

Old South Church
Copley Square, Boston
A Congregation of the
United Church of Christ
Gathered 1669

July 17th, 2022 **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

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

PRELUDE Cantabile César Franck

*HYMN 306 The Church of Christ, in Every Age WAREHAM

*CALL TO WORSHIP Richard E. Spalding

One: The world belongs to God

Many: the earth and all its people.
One: Love and faith come together:

Many: Justice and peace join hands.
One: If Christ's disciples keep silent

Many: these stones would shout aloud.

One: Creating God, Maker of all:

Many: be with us this day.

One: Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor:

Many: be with us this day.

^{*} Indicates all who are able may stand

One: Holy Spirit, Breath of life: Many: be with us this day.
One: Let us worship God
Many: in the beauty of holiness.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Please greet those around you, wishing them "peace" or "the peace of Christ."

*SUNG RESPONSE

Congregation: (refrain)



Choir:

You are the family of God; you are the promise divine. You are God's chosen desire; you are the glorious new wine. (refrain)

WELCOME

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE Luke 10:25-37 Laura Walker Dunn

Following the reading, children who wish to may meet childcare staff in the back of the sanctuary and proceed to the 3rd floor.

SERMON Enemies Shawn M. Fiedler

*HYMN 541 They Asked, "Who's My Neighbor?" NEIGHBOR

RESPOND

*CALL TO PRAYER Donald A. Wells

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. (please be seated)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

O Gracious and Loving God, 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 Micah 6:8 Jim Strathdee

What does the Lord require of you? To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

CALL TO THE OFFERING Howard Cha-Young Kim

OFFERTORY Ubi Caritas Bob Moore

Ubi caritas et amor. Deus ibi est.

Where there is charity, where there is love, God is there.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 425 For the Fruit of All Creation AR HYD Y NOS

*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION Shawn M. Fiedler

*SUNG RESPONSE



POSTLUDE Sortie: Grand Chœur, Op. 122, No. 8 Louis-James-Alfred Lefébure-Wely



Join us for Refreshments & Fellowship outside under the Portico (weather permitting) or in the Gordon Chapel following the Postlude.

The Flowers today are given by Dick and Elinor Yeo in celebration and with thanksgiving upon their 62nd Wedding Anniversary.

Close-Up, a twenty minute tour of the Sanctuary, begins following Worship at the front of the Sanctuary.

Led by docent Liz Morgan.



WELCOME TO OLD SOUTH CHURCH

For LARGE print bulletins or children's bulletins, please ask an Usher.

Restrooms are available. Just ask!

An accessible, single-use restroom is available near Reception.

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 church in the heart of Boston.

If you are interested in deepening your participation, or if you just love Old South, it's time to think about **membership**. Contact Interim Associate Minister Katherine Schofield at katherine@oldsouth.org

HEARING ASSISTANCE

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 www.oldsouth.org/your-first-visit or see the front desk.

LEARN MORE

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

OLD SOUTH CHURCH IN BOSTON MINISTERS, OFFICERS, & STAFF

Richard E. Spalding, Interim Senior Minister

James W. Crawford, Senior Minister Emeritus Nancy S. Taylor, Senior Minister Emeritus

Katherine A. Schofield, Interim Associate Minister Shawn M. Fiedler, Acting Associate Minister

Donald A. Wells, Theologian in Residence June R. Cooper, Theologian in the City

Howard Cha-Young Kim, Pastoral Resident

David Story, Wedding Minister Ken Orth, Healing Worship Minister

Mitchell Crawford, Minister of Music
George Sargeant, Associate Organist & Choirmaster
Tim Harbold, Director, Gospel Choir & Willie Sordillo, Director, Jazz Worship Music
Peter Coulombe, Director, Old South Ringers

Kate Nintcheu, Director, Children & Family Ministries Summer Marsh, Director, Old South Preschool

Helen McCrady, Senior Church Administrator * John Braught, Director of Operations
Jamie Garuti, Multimedia Director * Linda Van Praet, Accounting & Human Resources
Alex Pickering, Administrative Assistant * Emily Ross, Archivist & Part-time Bookkeeper
Ralph Watson, Snowden Partnership Coordinator * Karen Hand, Wedding Coordinator
Rémy Hatfield-Gardner and William Wei, Livestream Production Assistants

Elias Perez, Senior Sexton Ozo Nwodo, Richard Serebour, and David Brode, Sextons
Corey Spence, Weekday Receptionist

Shirley Bivins, Shelia Randolph, and George Sargeant, Evening Weekend Receptionists

Phil Stern, Moderator & Rob Gabler, Clerk & Bill Bulkeley, Treasurer
Kristi Geary, Chair, Board of Trustees & Kate Silfen, Historian
Paul Brouillette & Susan Navia, Senior Deacons & Vicki Newman, Pledge Secretary

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.



