



March 11, 2018  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
11:00 am

*A Note from the Minister of Music Search Committee*

The Minister of Music Search Committee rejoices to report that we have a candidate, Mitchell Crawford. He is joining us today to conduct and play portions of both First Worship and Festival Worship.

Following Festival Worship, all are invited to join the candidate in Mary Norton Hall to meet him and for Q&A. To read more about him see pages 8-9.



**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Andante in D Major

Felix Mendelssohn

\* *Indicates all who are able may stand*

\*HYMN 386

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Westminster Abbey



1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, the Head and  
2. All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
3. To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O God of  
4. Here re - new Your ser - vant's vis - ion, that by faith, they



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of our God and pre - cious,  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
Hosts to - day! With your con - stant lov - ing kind - ness  
may at - tain peace and hope, re - newed com - pas - sion,



bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's  
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
hear Your peo - ple as they pray. Give Your full - est  
strength to com - fort those in pain, Tears and grief trans -



help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.  
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
ben - e - dic - tion: grace to fol - low Christ the Way.  
formed to glad - ness in Your ev - er - last - ing reign.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy S. Taylor

One: In these days when it seems that we, as a people, are lost, are *so* lost –

**Many: We will follow the One who is the Way.**

One: In these days when deceit echoes in the halls of power –

**Many: We will follow the One who is the Truth.**

One: In these days when we hear – and hear again, and again – of  
mayhem and violence and death –

**Many: We will follow the One who is the Life.**

One: In these hard and mean days –

**Many: We will follow Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, the  
Savior, the Healer, the Reconciler, the Prince of Peace.**

\*A SIGN OF OUR UNITY AND RECONCILIATION

We invite you to greet those around you,  
Wishing them “peace” or “the peace of Christ.”

WORDS OF WELCOME

## RECEIVING

ANTHEM

Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates

William Matthias

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates,  
And be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors.  
And the King of glory shall come in.  
Who is the King of glory?  
The Lord strong and mighty in battle.  
Who is the King of glory?  
The Lord of hosts, He is the King of Glory.*

—Psalm 24, 7 - 10

SCRIPTURE

Mark 11:15-19

Martha Schick

Martha Schick is a regular at Jazz Worship, part of the Young Adult cohort, a member of the Music Minister Search Committee, and a member of the 350th Anniversary Tell-the-Story Task Force.

(Children may leave for choir and care.)

\*HYMN

When Jesus Came Preaching the Way of Our God

1. When Je - sus came preach - ing the way of our God, — with the  
 2. Since Je - sus came preach - ing the way of our God, — what a  
 3. Still Je - sus comes preach - ing the way of our God, — in a

love that has power to per - suade, the sick were made whole, both in  
 change in our lives he has made! How man - y have shared in the  
 world that is sick and a - fraid; the gos - pel is spread like the

bod - y and soul, — and — e - ven the de - mons o - beyed. But he  
 joy of their Lord, — in self - giv - ing have loved and o - beyed! But let  
 leav - en in bread, — by the love that has power to per - suade. So let

need - ed a few he could trust to be true, to —  
 none of us doubt what re - li - gion's a - bout, or by  
 none of us swerve from our mis - sion to serve that has

share in the work from the start: when Je - sus came preach - ing the  
 what it is shamed and be - trayed: do just - ly, love mer - cy, walk  
 made us his church from the start; may Je - sus, the light of the

way of our God, — the glad gift to the hum - ble of heart.  
 hum - bly with God, — is the rule Je - sus free - ly o - beyed.  
 world, send us out — in the strength of the hum - ble of heart.

SERMON

Anthony T. Livolsi

\*HYMN 476

My Life Flows on in Endless Song

*Endless Song*

## RESPONDING

### \*CALL TO PRAYER

John M. Edgerton

One: God be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: May the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts.

**Many: Christ is our peace, our light and our hope.**

One: Let us pray. (The people may be seated)

### PASTORAL PRAYER

During the prayer, we invite you to listen for the clergy to invoke one of the two “calls” and to sing the corresponding response at the third chime.

Call of confession: We humbly seek your mercy.



