



**“When they
had brought their
boats to shore,
they left everything
and followed him.”**

LUKE 5:11

All-Church Worship Old South Church *in Boston*

January 23rd, 2022 ❖ 10:00 a.m.

Stepping Into Discipleship

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

Given the unprecedented surge in COVID-19 infections driven by the Omicron variant, Old South's Blue Ribbon Task Force has recommended a pause on ensemble singing in the church, including congregational hymn singing, through February 13th at the earliest. We appreciate your patience during this challenging period. If you are joining us at home, feel free to sing out!

PRELUDE

Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult (Galilee)

Emma Lou Diemer

Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult

(vv. 1, 3 and 5 *only*)

1 Je - sus calls us, o'er the
 3 Je - sus calls us from the
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your

tu - mult of our life's wild, rest-less sea; Day by
 wor - ship of the trea - sures we a - dore, From each
 mer - cies, Sav - ior, may we hear your call, Give our

day that voice still calls us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low
 i - dol that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me
 hearts to your o - be - dience, serve and love you best of

Last time only

me," say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."
 more," say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."
 all, serve and love you best of all.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Jessica Young Chang

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

RESPONSE

Gathered in God's Name

Gathered in God's name 'round the living Word.
 Gathered as one family in the name of love.
 Gathered from near and far, gathered in this holy place,
 gathered as strangers and friends, gathered and gifted by grace.
 Gathered in God's name 'round the living Word.
 Gathered as one family in the name of love.

WELCOME

INVOCATION

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Matthew James Killelea

Son of Anne and Kevin Killelea;

Brother to Mae and Norah.

Laila Skramstad and Glenn Gallagher, Godparents

PRESENTATION AND INTRODUCTION

Nancy S. Taylor

LITANY OF BAPTISM

One: We are gathered to present Matthew James to the Church and to dedicate him to God. What can we affirm about him?

Many: He is a child of God, made in God's image.

One: As Matthew grows and matures, how will he know he is a child of God and how will he learn of the Christian story?

Many: We will tell him about Abraham and Sarah, the parents of our faith; about Moses and Miriam who led our ancestors out of bondage; about Mary and Joseph's openness to mystery; about the Savior, Jesus.

One: In turn, what will we expect of Matthew?

Many: We look forward to sitting with him at the Lord's Table, sharing with him the costs and joys of discipleship, learning and growing with him in the Christian pilgrimage, and declaring with one voice our faith in God and God's son, Jesus.

One: Do you, Anne and Kevin, parents, assume your primary responsibility for fulfilling these expectations by growing with Matthew in the Christian faith, helping him to become a faithful member of the church of Jesus Christ, and by offering him the nurture and support of the Christian church? And do you, Laila and Glenn, godparents, agree to guide Matthew into becoming an engaged and complete human being, teaching him about personal sacrifice for a greater good, about grace and reconciliation at times of human weakness, and the power of unconditional love for all people?

Parents and Godparents: We happily and genuinely accept this serious duty.

One: Old South Church, do you pledge to maintain a nurturing & challenging Christian environment for Matthew?

Many: We do, for he belongs to us as well.

One: Then, may God be with us.

Many: God help us. Amen.

BLESSING THE WATER

BAPTISM

CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

Donna Matson, *Deacon*

We rejoice in God's empowering love, freely given to each and all. We welcome you, newly baptized, into the circle of love in Christ's Church. We promise to pray for you, to seek the depths of faith with you, to support you, and to love you. We covenant with you to love God with all our hearts, minds, souls, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE

Luke 5:1-11

Shawn M. Fiedler

REFLECTOR

Jonathan Aleshire

*Jonathan Aleshire is the Senior Associate Director of Admissions at Brandeis University.
A member since 2012, Jonathan is a deacon of Old South Church and serves on the Music Committee.*

CALL TO PRAYER

Katherine A. Schofield

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.

PASTORAL 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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

Oh, Had I Jubal's Lyre
from Joshua (HWV 64)
Kate Wood, soprano

George Frideric Handel

Oh, had I Jubal's lyre, or Miriam's tuneful voice!
To sounds like his I would aspire, in songs like hers rejoice.
My humble strains but faintly show how much to heaven and thee I owe.

