



Amo Ngoepe administering “Ashes to Go”, Ash Wednesday, 2020

All Church Worship — Old South Church *in Boston*

December 12th, 2021 ❖ 10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of Advent

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

Siyahamba

John Behnke, *arr.*

CHORAL PROCESSION

During this time of pandemic, the choir processes silently.

1 A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, for
 2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
 3 In deep - est night Christ's com - ing shall be, when
 4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though

an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, sing out your joy, for
 man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, whose hum - ble song is
 all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
 cold the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall

Je - sus is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
 qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing.
 qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
 crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less;

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
 Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing
 One with - out voice breaks forth in song, a lame one leaps in
 Love be our song and love our prayer, and love, our end - less

geth - er, to o - pen wide the heaven - ly door, and
 kind - ness, the thun - der of the an - thems roll to
 won - der, the weak are raised a - bove the strong, and
 sto - ry, may God fill ev - ery day we share, and

lives now in - side us for ev - er. . . .
 shat - ter all hate and in - jus - tice. . . .
 weap - ons are bro - ken a - sun - der. . . .
 bring us at last in - to glo - ry. . . .

*LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH: JOY

1st time: Choir alone

2nd time: **Choir and Congregation**

He came down that we may have joy; He came down that we may have joy;

He came down that we may have joy; Hal-le - lu - jah for-ev - er - more.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

WELCOME

June R. Cooper

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Shawn M. Fiedler

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE

Luke 3:7-18

Magashe and Tsholofelo Ngoepe
Amo's Brother and Sister

SERMON

Don't preach like John

Nancy S. Taylor

HYMN

God, Who Summons through All Ages

JULION

We look forward to welcoming the composer of this hymn, Dr. David Hurd, to Old South this coming February for a Festival celebrating his hymnody.

Introduction

1 God, who sum-mons through all a - ges men and wom - en to or - dain,
 2 Called to keep your house-hold's mys-teries, guar-dian, coun - sel-or, and friend,
 3 God, E - ter - nal Word With - in Us, help us lis - ten so that we

now a - noint your cho - sen ser-vant, join *her** to the a - pos - tles' train.
 blessed with gifts u - nique and pre-cious, may *she* these with your grace blend.
 hear your call to be Christ's bod - y, claim our gifts, serve faith - ful - ly.

Give *her* pa-tience, cour - age, wis-dom, as *she* serves your tri-une name.
 As *she* an-swers Christ's com-mis-sion, keep *her* stead - fast to life's end.
 May we each in word and ac-tion join in mu - tual min-is - try!

*CALL TO PRAYER

Katherine A. Schofield

One: God be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift our hearts to God.

One: Let us pray. *please be seated*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Creator, 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

O Savior, Let Me Walk with You

Harry Huff

O Savior, let me walk with you in earthly paths of service true;
tell me your secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love.
Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me your patience; let me be in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only you can give, with you, O Savior, let me live.

RESPOND

CALL TO THE OFFERING

Shawn M. Fiedler



*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

Akheko ofana no Jesu

Jamie Kirsch, *arr.*

*Akekho ofana no Jesu, akekho ofana ye.
Sakhamba, hamba lutho, lutho
Safuna, funa, lutho, lutho
Sajika, jika, lutho, lutho,
akekho ofana ye.*

(There's no one like Jesus, there's no one like him.
I walked and walked, but nothing, nothing;
I searched and searched, but nothing, nothing;
I turned around, but nothing, nothing;
there's no one—there's no one like him.)

RITE OF ORDINATION

GREETING

Dennis Barton

The Reformed Association

One: Grace to you and peace from God, who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness and the sovereign of the rulers on earth. The Reformed Association of the New York Conference of the United Church of Christ greets you in the name of Jesus Christ, the head of the Church.

Many: To God, who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen

PRESENTATION

Deb Washington

on behalf of Middle Collegiate Church New York

EXHORTATION

Isaiah 6:8, 52:7

Tracy Keene

Old South Church in Boston

EXAMINATION

Dennis Barton

The Reformed Association

ACCLAMATION

One: People of God, You have heard the promises Amo Ngoepe has made. What is your will?

Many: By the grace of God, she is worthy! Let us ordain her. Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

Donald A. Wells

Old South Church in Boston

William Nye

Pastor Emeritus All Souls Bethlehem

Brooklyn, New York

DECLARATION

Dennis Barton

The Reformed Association

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Nancy S. Taylor

Old South Church in Boston

THE CHARGE

Jacqui Lewis

Middle Collegiate Church New York

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rob Stephens

Middle Collegiate Church New York

FAMILY BLESSING

Amo's Family

Adv. Thabo Ngoepe, *father* ❖ Prof. Mapula Ngoepe, *mother*

Dr. Phuti Ngoepe, *brother* ❖ Noko Mokobi, *sister* ❖ Mogale Mokobi, *brother*.

Mogashoa Sereto/ Praise Poem (mother's family): Prof. Mapula Ngoepe, *mother*.

Ngoepe Sereto/ Praise Poem (father's family): Prof. Malebogo Ngoepe, *cousin*.

God Our Maker, Whose First Summons

This hymn was commissioned by the United Church of Christ in celebration of its 50th anniversary.

1 God our Mak - er, whose first sum-mons formed the realms of
 2 God the Spir - it, breathe up - on us, with new life our
 3 God In - car - nate, suf - fering ser - vant, shar - ing in our
 4 Tri - une God, en - fold - ing Mys - tery great - er than our

day and night, still you speak a - mid our cha - os,
 souls ex - cite; let your flame break out a - mong us;
 hu - man plight, teach - ing, heal - ing, feed - ing, seek - ing,
 creeds re - cite, join our lives in faith and ser - vice,

call-ing us to truth and right. When our doubts and fears con-found us,
 help us claim your ur - gent might. With your guard - ing, guid-ing pres - ence,
 ev - er read - y to in - vite: by your pat - tern of com-pas - sion,
 let our words and deeds u - nite; to a world that longs to know you,

give us faith to bear your light;	give us faith to bear your light.
give us hope to bear your light;	give us hope to bear your light.
give us love to bear your light;	give us love to bear your light.
give us grace to bear your light;	give us grace to bear your light.

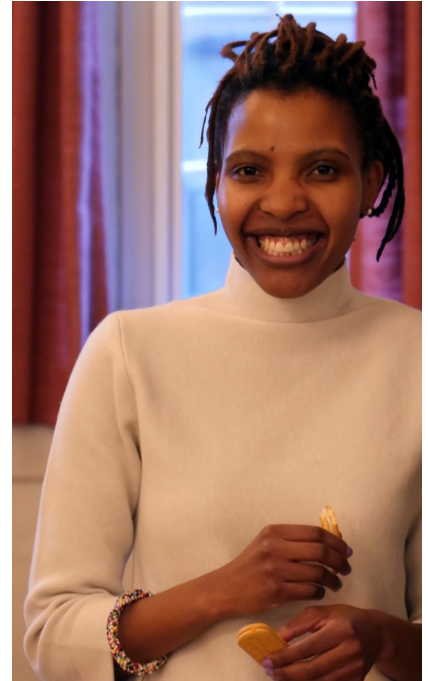


REAMOGETJE S. NGOEPE

Amo is a citizen of South Africa and received her undergraduate degree from Wits University (Dean's List, top 10% in school, Member of the Golden Key international Honour Society, top 15% in University). She graduated from Union Theological Seminary in New York City in 2019. When she came on board with us she was a Member in Discernment (re: ordination) with the New York Conference of the UCC via Middle Collegiate Church where her membership lies. Earlier this fall Amo was "approved for ordination pending call" by the Reformed Association of New York.

On Sunday, November 21st Amo Ngoepe was called to serve as pastor of All Souls Bethlehem Church in Brooklyn, NY. She will also be serving at Middle Collegiate Church in NY supporting them with programming. She will conclude her time with us at the end of December.

We are proud of Amo and will send her forth as a gifted ordained minister who will bless the United Church of Christ and, of course, the wise and fortunate congregation of All Souls Bethlehem who saw fit to call her.



NOTES ON TODAY'S MUSIC

John Behnke is a frequent organ recitalist, handbell clinician, and festival director with nearly 450 handbell, choral, and organ compositions in print. Professionally, he served for 13 years as the director of the Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble and 29 years as Organist and Choir Director at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in downtown Milwaukee. He is currently Emeritus Professor of Music at Concordia University in Mequon, Wisconsin where he taught organ, graduate handbell courses, and directed The Alleluia Ringers, Concordia's touring handbell choir. His organ setting of "*Siyahamba*" comes from a collection entitled "*Three Global Songs*" and is fashioned after both the Italian Baroque ritornello form and traditional South African styles. The fusion of styles from different lands and eras makes it an appropriate expression of the ideal of a truly global church.

John Eggert has been a member of the music faculty at Concordia University, Saint Paul, MN since 1978 and teaches organ, music theory, composition, service playing, improvisation, and organ literature there. His *Toccata on "Deo Gracias"* is based upon *The Agincourt Hymn*, an English folk song written some time in the early 15th century to recount the 1415 battle of Agincourt in which the English army defeated that of the French. Hymn texts for nearly every season of the church year have been set to the tune.



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

Nancy S. Taylor, *Senior Minister* ❖ James W. Crawford, *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*
Reamogetje S. Ngoepe, *Pastoral Resident* ❖ Jessica Young Chang, *Seminarian*
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*
Martha Schick, *Youth & Young Adult Ministries Leader*
Summer Marsh, *Director, Old South Preschool*

Helen McCrady, *Senior Church Administrator* ❖ John Braught, *Director of Operations*
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Ralph Watson, *Snowden Partnership Coordinator* ❖ Karen Hand, *Wedding Coordinator*
Oussama Ouadani and William Wei, *Livestream Production Assistants*

Elias Perez, *Senior Sexton* ❖ Ozo Nwodo, Richard Serebour, and David Brode, *Sextons*
Corey Spence, *Weekday Receptionist*
Shirley Bivins 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.



OLD
SOUTH
CHURCH
in BOSTON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ORDINATION OF AMO NGOEPE

Sunday, December 12th during All-Church Worship

Ordinations don't happen every day. Will you join us in celebrating Amo, in laying hands upon her, in blessing her on her way?

LGBTQIA+ & FRIENDS COOKIE DECORATING

Sunday, December 12th, 11 a.m., 4th floor Guild Room

Make the yuletide gay this year by joining LGBTQIA+ and Friends in decorating Christmas cookies. Carols and cookies will be provided, but more cookies are always welcomed. Wear a festive sweater and be prepared for some good old fashioned merriment!

COMMUNITY HOUR FORUM: Favorite Festive Foods

Sunday, December 12th, following All-Church Worship, 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall

Join us for a discussion on the history of traditional holiday dishes. Don't forget to bring your own well-loved recipe to share.

ADVENT FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT

Saturday, December 18th, 9:00 a.m. at the church

Families of the church will gather to assemble, pack and wrap Christmas gifts that we will then take to the streets to deliver to our unhoused neighbors. Please help us by adding to the gifts. We are now collecting the following items:

- **small toiletries**
- **hand warmers**
- **warm socks, gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves**
- **cash donations (to be converted into Dunkin gift cards)**

Physical items should be new, and can be brought (or mailed) to the reception desk. Monetary donations can be marked "Gift Boxes" and left for Kate at the front desk. RSVP to Kate at children@oldsouth.org if you'd like to come on the 18th!

BLUE CHRISTMAS JAZZ WORSHIP

Thursday, December 23rd, 6 p.m.

While we're bombarded with words lauding the wonders of the season, many people find the holidays anything but joyful. Blue Christmas provides an opportunity to step away & let go into music and readings that acknowledge your feelings without trying to talk you out of them. Even if you love the holidays, you may find comfort in this special service.

UP COMING COMMUNITY HOUR FORUMS

Sundays, following All-Church Worship, 2nd Floor Mary Norton Hall

Holiday Hymn Sing

December 19th

Minister of Music, Mitchell Crawford will lead us in a singalong of some Christmas Classics. We'll also learn the history of our best loved holiday tunes.

GREEN TIP: 12 Green Tips of Christmas

5. Buy locally made and certified green and plastic free gifts.
6. Use alternatives to traditional wrapping paper:
Choose eco-friendly paper, fabric, and reusable ribbon.

DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES HOLIDAY GIFT DRIVE REPORT

Under the leadership of Old South Church member, the Reverend David Story, 71 OSC households (both local and far flung) purchased gifts for 113 children and youth in DCFC Foster Care. Bless you, Old South Church, for your warm hearts and wide generosity. These gifts -- your giving -- matter! For 113 children and youth in Foster Care, they are all the difference in the world. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

BIBLE STUDY

Sundays at 9:00 a.m., Sam Johnson Room on the fourth floor, and Zoom

Delve into the day's scripture passage heard in worship. Led by our ministerial staff, this no-homework Bible study delights in taking a scholarly look at ancient texts. Don't leave your questions at the door; we need them. For more information contact jess@oldsouth.org.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, January 19th, 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 <https://tinyurl.com/OSCBloodDrive> or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule an appointment.



STEWARDSHIP: AN EPIPHANY!

January is Stewardship month at Old South Church, the month we pledge our financial resources to fuel our 2022 ministries of Mercy, Justice & Beauty. Following the journey of the Magi, we will take our turn, bearing our own gifts for the Christ child as we, too, STEP INTO GOD'S FUTURE.

HOW WE (YOU!) FUND OLD SOUTH CHURCH'S MINISTRIES AND WORK

2021 AT A GLANCE

299 households pledged a total of \$1,159,843

Here's how it breaks down:

The AVERAGE household pledge: \$3,880

2021	# Households	Total
\$10,000-\$60,000	23	\$477,700
\$5,000-\$9,999	43	\$287,970
\$2,500-\$4,999	64	\$218,217
\$1,000-\$2,499	95	\$144,821
\$1-\$999	74	\$31,135

The MEDIAN household pledge: \$2,000

BLESS YOU!

PLANNED GIVING: THE MARY NORTON SOCIETY

Is one of your New Year's resolutions to make (or update) your will or other planning documents? Whenever you sign a new Will or trust, please consider making a bequest to help Old South maintain its building, staff, and programs after you are no longer with us. As with weekly or annual giving, no amount is too small, or too small to have an impact. What's right is the amount that makes you feel good about your gift. For more information, please email Helen McCrady at helen@oldsouth.org. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS EVE AT OLD SOUTH

- **5 p.m. ONLINE PAGEANT by the Church School**
Tune in online to watch "A Very Mixed-Up Christmas Pageant", a hilarious and clever rendition of the Christmas Story, told by Old South kids.
- **6 and 8 p.m. SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS with candle lighting**
An elegant telling of the Christmas story in carols and readings with music for choir and organ and the singing of "Silent Night" by candlelight. Childcare available.
- **11 p.m. CANDLELIT CHAPEL SERVICE**
A warmly traditional service with festive carol singing and lessons. We greet the birth of Christ by singing "Silent Night" outdoors by candlelight just after midnight.

Please note:

Only the 5 p.m. Pageant and 8 p.m. Service of Lessons & Carols will be livestreamed.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CONCERTS AT OLD SOUTH

KING OF INSTRUMENTS CONCERT

Friday, December 31st at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Experience the "Sensurround" magnificence of Old South Church's mighty 1921 E. M. Skinner pipe organ — affectionately dubbed the "Copley Philharmonic Organ." In repertoire designed to showcase its myriad colors, Minister of Music Mitchell Crawford offers a diverse program the whole family is sure to enjoy. Free and open to the public.

FIRST NIGHT PIPES AND POPS CONCERT

Friday, December 31st at 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The best of Boston's brass and percussion artists join Minister of Music Mitchell Crawford in a supersonic program, presenting fun and engaging arrangements of popular classics, as well as a seasonal sing of "Auld Lang Syne." Free and open to the public.

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.

Christmas 2021

As we celebrate the coming of the Christ,
we remember with love the lives of those
who have touched us over the years.



The large red poinsettia is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Anna Dartley and Dr. Seth Ephraim Dartley by Saideh, Anna Nicole and Sara Ann.



The lighted Christmas tree in the garden is given in loving memory of Marc Gaucher.



The greens at the front of the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of the Rev. Robert H. Christenson.

Christmas gifts for the Allston Brighton Food Pantry

In loving memory of Joyce Akintola, *by her Old South family.*

In honor of the Rev. Dr. Nancy S. Taylor, senior minister of Old South Church,
by Bettina Blake.