God \_\_\_ have \_\_\_ mer - cy. \_\_\_\_\_

Call of petition: We pray to you, O God.



Hear our prayer. \_\_\_\_\_

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

### CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM      Canticle of the Turning

*Irish Traditional*  
arr. John Ferguson

*My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,  
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,  
So from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!*

*Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,  
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,  
You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn.  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!*

*From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;  
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn.  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!*

*Though the nations rage from age to age, we remeber who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that out forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,  
'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around.*

*My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nancy S. Taylor

## SENDING

*HYMN 582	O God of Earth and Altar	<i>Llangloffan</i>
*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION		Anthony T. Livolsi
POSTLUDE	Allegro, Op. 105, No. 6	Charles Villiers Stanford



Meet Mitchell Crawford in Mary Norton Hall after Festival Worship for a Q&A session.

Close-Up, a 20-minute tour of the Sanctuary, begins following worship at the front of the Sanctuary. Led by docent David Becker.



It is with enormous enthusiasm, and absolute unanimity that we hereby present to Old South Church in Boston our candidate for the position of Minister of Music:

## **MITCHELL CRAWFORD**

Respectfully,

Phil Stern (chair), Ruth Edens (First W.) John Edgerton, (committee chaplain), Bob Kosturko (Choir), Zoe Krohne, (Jazz W. vocalist) Nancy Kukulian (Deacon), Sam Ou (Music Committee), Rory Razon (Festival W.), Martha Schick (Jazz W.), Nancy Taylor (Senior Minister), Deb Washington (Moderator)

In Mitchell's words: "It is with great enthusiasm that I submit this letter and resume in consideration for the position of Minister of Music for Old South Church. I've been fortunate to spend time at Old South. I interacted with members of the staff as well as the congregation, read bulletins and newsletters, pamphlets and cards. I asked questions and sought interactions, and observed as much as I could about the way Old South goes about its ministry. Doing so was my attempt to qualify the sense I'd had from the outset: that this was a church pushing ahead, united in vision and purpose, and unencumbered by the divisions that have hindered mainline denominations for decades. Being in the midst of Old South was, frankly, exciting!"

Conversations with Mitchell were heartwarming, sincere, earnest, and authentic.

In addition to being an excellent and inspiring musician, he's also fun, funny, approachable, and full of grace and kindness. — *Sam Ou*

Mitchell possesses the joy of music and a teacher's heart.—*Deb Washington*

With Mitchell, the legacy of a thoughtful, creative, talented, and pastoral Minister of Music will continue to flourish. —*Martha Schick*

Mitchell Crawford is not only an exceptional musician, he also possesses a pastor's heart. A true "Minister of Music". —*Bob Kosturko*



## **EDUCATION**

Master of Music in Choral Conducting, Florida State University (*Advanced training in conducting with Dr. André Thomas*)

Bachelor of Music in Organ Performance, The Juilliard School (*Advanced organ studies with Paul Jacobs*)

Diplôme (*avec mention en contrepoint*) L'Ecole Normale de Musique de Paris (*in completion of the European-American Musical Alliance program*)

## **WORK**

Organist and Director of Music Ministries, St. Stephen Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth Texas, 2016 — present

Organist and Associate Musician, The Woodlands United Methodist Church, The Woodlands, Texas, 2014 – 2016

Organist, First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Florida, 2012 – 2014

Interim Director of Music (2009 – 2012); Organist (2007 – 2008), Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York City, New York

Organist, The City Church, New York City, New York, 2005 – 2007

## **TEACHING & PERFORMING**

Instructor in Organ, Piano, and Music Theory, 2014 – 2016 *The Woodlands Academy of Fine Arts*

Graduate Teaching Assistant, 2013 – 2014 *Department of Choral Music, The Florida State University*

Teaching Fellow, 2007 – 2008 *Department of Theory, The Juilliard School*

Recitals at major venues, including Harvard and Princeton Universities, Alice Tully Hall at Lincoln Center, New York, as well as numerous churches, including St. Ignatius of Loyola (New York City) and Greene Memorial United Methodist (Roanoke).