RESPOND

CALL TO THE OFFERING

Nancy S. Taylor



*To give via ApplePay, GooglePay,
or with a Credit Card,
scan the QR code with your
smartphone camera.
You can also Text 44-321
and enter OSC to make a gift*

OFFERTORY

Borning Cry
The Old South Ringers
Peter Coulombe, *director*

Suzanne Hibbard

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of Change and Glory (v. 1 only)

C G C F G C

1 God of change and glo - ry, God of time and space,
 2 God of man - y col - ors, God of man - y signs,
 3 Fresh-ness of the morn - ing, new - ness of each night,

E Am D7 G

when we fear the fu - ture, give to us your grace.
 you have made us dif - ferent, bless - ing man - y kinds.
 you are still cre - at - ing end - less love and light.

G7 C F C G7 C G C

In the midst of chang-ing ways give us still the grace to praise.
 As the old ways dis - ap - pear, let your love cast out our fear.
 This we see, as shad - ows part, man - y gifts from one great heart.

Refrain
C F G C F C

Man - y gifts, one Spir - it, one love known in man - y ways.



The flowers today are given
in remembrance of Anne Flaherty O'Donnell and clan
by Jim O'Donnell.

Close-Up, a twenty minute tour of the Sanctuary,
begins following Worship at the front of the Sanctuary.
Led by docent Chuck Gerlinger.



INFORMATION ABOUT OLD SOUTH

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

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OLD SOUTH CHURCH IN BOSTON MINISTERS, OFFICERS, & STAFF

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



OLD
SOUTH
CHURCH
in BOSTON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEPPING INTO DISCIPLESHIP

Consecration Thursday January 27th and Sunday January 30th

featuring the Wille Sorillo Ensemble cooking up some New Orleans style jazz (for sax, guitar, bass, drums and vocals) just for you. Come, swing, sway and celebrate to: Just a Closer Walk with Thee, Jesus on the Mainline, When the Saints Go Marchin' In, Does Anyone Here Love My Jesus?, and Iko, Iko. The Stewardship Committee is planning some sweet treats as you depart the sanctuary. Thank you and bless you for being as wind in the sails of this great ship of faith.

Stepping
into God's
future 

TRAVELING SOUP KITCHEN

Saturday, January 29th, 10 a.m. to noon, 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall

We will meet in Mary Norton Hall, prepare and pack our meals and then take to the streets to deliver them. Due to COVID we will limit our numbers, masks will be required and we ask if you sign up but are not feeling well on Saturday, please stay home. If you would like to help, please email Ralph Watson.

JOIN OLD SOUTH'S WINTER WALK 2022 TEAM

Sunday, February 13th, 9:00 a.m., Copley Square

The Winter Walk is a 2-mile walk through Boston to highlight and raise funds for issues are homelessness and lack of housing in Boston. We are forming an Old South Team to take part in the walk. The registration fee is \$100.00 (there may be funds available to cover the cost if you are not able to). If you would like to join the team, or have questions, please email Ralph Watson. There is also a virtual option if you would like to take part but not about to do the 2 miles at one time, or would like to keep distance due to COVID.

THE MAGI HAVE ARRIVED!

Our annual **Stewardship campaign** to fuel Old South's 2022 ministries of mercy, justice, and beauty has begun! Together we join the three kings in presenting our very best to God and God's future. The theme for 2022 is *Stepping Into God's Future*—quite apt as we walk together into times of transition, challenges and the unknown!

Join us as we

- listen to inspiring reflections by Old Southerners during worship in January
- consider prayerfully what contribution you can make in 2022.
- prepare to celebrate our congregation's steadfast generosity at hybrid celebrations on Thursday, January 27 and Sunday, January 30.

A 2022 Commitment Card will be arriving in the mail soon, along with your 2021 Giving Statement. You can also pledge online by going to tinyurl.com/OSCGiving2022.

Giving Envelopes for 2022 are now available at the Church. If you would like envelopes contact Helen McCrady, helen@oldsouth.org.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY HOUR FORUMS

*Sundays, following All-Church Worship, 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall,
and on Zoom at tinyurl.com/OSCForum*

January 23rd, Meet Our New Pastoral Resident: Howard Cha-Young Kim.

