

**Welcome to  
Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ  
Hallowell, Maine  
Hybrid Worship (In-person: Parish House)  
10:00 am– Announcements and Community Joys & Concerns  
10:10 am– Worship begins  
February 11, 2024**

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

**Announcements/Joys & Concerns**

**Welcome**

**Prelude** "Almighty Love" William Billings/arr. Tracey Craig McKibben

**Introit** "I Was Glad" (Donovan Klotzbeacher) Choir

**Call to Worship/Invocation/Lord's Prayer** Erroll  
Adams, Jr.

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Many: God speaks to us and summons us.**

One: God gathers us in covenant,

**Many: God's glory shines forth.**

One: Let us pray:

**Many: As we gather for worship this day, Gracious and Holy God, we pray that You will be with us, holding us close and inspiring us to open our hearts and our minds. Help us to hear Your voice and to follow in faith. Renew us in this time of praise and wonder, that we may not falter as we endeavor to live in Your way. In the name of our Savior, we pray the words he taught: 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 & Lighting of Candles** "Bring Many Names" (*Westchase*) NCH #11

[In addition to the hymnal, words to the hymns 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/YouTube may light a candle and keep it close by during the service.]

**Psalm** Psalm 50:1-6 p. 519 Don Reutershan

**Scripture** Romans 12:1-8 p. 161  
Matthew 16:13-20 p. 18

**Message** Bring Many Names The Rev. Dr. Marisa  
Laviola

**Anthem** “Hymn of Praise” (George Blake)  
Choir

**Mission Moment**  
Christine Bartlett

**Offering** (for those who attend worship in person, you may come forward during the offertory, to place your offering in one of the offering plates)

**Offertory:** “Jesus, I Come” arr. Tedd Smith

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

You may sing the traditional version or the inclusive language version:

*Trad: 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.*

*Inclusive: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Pastoral Prayer**  
Silence, Prayer, Response

**\*Hymn** “God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years” (*Sandon*), Pilgrim #97

**\*Blessing**

**\*Sung Response** “God Be With You” (Donovan Klotzbeacher) Choir  
*God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels guide uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.*

**Postlude** “Sunshine in My Soul” arr. Terry Osman

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

## More Info/Contact Info

Call to Worship & Invocation adapted from “Worship Ways” at ucc.org.

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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

## Announcements and Hymns for 2/11/24

Welcome to Worship at Old South! We’re glad you are here!

**OFFICE HOURS**—Tuesday & Thursday, 9:00 - Noon.

We welcome the Maine Conference United Church of Christ Conference Minister, the Rev. Dr. Marisa Laviola, to worship today. She will offer the Message this morning.

## TODAY!

After worship, we’ll enjoy lunch together. Following lunch, we’ll move into our Annual Meeting. Annual Report booklets are available on the table with the stacks of hymnals.

## This Week:

Monday— choir 5:30

Tuesday:

NO Bible Bunch

5:00 - 6:30— Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, in the parish house

Wednesday:

5:00— Ash Wednesday service, hybrid, in the parish house and on Zoom (**use the Bible Bunch/Meetings link**)

## LOOKING AHEAD:

Wednesday, Feb 21—Bell choir rehearsals begin, 6:45

**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!

## **OUTREACH NEWS**

**Outreach Fund Focus/February:** Maine School of Ministry

**BREAD OF LIFE DINNER DELIVERY**– the next one is Tues, March 5. The sign up will be posted next week.

### **SUPPORT the Ministry of Old South:**

1. Checks may be sent to the church PO Box 508, 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, February 11. Send your check to the office, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.

## **TODAY'S HYMNS**

**Bring Many Names**

**(Westchase)**

**NCH #11**

1 Bring many names, beautiful and good, celebrate, in parable and story,  
Holiness in glory, living, loving God. Hail and Hosanna! Bring many names!

2 Strong mother God, working night and day, planning all the wonders of creation,  
Setting each equation, genius at play: Hail and Hosanna, strong mother God!

3 Warm father God, hugging every child, feeling all the strains of human living,  
Caring and forgiving till we're reconciled: Hail and Hosanna, warm father God!

4 Old, aching God, grey with endless care, calmly piercing evil's new disguises,  
Glad of good surprises, wiser than despair: Hail and Hosanna, old, aching God!

5 Young, growing God, eager on the move, saying no to falsehood and unkindness,  
Crying out for justice, giving all you have: Hail and Hosanna, young, growing God!

6 Great, living God, never fully known, joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,  
Closer yet than breathing, everlasting home: Hail and Hosanna, great, living God!

New Century Hymnal #11

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## **God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years (*Sandon*) Pilgrim #97**

1 God of our life, through all the circling years, We trust in thee;  
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, Thy hand we see.  
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,  
We own thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.

2 God of the past, our times are in thy hand; With us abide.  
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; Be thou our guide.  
With thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,  
And faith's fair vision changes into sight.

3 God of the coming years, through paths unknown We follow thee;  
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; Our refuge be.  
Be thou for us in life our daily bread,  
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

Pilgrim Hymnal #97

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