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS** American Guild of Organists, American Choral Director's Association, Church Music Institute, Presbyterian Association of Musicians

## WELCOME TO OLD SOUTH CHURCH

Welcome to Old South Church in Boston. We are a progressive Christian church first gathered in 1669. The Church played a significant role in early American history. Today, Old South Church continues to outfit itself for mission and ministry in the 21st century as a thriving urban church in the heart of Boston. Join us immediately following worship for fellowship and refreshments in the Gordon Chapel.

The flowers today are given by David Newton – “For Lynn, I still miss you everyday.”

**SUNDAY FLOWERS** The Sunday Flower Calendar for 2018 is up in the first floor elevator lobby. Donating Sunday flowers is a special way to remember loved ones and special events. The cost is \$50. Put your name by the date you want and send the message you wish to appear in the bulletin to [helen@oldsouth.org](mailto:helen@oldsouth.org).

If you need to stretch your legs during worship the Gordon Chapel has full audio of the Sanctuary service throughout.

Name tags facilitate community and help newcomers feel welcomed. If you don't see a tag with your name on it, let us know. For **LARGE** print bulletins or hearing assistance devices ask an Usher.

### HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES

Old South has installed a **Hearing Loop** in the Sanctuary, the latest technology in hearing assisted devices.

1. If you have a hearing aid: the loop works directly for those whose hearing aids have a “T-Coil.”
2. If you are hard of hearing but don't use an aid: ask for one the devices that is paired with the loop.

Note: The sound will be best if you sit further inside the pews, away from the aisles. The loop does NOT work in the upper galleries.

### GARAGE PARKING VALIDATIONS

We have arrangements for discounted parking with two nearby garages for Old South Church worship or church business (excluding weddings and concerts):

1. Park at the **Garage@100 Clarendon** (behind Back Bay Station), have your ticket validated at our Front Desk, and **you** pay the discounted rate of \$7 for up to 3 hours. Old South bears no cost.
2. Park at the **Prudential Garage** for up to 5 hours on Saturday or Sunday, have your ticket validated at our Front Desk, and the Prudential Garage will bill **Old South** (costing us \$15k - \$20k per year).

## CALENDAR

<b>Sunday, March 11</b>	9:00 am	FIRST Worship
	9:00 am	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 am	Old South Café in Gordon Chapel
	10:00 am	350th Celebrate! Task Force
	10:00 am	Community Hour — <i>'Against the Powers'</i>
	10:00 am	Church School and Childcare
	10:00 am	Youth Group
	10:00 am	Festival Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Lectionary Bible Study
	11:00 am	FESTIVAL Worship, <i>Anthony Livolsi preaching</i>
	11:15 am	Children's Music
	12:15 pm	Meet the Minister of Music Candidate in Mary Norton Hall
Monday, March 12	9:00 am	Treasurer's Meeting
	6:00 pm	Theological Book Group
	7:00 pm	Christian Service & Outreach Committee Meeting
	7:30 pm	Spiritual Classics Reading Group, <i>'The Sparrow'</i>
Tuesday, March 13	5:30 pm	Handbells Rehearsal in Gordon Chapel
	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 14	12:00 pm	Men's Lunch Hour Small Group
	6:15 pm	Young Adult Book Group, <i>'The Meaning of Jesus'</i>
	6:30 pm	Young Adult Group, <i>'Strengthening Our Marriages'</i>
Thursday, March 15	12:00 pm	Women's Lunch Hour Small Group
	6:00 pm	JAZZ Worship
	6:30 pm	Festival Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Young Adult Book Group, <i>'Mere Christianity'</i>
	7:00 pm	Young Women's Small Group, <i>'Learning to Walk in the Dark'</i>
	7:00 pm	'Through the Bible' Study, <i>The Book of Joshua</i>
	8:00 pm	Social Change and the Church Discussion Group

