notify us of any updates !*

Tim B, *heart attacks, requested by Tina*; Family of Phyllis Blake, *mother-in-law to Warren's nephew, Paul*; Jeff C. & wife Lucy, *radiation treatments for cancer, friend of the Bartletts*; Rev. Leslie Chatfield, *pastor of Rangeley Congregational Church, cancer*; Dick Cook, *Alzheimer's Disease*; family of Debbie Cronk; *Family of Dorothy Davis, Galen's mother*; family and friends of Chase Fossett; Torrey Gimpel, *continuing struggles with vertigo*; family and friends of Jane & Harmon Harvey; Alicia & son, *Tina's friend, difficult situation*; Jeff, *Johnsons' hairdresser, cancer*; Alice Johnson, *health issues*; Cathy, *Darla's daughter, health issues*; Connie K, *Warren's cousin, cancer*; Alta Liscomb, *health issues*; Lisa Lord, *health issues*; Maxwell family, *Susan's parents, aging issues*; Anne Makucin, *Bob McGuire's sister, chronic myeloid leukemia*; Family of Ernest McPherson; Bud & Hilda Merckens, *former pastor, health issues*; Nikki, *Becky's cousin, cancer*; Samantha Nowlin, *Riley's mother, depression & grief*; Lynne P, *friend of Bob McGuire, cancer*; Pam Payne, *Cynthia's cousin, heart disease and cancer*; Michael Pierce, *Cynthia's brother, health issues*; Bob & Carola Randall, *health issues*; Maxine Roak, *Cynthia's aunt, dementia*; Christie Souza; Ann Stinson, *friend of Cynthia, multiple myeloma*; Nona Thompson, *Cynthia's friend, lymphoma*; David Vanasse, *Cynthia's cousin, health issues*; *Family and friends of Emmitt Van Buskirk, friend of Johnsons*; Kathy Weeks, *Cynthia's friend, cancer*; Kristy Wolfington and family, *cancer*.

*Also:*

those who are homeless, hungry, isolated; caregivers; children and youth struggling with life issues; victims of gun violence; those affected by COVID by illness, job loss, health care workers & more; patience, for those working in and attending schools; the people of Afghanistan, Haiti, Turkey & Syria; people affected by natural disasters here and abroad; the People of Ukraine; the divisions in our nation.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**There are NO meetings this week.**

**BIBLE BUNCH**– Is on holiday until the first Tuesday in May.

### **UPCOMING SUNDAYS**

April 30– Pastor Susan will be away. Rick Dorian will lead worship.

### **NEWS&NOTES**

Are you receiving the church email that's sent out on Tuesdays & Thursdays? If not, send an email to the church office. We'll add you to the list! The News&Notes will keep you up-to-date on that's happening at Old South. It provides Zoom links and, occasionally, something amusing.

### **OUTREACH NEWS**

**Outreach Fund Focus for April:** Pilgrim Lodge

**BREAD OF LIFE DINNER DELIVERY**– The next one is Tuesday, May 2. The Sign Up has been posted.

### **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: May 14. Send to Wendy at the above address, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford