

*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

ANTHEM

Elijah Rock

Jester Hairston

Elijah Rock, shout, shout,
Elijah Rock comin' up Lord.
Elijah Rock, shout, shout,
Elijah Rock comin' up Lord.

Satan's a liar and a conjure too.
If you don't watch out he'll conjure you.
If I could I surely would
Stand on the rock where Moses stood.

- African-American Spiritual

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE

II Kings 2, *selected verses*

Bob Kosturko

*HYMN 358

God of the Prophets

TOULON

During the hymn the children are invited to leave for care.

SERMON

John M. Edgerton

*HYMN 320

Deep in the Shadows of the Past

SHEPHERD'S PIPES

*CALL TO PRAYER

Nancy S. Taylor

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.*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father,
And He will give you another comforter,
That She may abide with you forever,
Even the Spirit of Truth.

- John 14: 15-17

CALL TO THE OFFERING

John M. Edgerton

OFFERTORY

Now Pray We to the Holy Ghost,
BuxWV 208

Dietrich Buxtehude

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nancy S. Taylor

*HYMN 391

In the Midst of New Dimensions

NEW DIMENSIONS

*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

John M. Edgerton

POSTLUDE

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord, BWV 667

J.S. Bach



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

Today's flowers are given in loving memory of my mom **Shirley** by **Judy Fisher.**



LEADING TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Nancy S. Taylor, *Senior Minister*

John M. Edgerton, *Associate Minister*

Mitchell Crawford, *Minister of Music*

George Sargeant, *Assistant Organist and Choir Master*

Bob Kosturko, *Scripture Reader*

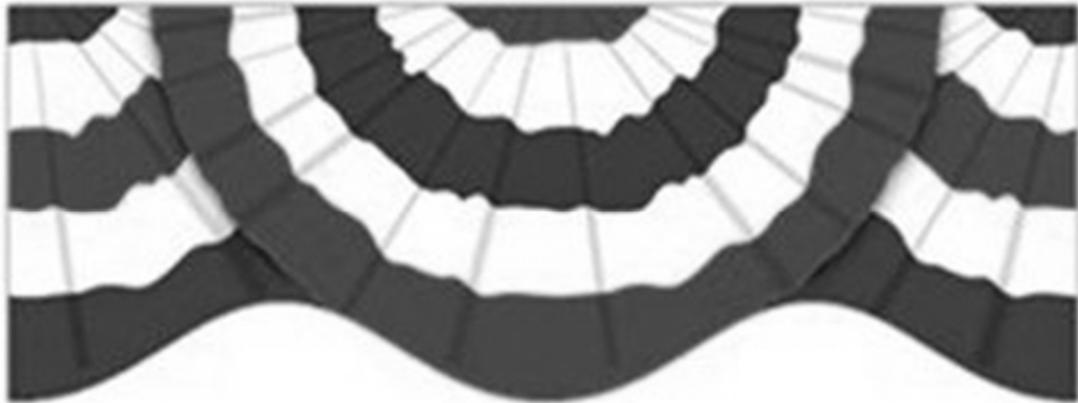
THOUGHTFUL PATRIOTISM

A Jazzy July 4th

Brought to you by the church of **The Boston Tea Party**

Thursday, July 4th at 6 p.m. on the Piazza

While the news coming out of our country every day is head-spinning, we believe many of America's core ideals are worth fighting for. We invite you to engage in some thoughtful patriotism this Fourth of July. Join us for singing and readings as we attend to the hard work of democracy.



WELCOME TO OLD SOUTH CHURCH

For LARGE print bulletins or children's bulletins please ask an Usher.
The Chapel has full audio of the service if you need to stretch your legs.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Our hearing loop works directly with devices equipped with a "T-Coil." The sound is best if you sit further inside the pews, away from the aisles. The loop does not work in the upper galleries. 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). For more information check out <https://www.oldsouth.org/your-first-visit> or see the front desk.

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT OLD SOUTH

Check out the church website at www.oldsouth.org/calendar for the calendar of events, and the general website www.oldsouth.org for more on the history, staff, and other great information about this storied ship of faith!

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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.