

August 4, 2019  
Eighth 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

\*HYMN 565                      **God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending**                      AUSTRIAN HYMN

\*CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 107:1-9*                      Nancy S. Taylor

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: for God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

**All: those God redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**

One: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town;

**All: hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.**

One: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,

**All: and God delivered them from their distress; God led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.**

*\* Indicates all who are able may stand*



\*HYMN

### All Who Love and Serve Your City



All who love and serve your cit - y, all who bear its dai - ly stress,  
In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed work and wast - ed play,  
For all days are days of judg - ment, and the Lord is wait - ing still,  
Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the cit - y of de - spair?



all who cry for peace and jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless:  
call to mind the word of Je - sus, "You must work while it is day."  
draw - ing near a world that spurns him, of - fering peace from Cal - vary's hill.  
Come to - day, our judge, our glo - ry. Be it said "The Lord is there!"

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

SERMON

Attachments

Calvin R. Genzel

\*HYMN 423

### Great Is Your Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

\*CALL TO PRAYER

John M. Edgerton

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 (unison)

**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

*Ubi Caritas*

Bob Moore

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.*

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

## RESPOND

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision

John Ferguson, *arr.*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;  
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;  
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of Heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Nancy S. Taylor

\*HYMN 23

**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

IN BABILONE

\*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Calvin R. Genzel

POSTLUDE



**Today's Worship Leaders:**

**Nancy S. Taylor**, *Senior Minister*  
**Christy Charlot**, *Old South Member & Childcare Staff*  
**Mitchell Crawford**, *Minister of Music*  
**John M. Edgerton**, *Associate Minister*  
**Calvin R. Genzel**, *former Wedding Outreach Minister*  
**George Sargeant**, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster*

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

Today's flowers are given in memory  
of all those who went before us  
by **Elizabeth & Betty Pitcher**

## **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](http://www.oldsouth.org/calendar) for a calendar of events, and the general website [www.oldsouth.org](http://www.oldsouth.org) for more on the history, staff, and other 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.