

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
May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

Music Sunday

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

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude “Come Down, O Love Divine” Ralph Vaughan Williams / Michael Helman

Introit “Be Still and Know” Donovan D. Klotzbeacher Choir

Call to Worship, Invocation and Lord's Prayer Don Reutershan

One: God of the journey, Christ of the Way, Spirit who comforts, chides, challenges and moves us;

Many: We work out how to walk Your path.

One: We gather as Your children, ready to listen and learn.

Many: Speak to us today. Speak among us today.

One: Let us worship, wonder and walk together.

Many: May we settle here and prepare to be unsettled.

One: Let us pray:

Many: Holy and Gracious God, keep us true to who we are. Enable us to use the gifts You have given. Bless us with Your Spirit, that we might build the foundations of Christ as we seek to be Your Church at work in the world. O Breath of life, come sweeping through us. Revive your Church with life and power. O Breath of life, come, cleanse, renew us, and fit your Church to meet this hour. In the name of our Beloved 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.

***Opening Hymn** “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” (*Spirit*) NCH # 286

[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 Ps 104:24-34 p. 555 Jane Campbell

Recognizing Our Musicians

Duet “The Prayer” (David Foster, Carole Bayer Sager, Alberto Testa, and Tony Renis)
Torrey Gimpel and Brad Krueger

Scripture Acts 2:1-21 p. 119

Message “Look Alive!”

Anthem “Let the Heaven Light Shine On Me” arr. Moses Hogan Choir

Mission Moment

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 or you may place your offering in the plate near the door as you depart after worship)

Offertory: “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” arr. L.Larson
C.McGuire/D.Reutershan

***Doxology** (Pilgrim #515)

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 and Response

***Hymn** “Holy Spirit, Truth Divine” (*Mercy*) Pilgrim #242
(words can be found on the Announcements page)

***Blessing**

One: Keep us true to who we are.

Many: Enable us to use the gifts you have given.

One: Bless us with Your Spirit, that we might build upon the foundations of Christ,

Many: As we seek to be Your Church at work in the world. Amen.

***Sung Response** “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name” (Ellers) Pilgrim #60 Choir and Congregation

*Savior, again to thy dear name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
We stand to bless thee ere our worship cease, Then lowly kneeling, wait thy word of
peace. Amen.*

Postlude “Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire”. WINCHESTER OLD/Lyndell Leatherman

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

More Info/Contact Info

Call to Worship, Invocation, Pastoral Prayer and Blessing all adapted from churchofscotland.org.uk .

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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 5/19/24

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

Welcome to Pentecost Worship! And, Music Sunday!

We are grateful to all of those who share their musical talent with us throughout the year:

Choir: Christine Bartlett, Warren Bartlett, Torrey Gimpel, Cynthia McGuire, Don Reutershan, and Bradley Krueger, director

Bell Choir: Christine Bartlett, Warren Bartlett, Carol Mitchell-Cusick, Terry Cusick, Bonnie Dufty, Riley Gimpel, Cynthia McGuire, Bonnie Nielson, Karen Rybka, Becky Symes, Wendy Wells, and Bradley Krueger, director

Guests: Jean Davenport, Joan Morgan, Dennis Farley, Bob Mills and family, Krueger family and friends, Pine Tree Academy Singers and Ringers

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

PILGRIM LODGE— go to pilgrimlodge.org for more info on camps and programs.

The Occasional Book Group next book– *James*, by Percival Everett. *James* is a novel that imagines the story of Jim, from his own perspective, from the *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. We haven't set a date yet, but it will likely be sometime over the summer. If you are planning to read the book and would like to attend the book group meeting, please let Pastor Susan know and she'll be in touch with everyone about selecting a date.

This Week:

Tuesday:

Bible Bunch, Noon, Hybrid
Outreach Team, 1:15, Hybrid

Wednesday:

Choir 5:00, Sanctuary

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/May: Pilgrim Lodge.

BREAD OF LIFE DINNER DELIVERY– the next one is June 4. 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
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, May 19. Send your check to the office, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.

TODAY'S HYMNS

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

(Spirit)

NCH #286

Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
And over the eons you called to each thing,
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.” *Refrain*

2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
And you goaded your people with a law and a land;
When they were confounded by their idols and lies,
Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*

3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
And down in the city you called once again,
When you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*

4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

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Holy Spirit, Truth Divine (Mercy) Pilgrim #242

1 Holy spirit, Truth divine, Dawn upon this soul of mine;
Word of God, and inward light, Wake my spirit, clear my sight.

2 Holy spirit, Love divine, Glow within this heart of mine,
Kindle every high desire; Perish self in thy pure fire.

3 Holy Spirit, Power divine, Fill and nerve this will of mine;
By thee may I strongly live, Bravely bear, and nobly strive.

4 Holy spirit, Right divine, King within my conscience reign;
Be my law, and I shall be Firmly bound, forever free.

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Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name (Ellers) Pilgrim #60

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