**OLD SOUTH CHURCH IN BOSTON  
MINISTERS, OFFICERS AND STAFF**

Nancy S. Taylor, Senior Minister  
John M. Edgerton, Associate Minister ❖ Anthony T. Livolsi, Associate Minister  
James W. Crawford, Senior Minister Emeritus  
Kate Nintcheu, Director, Children and Family Ministries  
Donald A. Wells, Theologian in Residence ❖ June R. Cooper, Theologian in the City  
Calvin Genzel, Wedding Outreach Minister ❖ Ken Orth, Healing Worship Minister  
Carrie Swayne-Gerrish, Youth Leader ❖ Rebecca Bowler, Seminarian Intern  
Carolyn Davis, Director, Old South Preschool ❖ Emma Brewer-Wallin, Ministry Intern  
George Sargeant, Associate Organist and Choirmaster  
Willie Sordillo, Jazz Worship Music Director  
Peter Coulombe, Director, Old South Ringers ❖ Amy Budka, Children's Music Leader  
Tim Harbold, Director, Gospel & Festival Choirs  
Deb Washington, Moderator ❖ Rob Gabler, Clerk ❖ Lauren Berk, Treasurer  
Randy Billings, Chair, Board of Trustees ❖ Emily Click, Historian  
Stephanie LaShoto & Ralph Watson, Senior Deacons ❖ Vicki Newman, Pledge Secretary  
Helen McCrady, Senior Church Administrator ❖ Jamie Garuti, Communications  
Linda Van Praet, Accounting & Human Resources ❖ David Albaugh, Building Manager  
Allison Albaugh, Wedding Coordinator  
Elias Perez, Senior Sexton ❖ Ozo Nwodo and Oppong Serebour, Sextons  
Corey Spence, Rubia Reyes, and Lena Rojas Receptionists  
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**A NOTE ON THE INCLUSIVE DIMENSIONS OF GOD'S GRACE**

Old South Church in Boston, in the name of its host, Jesus Christ, and in the spirit of Christ's invitation carved into the stone of this church's portico, "Behold I Set Before You an Open Door," welcomes all who seek to know God.

Following the One who we believe is Sovereign and Savior, we affirm that each individual is a child of God, and recognize that we are called to be like one body with many members, seeking with others of every race, ethnicity, creed, class, age, gender, marital status, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression to journey together toward the promised realm of God.

We invite everyone to join in the common life and mission of our reconciling community through participation and leadership in this congregation, and by fully sharing in the worship, rites and sacraments of this church.

As we all move forward with the work of this church, we commit ourselves to making justice and inclusivity a reality in this congregation and in the world. On the threshold of Christ's open door, we rely upon the healing, unconditional nature of God's love and grace to be our help and guide.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY

*March 18th, 11:30am. Childcare and children's activities are offered throughout.*

### **Schedule:**

10:00am All-Church Worship (no 9am First Worship)

11:30am **348<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting** of Old South Church in Boston

12:45pm(ish) Brunch on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor in Mary Norton Hall

### **The Annual Meeting Agenda includes:**

Receipt of the 2017 Annual Report

Consideration of proposed amendments to the By-Laws

Christians in Formation Committee (minor adjustments)

The (G)RACE Speaks Committee (addition)

The Columbarium Committee (addition)

Report of the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

Report of the Minister of Music Search Committee

Leadership Report & Elections

Act of Memorial for loved ones who died over the past year

Report of the Treasurer and Trustees

Recognition of Outgoing Leaders and Installation of Incoming Leaders

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

One Great Hour of Sharing, as part of Our Churches Wider Mission, is the special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God's message of love and hope to people in crisis.

The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water, food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons, and emergency relief and rehabilitation. OGHS also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response. **To participate, please use the envelopes provided.** Thank you!

## COMMUNITY HOUR: AGAINST THE POWERS

This Lent, Old South Church explores the drama of Jesus' confrontations with the twin evils of injustice and inertia — the confrontations which led ultimately to his death. Sunday 10am Community Hour sessions, led by Rev. Anthony Livolsi, will probe deeper into the stories of Jesus' last days and crucifixion. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John each saw something different in his tragic end — but what?

## HOLY WEEK

**Maundy Thursday**, March 29, identical Tenebrae services at 6pm and 8pm in the Chapel.

**Good Friday**, March 30, service at 6pm. The Chapel will be open throughout the day for prayer and contemplation.

**Easter Sunday Festival Worship**, April 1 at 9am & 11am. Identical services featuring music for choir, brass and timpani.

