

**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  
October 27, 2024**

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

**Announcements/Joys & Concerns**

**Welcome**

**Prelude**    “Marching to Zion”                      Robert Lowry/arr. Lani Smith

**Introit**    “Enter Into His Gates”                      Donovan Klotzbeacher                      Choir

**Call to Worship, Invocation and Lord's Prayer**                      Bonnie Childs

One: Look to the Holy One and be radiant!

**Many: We praise God who is with us.**

One: We honor God who sustains and redeems.

**Many: Look to the Holy One and be radiant!**

One: We seek the Holy One who hears our cries with grace, mercy and compassion.

**Many: May we hear and proclaim, touch and know, that God is good. Bless the Holy One!**

One: Look to the Holy One and be radiant! Let us pray:

**Many: Gracious and Loving God, it is good to be with you in the company of these good people, our companions and friends on the journey. Help us, Holy God, to seek you, to pray to you, to listen to you. Make your presence palpable in the places we gather. May we be formed, informed and transformed by your lavish and bountiful love for your glory. In the name of our Teacher and Friend, 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**    “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”                      (Beecher)  
Pilgrim #228

[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.]

## Creative Project Reflection

Jane Campbell

**Scripture**            2 Corinthians 5:16-21            p. 181

**Message**        Bask in the Newness

**Anthem** “Praise Him, Alleluia!”            Eugene Butler            Choir

**Mission Moment**            Lifelight of Maine

**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:** “Thy Holy Wings, O Savior”            Swedish Folk/arr. Terry Osman

**\*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, Pastoral Prayer and Response

**\*Hymn**        “My Life Flows on in Endless Song”            (Endless Song)            NCH #476  
(words can be found on the Announcements page)

## \*Blessing

**\*Sung Response** “Go Now In Peace”    Cynthia McGuire    Choir and Congregation

*Go now in peace to love and serve our God.*

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*Love God. Serve God.*

**Postlude**    “For All the Saints”    (SINE NOMINE)    James Mansfield

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

## More Info/Contact Info

Call to Worship/Invocation

Greeter: Worship Asst: Cynthia McGuire  
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## Old South Staff:

The Rev. Susan M Reisert, Pastor and Teacher  
Director  
Ms. Cynthia McGuire, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Bradley Krueger, Music  
Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

## Announcements and Hymns for 10/27/24

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

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

## MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Tues, 10/29	Bible Bunch, Hybrid (parish house), Noon
Wed, 10/30	Worship Team, 4:00 (parish house)
	Choir Rehearsal, 5:00 (Sanctuary)
	Bell Choir, 6:30

## FALL EVENTS

Sunday, Oct 27, after worship-- presentation by **Lifeflight of Maine**

Sunday, Nov 3, after worship-- **Potluck and Time and Talent Auction** (potluck sign-up is posted)

MONDAY, Nov 4— pre-election prayer circles. Noon (in person, sanctuary); 5:00pm (Zoom; BB link)

Sunday, Nov 17, after worship-- **celebration of creative projects**

Sunday, Nov 24, **Stewardship Sunday**

## Fall Worship Series: Faith and Creativity

10/27— 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

11/3— 1 Corinthians 12:1-13; Remembering Sunday; Story Sunday

**BIBLE BUNCH**— Will start up again on Tuesday, October 15, at Noon (in the parish house and on Zoom). We will discuss *Freeing Jesus* by Diana Butler Bass. Newcomers are encouraged to attend!

10/15— Intro and Chapter 1

10/22— Chapter 2

10/29— Chp 3

11/5— Chp 4

11/12— Chp 5

11/19— Chp 6 and Conclusion

## **Let's Get Creative!**

It's time to share! Please put your project on the front pew, with your name & a description.

### **DATES:**

Due date for projects: Anytime by the end of October!

Roll out of projects: through October

Open House and Celebration: November 17 (tentative)

**The Quarter Fund.** If you come to worship in person and have some extra quarters weighing down your pocket or purse, you can put them in the tray on the communion/Bible/candle table. The quarters will help a couple of people who could use some assistance with laundry.

**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/October:** Neighbors in Need Oct. 27: LifeFlight of Maine  
**BREAD OF LIFE DINNER DELIVERY**– 11/5. The Sign Up is posted and is online.

## **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: November 10th. Send your check to the office, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.

## **TODAY'S HYMNS**

**Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

**(Beecher)**

**Pilgrim #228**

1 Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, All thy faithful mercies crown;  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation, Enter every trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit Into every troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit, Let us find thy promised rest;  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, almighty to deliver, Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, Nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love.

4 Finish, then, thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation Perfectly restored in thee;  
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Public Domain Hymn*

**My Life Flows on in Endless Song**

**(Endless Song)**

**NCH #476**

1 My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,  
I hear the sweet, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing;  
It finds an echo in my soul—how can I keep from singing?

2 What though my joys and comforts die? My Savior still is living.  
What though the shadows gather 'round? A new song Christ is giving.  
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging:  
Since Love commands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

3 When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells ringing;  
When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?  
In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging;  
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?

4 I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it;  
And day by day this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it.  
The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;  
All things are mine since I am Christ's—how can I keep from singing?

*Public Domain Hymn*

**Go Now In Peace**

**(Creative Project 2024 by Cynthia McGuire)**

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Love God. Serve God.