

May 19, 2019
Youth Sunday
11:00 AM

*Warning! To enter into the life of this people of God
is to encounter God's soul-challenging, life-changing, radicalizing love.
Will you join us? Do you dare?*

GATHER

PRELUDES	Magnetic Rag	Scott Joplin
	Menuetto Duet	Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
	Sonata in G Major	Ludwig van Beethoven

* HYMN 556 **God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens** HOLY MANNA

** Indicates all who are able may stand*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are here, God.

All: We are here to gather with one another and feel Your presence.

One: We are here to learn from one another in Your church.

All: To hear Your voice through the voices in this room.

One: Help us to listen, both to each other and to You,

All: So that we may do Your will when we leave this place.

*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

BLESSING OF THE KINDNESS COUNTER

*HYMN 558

O How Glorious, Full of Wonder

IN BABILONE

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

ANTHEM

Kyrie: Mother, Sister, Blessed, Honored
from *Missa Gaia*

Libby Larsen

Mother, sister, blessed, honored,
Life of the water,
Life of the flower,
Grant that we do not hurt ourselves
with vanity.

Mother, sister, blessed, honored,
Life of the water,
Life of the flower,
Teach us to care for all we touch
And let my prayer be heard by Thee.

Help us to feel and not to feel.
Teach us to act with care.
Teach us to be at peace with your will.

During the anthem the children are invited to leave for choir and care.

SERMON/REFLECTIONS Our Earth's Future

*HYMN 582

O God of Earth and Altar

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RESPOND

*CALL TO PRAYER

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Christ is our peace, our light and our hope.

One: Let us pray. *You may be seated.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: God, we know that we have not always done what's right for our planet.

All: In our individual actions and the actions of our society, we have harmed the earth.

One: Help us to make better decisions and care for Your creation.

All: Help us to call for change where it is needed, and be intentional in our own lives.

One: God, please be generous with us as we try our best to do Your will.

All: Set our hearts on fire — for people, for the planet, and for justice.

One: We pray together, saying:

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.

ANTHEM Each Winter As the Year Grows Older CAROL OF HOPE

Each winter as the year grows older
we all grow older too.
The chill sets in a little colder,
the verities I knew
seem shaken and untrue.

When race and class cry out for treason,
when sirens call for war,
they overshout the voice of reason,
and scream 'til we ignore
all we held dear before.

But I believe beyond all believing,
that life can spring from death;
that growth can flower from our grieving;
that we can catch our breath
and turn transfixed by faith.

RECOGNIZING GRADUATING SENIORS

Pieter Billings, Henry Bulkeley,
Laura Frances Goodfield, Patience Gubisch, and Abigail O'Brien.
For more information on their plans, please see page 6.

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY The Kingdom André J. Thomas

Righteousness, peace,
joy in the Holy Ghost—
That's the Kingdom of God.

Don't you want to be a part
of the Kingdom?
Come on everybody!

Oh, yes, there's joy in the Kingdom!
Oh, yes, there's peace in the Kingdom!
Oh, yes, there's Love in the Kingdom!

The earth is the Lord's,
and the fullness thereof.
We are part of the earth,
and it is part of us.

The perfumed flowers are our sisters,
The deer, the horse, the great eagle—
These are our brothers.

All things are connected.
Rivers, our brothers; earth, our mother.
The earth is the Lord's.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 562

Take My Gifts

TALAVERA TERRACE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Puck



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

The flowers today are given by **Suzanne Bacon**
in loving memory of her father **Malcolm Bacon**.

Senior Minister Nancy S. Taylor
is participating in this morning's commencement exercises
of the New England College of Optometry.

Information about graduating seniors deleted for privacy of students.

WELCOME TO OLD SOUTH CHURCH

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

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 children's bulletins please ask an Usher.

Need to stretch your legs during worship? The Chapel has full audio of the service.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

*Old South has installed a **Hearing Loop** in the Sanctuary.*

1. Our hearing loop works directly with devices equipped with a "T-Coil."
2. The sound is best if you sit further inside the pews, away from the aisles.
3. The loop does not work in the upper galleries.
4. If you would like to borrow a device paired with our system, please ask an usher.