The heart of the mystery of the Christian faith plays out during Holy Week. As we mark Holy Week this year, we are encouraging everyone to attend both our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services are closely tied together, with a re-imagined Good Friday service that is not to be missed.

The Maundy Thursday service features the wonder of our Jazz ensemble paired with the 40 voice chancel choir, dramatically retelling the story of Jesus' confrontation with the powers in Jerusalem.

Our Good Friday observance, at 6:00pm, picks up where Maundy Thursday leaves off. With the broken bread of last night's dinner still set on the table, this service tells the stark story of how human evil snuffed out the life of God's Son. This most tender and painful story of the Christian faith is told in word and music, with Willie Sordillo creating a brand-new musical setting specific to this occasion.

## SPRING HOSPITALITY HOST SIGN UP

The bulbs are already peeking through in the gardens! We will have Spring! That means it's time to sign up to participate in Old South's warm, inclusive, open door welcome for next quarter – April, May and June. Whether you'd like to usher, welcome, or bring and serve food, we need your help! **Today is the last day to sign up** - visit [www.tinyurl.com/OSCSpring18Hosp](http://www.tinyurl.com/OSCSpring18Hosp)

## EASTER FLOWERS

We are accepting donations of \$20 for the display of lilies, tulips, and cherry blossoms for Easter Sunday. Go to [www.tinyurl.com/OSC-online-giving](http://www.tinyurl.com/OSC-online-giving) and choose Easter Flowers for your gift. Cards will also be available at Church for the next several weeks. The donation deadline is **Sunday, March 25th**.

## CHILDREN & FAMILIES

### FAMILY LENTEN ACTIVITY: MAKING EASTER GARDENS

*Saturday, March 24, 9:30am-11:30am*

Make plans to join us for this special Lenten family activity! Kate will lead families through constructing an Easter Garden and through the events of Holy Week. The plan is for our gardens to sprout to life by Easter Morning (just like Jesus did)! RSVP to Kate Nintcheu [children@oldsouth.org](mailto:children@oldsouth.org) by Wednesday March 21st.

## ADULT EDUCATION

'FUN-AND-NOT-SCARY, AT-A-SNAIL'S-PACE READ THROUGH OF THE WHOLE BIBLE' STUDY: *New book begins Thursday, March 15th at 7:00 pm*. Join us as we embark on the next book in our journey: Judges. Reading the Bible chapter by chapter, book by book opens us up to new allusions, parallels, and rich insights. To join in, email Rev. Anthony Livolsi at [anthony@oldsouth.org](mailto:anthony@oldsouth.org).

## OLD SOUTH KNITTERS

The Old South Knitters are looking for new members! Needlecraft-newbies and seasoned crafters alike are welcome to gather informally in the Gordon Chapel during the 10am Community Hour on Sundays. Stop by with whatever you are working on, or pitch in making prayer shawls for those in the church who need warmth and love. For more information, contact Bethany Duca-Johnson at [BethJ4013@gmail.com](mailto:BethJ4013@gmail.com).

## FAITH INTO ACTION

### PRAYER VIGIL AT THE ICE DETENTION CENTER

*Sunday, March 18th, 2-3pm at the South Bay House of Corrections*

Join Massachusetts Communities Action Network as we come together as a visible symbol to our siblings' detention, to tell them that they are not forgotten. We will commit to taking real, meaningful action for change, and will discuss the many ongoing projects and campaigns that need our support. For more information, email [John@oldsouth.org](mailto:John@oldsouth.org).

## MARCH FOR OUR LIVES

*March 24th, 12pm on Boston Common*

Across the country, energy is building for gun reform among young people, parents, educators and more. March 24th is a nationwide day of demonstration and action seeking major gun reform, and there will be a sibling march on Boston Common. The march will start at noon, but Old South will gather a bit earlier near the Make Way for Ducklings statue and head over as a church. If you would like to attend, email [John@oldsouth.org](mailto:John@oldsouth.org).

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NOTICES 1) Worship services and events at Old South Church are sometimes photographed and videotaped to document the vibrant life of our church. If you do not wish to be included in these recordings, please notify an usher. 2) Please do not leave bags unattended in the building, including in the Sanctuary, for any length of time.

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