

**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
November 3, 2024**

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

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude “Adagio” (Piano Concerto in A Major, K.488) W.A. Mozart/arr. Lani Smith

Introit “Enter Into His Gates” Donovan Klotzbeacher Choir

Call to Worship, Invocation and Lord's Prayer Wendy Wells

One: Praise the Holy One as long as we live.

Many: Praise the Creator, who makes our days, who gives us breath.

One: Praise the Holy One with our whole selves– mind, body and soul.

Many: Trust in wisdom and honor, truth and love, grace and mercy.

One: Praise the Holy One for God is just, generous, compassionate, liberating and near.

Many: The Holy One reigns, lifting up the lowly and humbling the proud. Let us praise the Holy One!

One: Let us pray:

Many: Loving and Merciful God, what a joy it is to be in your midst. When we call out to you, you listen. When we seek you, we find you. When we long for you, we discover that you are already with us. Anchor our lives in your presence. In this time of worship, remind us of your goodness. Bless us with grace and confidence, that your love may be shown through the lives that we live, day by day. We continue in prayer, with the words Jesus 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.

***Opening Hymn** “For All the Saints” (*Sine Nomine*) Pilgrim #306

[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

Wendy Wells

Scripture 1 Corinthians 12:1-13

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Message Story: *Spoon*, by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Scott Magoon

Anthem “Remember Me” Deborah Govenor/transcribed by Craig Courtney 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: “Count Your Blessings” arr. Faye López

***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.

Remembering

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

*Hymn “As We Gather at Your Table,” (Beach Spring) NCH #332, verses 1 and 2

Communion Prayer, Story, Consecration

Sharing of the Elements

Music: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” Terry Kirkland

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Pastoral Prayer and Response

***Hymn** “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” (Grand Isle) NCH #295
(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.

Go now in peace to love and serve our God.

Love God. Serve God.

Postlude “A Joyous Song of Praise” David Lasky

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

More Info/Contact Info

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Ms. Cynthia McGuire, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

Announcements and Hymns for 11/3/24

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

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

MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Mon, 11/4

Prayer Circles:

Noon, in person, in the sanctuary

5:00pm, on Zoom (use the Bible Bunch/meetings link)

Tues, 11/5

Bible Bunch, Hybrid (parish house), Noon

Bread of Life Dinner Delivery, 4:30

Wed, 11/6

Choir Rehearsal, 5:00 (Sanctuary)

Bell Choir, 6:30

FALL EVENTS

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

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!

Open House and Celebration: November 17

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/November: Heating Assistance

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

For All the Saints

(*Sine Nomine*)

Pilgrim #306

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who thee by faith before the world confessed,

Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might:

Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;

Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,

And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Public Domain Hymn

As We Gather at Your Table

(Beach Spring)

NCH #332

1 As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

2 Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
May we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

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I Sing a Song of the Saints of God (Grand Isle)

NCH #295

1 I sing a song of the saints of God, faithful their whole lives through,
Who bravely labored, lived, and died for the God they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and another a shepherd in pastures green:
They were saints of God, if you know what I mean. God, help me to be one, too.

2 They loved their God and they lived that love. It was loving that made them strong.
They did what was right, for Jesus' sake, lived justly their whole lives long.
And one was a prophet, and one was a priest, and another was slain by a fierce wild
beast:
There is no earthly reason, none in the least, why I shouldn't be one, too.

3 They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still.
The world is filled with living saints who choose to do God's will.
You can meet them in school, on the road, or at sea, in a church, in a train, in a shop, or
at tea:
For the saints are folk like you and like me, and I mean to be one, too.

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Go Now In Peace

(Creative Project 2024 by Cynthia McGuire)

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