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Welcome to Old South Congregational Church, United Church of Christ
Hallowell, Maine

Hybrid Worship (in person: sanctuary)

10:00 am– Announcements, Community Joys & Concerns 10:10 am– Worship begins
November 9, 2025

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

Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Welcome

Prelude "It Is Well With My Soul" Philip P. Bliss/arr. Jerry Ray Don Reutershan

Introit "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" Donovan D. Klotzbeacher Choir

Call to Worship, Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Ron Bansmer

One: You gather us in, Holy God, to teach us Your ways.

Many: May we be open and discerning,

One: Willing in heart and spirit,

Many: To be about Your holy work,

One: Sharing love and hope and joy,

Many: With each other,

One: And with this community in which we live.

Many: Bless us, Wonderful God.

One: Let us pray:

Many: Gracious and Merciful God, we gather as Your people, seeking a new awareness of Your love for us and for all people. Help us, in this time of worship, appreciate Your blessings more fully, that we may find ourselves overflowing with grace. And, may we then offer that grace to others, sharing the wonder of hope and the joy of Your steadfast love, today and always: 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** "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (*Old Hundredth*) NCH #7
(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.]

Psalms from Old South

Scripture John 21:15-19

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Message “Got Questions? Jesus Did Too: Do you love me more than these?”

Special Music “What Wondrous Love Is This?” arr. Jay Althouse Christine & Warren Bartlett

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: “If With All Your Hearts” from *Elijah* clarinet/piano Cynthia and Don

***Doxology** (Pilgrim #515)

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

*Traditional: 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.*

Time of Prayer Silence, Pastoral Prayer, Response

***Hymn** “Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult” (Galilee) Pilgrim #322
(words can be found on the Announcements page)

***Blessing**

***Benediction Response** “God’s Blessing Sends Us Forth” (*Crusader’s Hymn*)

Tune of “Fairest Lord Jesus”

God’s blessing sends us forth Strengthened for our task on earth, Refreshed in soul, renewed in mind. May God with us remain, Through us the spirit reign that Christ be known to humankind.

Postlude “Come, Thou Fount” J. Wyeth and R. Robinson arr. Lloyd Larson Cynthia and Don

Fellowship

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

More Info/Contact Info

The photo at the top of the bulletin is from Google Images.

The Call to Worship and Invocation was written by Susan Reisert.

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Ms. Marcy Fullmer, Sexton

Announcements and Hymns for 11/9/25

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

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

THANK YOU! To Don Reutershan, for filling in for Brad today.

MEETINGS/EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Wednesday

4:00 Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary (New members welcome!)

5:30 Bell Choir rehearsal

Our FALL Worship Series: Got Questions? Jesus Did Too!

Nov 16: How many loaves do you have? Matthew 15:34

Nov 23: TBA

FALL EVENTS!

Sunday, November 16— Time, Talent and Treasure Auction and Potluck, after worship. The potluck sign up has been posted.

BIBLE BUNCH— is on a break until next month. We'll meet December 2, 9 and 16 to discuss Advent.

PSALMS! Have you written a psalm? If so, please share it! Please email it to the church email address and consider sharing it during worship in November!

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/>

OUTREACH FUND FOR NOVEMBER: Nov 2: Bread of Life Ministries; Nov 9, 16, 23 & 30: Holiday Giving

HANNAFORD PROGRAM: Next deadline: November 16th. Send your check to the office, or place in the offering plate. Please mark your check clearly for Hannaford.

TODAY'S HYMNS

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

(*Old Hundredth*)

NCH #7

1 All people that on earth do dwell, sing out your faith with cheerful voice;
Delight in God whose praise you tell, whose presence calls you to rejoice.

2 Know that there is one God, indeed, who fashions us without our aid,
Who claims us, gives us all we need, whose tender care will never fade.

3 Enter the sacred gates with praise, with joy approach the temple walls.
Extol and bless our God always as people whom the spirit calls.

4 Proclaim again that God is good, whose mercy is forever sure,
Whose truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure. *Public Domain Hymn*

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

(*Galilee*)

Pilgrim #322

1 Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult Of our life's wild, restless sea;
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, Saying, "Christian, follow me."

2 As of old, Saint Andrew heard it By the Galilean lake,
Turned from home and toil and kindred, Leaving all for his dear sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us, Saying, "Christian, love me more."

4 In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

5 Jesus calls us; by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience, Serve and love thee best of all. *Public Domain Hymn*

God's Blessing Sends Us Forth

(*Crusader's Hymn*)

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