GODSPEED REV. SHAWN

Acting Associate Minister Shawn Fiedler has accepted a new position at the Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, Illinois. His final Sunday with Old South Church is Sunday, August 28. Mark your calendars! To read Shawn's letter to the church, along with a letter from Rick Spalding and lay leaders of Old South visit oldsouth.org/news.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, July 20th, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall

The Red Cross continues to experience a severe blood shortage. Want to help out? Donate blood to help end the critical shortage status with the Red Cross. Visit tinyurl.com/BloodDriveOSC or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule an appointment.

PASTORAL TRANSITION

Coming from Maren by Thursday morning

GREEN TIP: PLASTIC FREE JULY PACK A WASTE-FREE LUNCH

Did you know that a person creates an average of 4.5 lbs of trash per day? Now is the time to reduce the number of items in your lunch that must be thrown out, or only use those that can be eaten, reused, recycled, or composted. Make this change as part of Plastic Free July, a global movement that empowers us to be part of the solution to plastic pollution. Take the pledge here.

THROUGH THE BIBLE

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., 4th Floor Phillis Wheatley Room and on Zoom.

Join us as we journey at a reflective and thorough pace through the Hebrew Bible. We're currently reading through Psalms. For more information email howard@oldsouth.org.

THE CRAWFORD LIBRARY

The Crawford Library, open to church members during business hours, contains books on social justice, religious history and Christian ethics and biography that may interest you. You may borrow, read and return them. All are welcome.

NOTES ON THIS WEEK'S FESTIVAL WORSHIP PRELUDE

19th century French composer César Franck was a child prodigy whose impresario father's attempts to foist him on the secular music world met with resistance from many a critic and eventually led to a rift between father and son. Franck settled into a much more traditional career as a teacher at the Paris Conservatory and as organist at the Church of St. Clothilde, where the organ constructed by revolutionary organ builder Aristide Cavaille-Coll was at his disposal. Franck's compositions and Cavaille-Coll's organs shaped the direction that the French organ world would go for nearly the next century.

The Cantabile is the second and shortest of a set of three pieces for organ written for the inauguration of the new Cavaille-Coll organ at the Trocadero Palace in Paris as part of the 1878 French Exhibition, a celebration of France's recovery from a devastating war with Prussia earlier that decade. It is in three sections, the first of which features a deceptively simple melody played on a solo trumpet stop and heard first in the soprano voice, then in the tenor. The second treats the melody in canon between right hand and pedal. Finally, the opening material returns transformed, the solo trumpet giving way to the oboe stop that has been quietly reinforcing it from the beginning.

—George Sargeant, Associate Organist and Choirmaster

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ALL-CHURCH RETREAT

Friday, September 30^{th} – Sunday, October 2^{nd} , at the Craigville Retreat Center We've booked the rooms so plan to join us on Cape Cod for our annual All-Church Retreat.

MASKED SECTION OF THE SANCTUARY

Did you know that we have a masked section of the sanctuary? We do! It's in the left transept (under the balcony). In this section, masks are required. If you still aren't sure how to get to this section, ask an usher! At this time, we are not able to accommodate a masked section in the Gordon Chapel.

WEEKLY WORSHIP

Join us in person, on Vimeo, Facebook, and YouTube
JAZZ Worship, Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.
FIRST Worship Sundays at 9:00 a.m.
FESTIVAL Worship Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
HEALING Worship, the second Sunday at 12:30 p.m. via Zoom



To give via ApplePay, GooglePay, or with a Credit Card, scan the QR code with your smartphone camera.

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 the Sanctuary, for any length of time.