Welcome Howard, who is beginning his two-year residency at OSC this January through the Urban Pastoral Ministry Program (funded by the Lilly Endowment, in partnership with City Mission). Howard is a 2020 graduate of Duke Divinity School and is on the ordination track with his home church, The Way, LA. Howard has many years of church and non-profit experience, and is passionate about organizing and building solidarity between marginalized communities.

January 30th, Amirah House, which Old South helped to found, provides aftercare, resources, and opportunities to women who have survived different forms of sexual exploitation, sex trafficking, and prostitution. They do this by offering residential recovery opportunities, organizing outreach efforts, and educating communities, providers, and policy makers on the unique challenges victims and survivors face in the Northeastern United States. Join us for a presentation by Stephanie Clark, CEO and learn how you can support this vital mission.

COVID PRECAUTIONS

As we are all aware, COVID has not gone away. We need to be extra cautious through January. Between now and then the virus will be relentless. Here's our thinking at Old South Church, although we reserve the right to pivot on a dime, depending on the virus:



- We will remain open daily for visitors.
- Masking is mandated, as is social distancing.
Do upgrade any cloth masks to at least a three-ply surgical mask.
- If you have so much as a sniffle, do not enter the building.
- We encourage you to get tested as often as possible, or as often as necessary, considering your circumstances and the availability of tests.
- We are suspending ensemble singing and congregational singing through mid-February.

JAZZ WORSHIP – *Thursdays at 6 p.m.*

We will continue to be hybrid (both in person and remote; masking and social distancing; congregational singing will be curtailed).

ALL CHURCH WORSHIP – *Sundays at 10 a.m.*

We will continue to be hybrid (both in person and remote; masking and social distancing; congregational singing will be curtailed, as will the presence of vocal ensembles).

OTHER PROGRAMING AND MEETINGS

We expect most of our other programming (meetings, classes, small groups) to go remote for the month of January. Church School families should check their Friday newsletter from Kate for details on children's classes. Stay tuned. Stay safe.

DONATE FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP—

sign up now to get a date that is meaningful to you

The church is open for worship on Sunday mornings and we have beautiful flowers in front of the pulpit again! Would you like to give the flowers one Sunday in memory or honor of a special person or event? Go to tinyurl.com/SundayFlowers2022 to sign up for a Sunday or contact Helen McCrady, helen@oldsouth.org. Due to the COVID economy the price has gone up to \$100. Please send your message along with your payment. You can drop it off, send a check, or go to www.oldsouth.org/donate and make your gift online.

MEET OUR NEW GRANTEE: FATHERS' UPLIFT

In November 2021 OSC's Christian Service and Outreach Committee selected Fathers' Uplift to be awarded a three-year grant of \$60,000 (\$20,000/year for three years). This organization is based in Dorchester and assists fathers in overcoming financial, oppressive, emotional, traumatic, and addiction-based barriers that prevent them from remaining engaged in their children's lives. This grant will help Father's Uplift scale up and expand their Therapeutic Coaching services. To learn more about Father's Uplift have a look at this segment from Greater Boston: www.youtube.com/watch?v=M6xw3_ZjysE

GREEN TIP: Green Web Browsers

Make one small tweak to something you do every day — searching the internet — and you can help protect the earth's ecosystems and provide assistance to those in need. All you have to do is use a different search engine. Ekoru Works to Keep Oceans Clean & Green, Ecosia Plants Trees & Protects Biodiversity, giveWater Helps Provide Clean Water and Sanitation, Ocean Hero Recovers Ocean-Bound Plastic & Builds Recycling Infrastructure.

THE CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregivers' Support Group is a gathering for sharing and support, open to members and friends of Old South serving as caregivers to others. This group is facilitated by Rev. Dr. Frankie Doolittle, Old South Member, Counselor and ordained UCC Minister. If you are interested in attending please contact Rev. Katherine Schofield at katherine@oldsouth.org.

WEEKLY WORSHIP

Join us for worship in person and on Vimeo.

JAZZ Worship, Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

ALL-CHURCH Worship, Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Our monthly **HEALING Worship** is held the second Sunday at 12:30 p.m. via Zoom

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.