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

Sunday, May 19	9:00 AM	FIRST Worship, <i>Katherine A. Schofield preaching</i>
	9:00 AM	Children's Choir
	9:00 AM	Youth Sunday Rehearsal
	9:45 AM	Old South Café in Gordon Chapel
	10:00 AM	Community Hour, <i>350th Faith in Action: Kindness Counts Campaign</i>
	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Lectionary Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Church School
	11:00 AM	FESTIVAL Worship, <i>Youth Sunday</i>
	11:15 AM	Children's Music
	12:15 PM	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 PM	Snowden High School Information Session
	12:30 PM	Gospel Choir Rehearsal
	12:30 PM	Climate Change Communications Group
	2:00 PM	350th Tell the Story Task Force
	Monday, May 20	6:00 PM
7:30 PM		Spiritual Classics
Tuesday, May 21	5:30 PM	Board of Trustees
	6:15 PM	Young Adult Book Group
	8:00 PM	Boston Handbell Festival
Wednesday, May 22	12:00 PM	Men's Lunch Hour
	6:15 PM	Young Adult Book Group
	6:30 PM	Young Adult Small Group
	7:00 PM	Music Committee

Thursday, May 23

12:00 PM Women's Lunch Hour Small Group
5:15 PM Gospel Choir Rehearsal
6:00 PM JAZZ Worship, *Katrina Forman preaching*
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Snowden High School Information Session
7:00 PM "Through the Bible" Study
7:00 PM Young Adult Book Group
8:00 PM Women's Christianity and Civic Life Small Group

Sunday, May 26

9:00 AM FIRST Worship, *John M. Edgerton preaching*
9:00 AM Children's Choir
9:00 AM Youth Sunday Rehearsal
9:45 AM Old South Café in Gordon Chapel
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Community Hour,
350th Faith in Action: Urban Mission Ministry
10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Lectionary Bible Study
10:00 AM Church School
11:00 AM FESTIVAL Worship, *John M. Edgerton preaching*
11:15 AM Children's Music
12:15 PM Fellowship Hour

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

Nancy S. Taylor, *Senior Minister*
John M. Edgerton, *Associate Minister* ❖ Katherine A. Schofield, *Interim Associate Minister*
James W. Crawford, *Senior Minister Emeritus*
Mitchell Crawford, *Minister of Music*
Kate Nintcheu, *Director, Children & Family Ministries*
Donald A. Wells, *Theologian in Residence* ❖ June R. Cooper, *Theologian in the City*
David Story, *Wedding Outreach Minister* ❖ Ken Orth, *Healing Worship Minister*
Martha Schick, *Youth & Young Adult Ministries Leader* ❖ Betsy Wooster, *Seminarian*
Carolyn Davis, *Director, Old South Preschool*
George Sargeant, *Associate Organist & Choirmaster*
Tim Harbold, *Director, Gospel Choir* ❖ Willie Sordillo, *Director, Jazz Worship Music*
Peter Coulombe, *Director, Old South Ringers* ❖ Amy Budka, *Children's Music Leader*
Deb Washington, *Moderator* ❖ Rob Gabler, *Clerk* ❖ Bill Bulkeley, *Treasurer*
Randy Billings, *Chair, Board of Trustees* ❖ Evan Shu, *Historian*
Stephanie LaShoto & Ralph Watson, *Senior Deacons* ❖ Vicki Newman, *Pledge Secretary*
Helen McCrady, *Senior Church Administrator* ❖ Jamie Garuti, *Communications Administrator*
Linda Van Praet, *Accounting & Human Resources* ❖ David Albaugh, *Building Manager*
Allison Albaugh, *Wedding Coordinator* ❖ Emily Ross, *Archivist*
Rebecca Bowler, *Administrative Assistant*
Elias Perez, *Senior Sexton* ❖ Ozo Nwodo, Oppong Serebour, & David Brode, *Sextons*
Corey Spence, Rubia Reyes, & Matthew Hennessy *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.