In gratitude for my special neighbors, *by Carol Boggs*

In loving memory of JR Majors, *Karen and Grant Bogle*

In loving memory of Doris and Dick Bowers and Jean Bowers Post, *by Larry Bowers.*

In memory of Andrew and Delores Brouillette and Leon and Selma Miller,
by Paul Brouillette and Neil Miller.

For all five siblings, Ethel, Mim, Hazel, John, and Jim *by Janet Butler.*

In memory of Elizabeth Hemminger, *love the Elliott-Cadge, Walls and Berquist families.*

In loving memory of John Bybee, *by his Old South family.*

Merry Christmas! *by Lillian Chan and Vivian Dixon.*

In thanksgiving for our loved ones, *by John and Carolyn Clark.*

In gratitude to Old South's office staff of Helen McCrady, Jamie Garuti, Alex Pickering,
Emily Ross, and Linda Van Praet for doing the daily chores that make our ministry of
Joy, Light, Peace and Love possible.

In loving memory of our parents, *by Lois Corman and David Vogan.*

In memory of loved ones, *by Jim and Linda Crawford.*

In loving memory of my dear husband, Carmon Cunningham,
by Paula Hammond Cunningham.

In memory of our beloved family members, *by Laurie and PJ Curran*

In honor and loving memory of my Dad, The Rev. Newell H. Curtis, Jr., *by Cynthia Curtis.*

Hear the silence of peace in the tolling of Christmas bells, *by Debby Davis.*

Christmas Blessings to all! *by Kay Davis.*

In gratitude for Old South Church keeping its doors open throughout the pandemic,
by Frances Doolittle.

In loving memory of our parents, John and Mary Dutton, *by Paul and Steven Dutton.*

In thanks for how the Church School under the leadership of Kate Nintcheu conveys
the Gospel of love, justice, and the Holy to the rising generation.

In memory of Donald Elliott. *Love, the Elliott-Cadge Family.*

In celebration of my family and friends for all the support and love they have always
given me, *by Judy Fisher.*

In grateful thanksgiving for my parents' continued health, *by Jennifer Gasser.*

Given in memory of loved ones and in celebration of Christ's light in the world,
by Priscilla Geigis and Kurt Gaertner.

In loving memory of my Grammie, Eleanor Bork, *by Erin Gerber.*

In loving memory of our parents, *by Charles and Renate Gerlinger.*

In renewed appreciation of the grand window into God's realm provided by the music
of Mitchell Crawford, George Sargeant, Willie Sordillo, Tim Harbold, Amy Budka,
Peter Coulombe, the Old South Choir, Handbell Choir, Children's Choir, Gospel
Choir, Jazz Ensemble, and the Old South Brass.

For the ongoing grace of God and the everlasting love of Christ, we give thee thanks.
For the love of friends and family, known and unknown, we give three thanks.
By Ellie Hadley.

In memory of Elaine A. Hooper, *by Bev and Michael Hanna.*

In memory of Harry, Genieve, Kitty, and Jesse, *by Rich and Kathy Hassinger.*

In memory of loved ones, *by Becky Hemperly*

In memory of my parents Gertrude and Bruce Hunter and my sister Jean,
by Mary Hunter.

In loving memory of our parents Norma and Arnold Carlson, and Lucy and Sal Imbrescia, *by Marcia and John Imbrescia.*

Dear Reverend Dr. Taylor, Merry Christmas! *Your friend, Lance Jayne.*

In loving memory of Jeffrey Pearson Jenks. *Love, Lisa and Steve Jenks.*

We are grateful for the wonderful ministry of Nancy Taylor and her very presence in this community, *by Vard Johnson and Ruth Purtilo.*

In memory of my beloved husband Merle Jordan, *by Barb Jordan.*

May the joy of this festive season lift up all, *by Jenny Keenan.*

Merry Christmas! *By Yoo-Kyung Kim*

In memory of my husband Stanton W. Putnam, and my parents and sister, *by David King.*

In loving memory of Byron Kinney and John Klimko, *by Carly Kinney.*

Remembering my Dad, Augustine 'Whitey' Kish and my life partner, Gregory T. Evans. I love you both. Merry Christmas! *By Kevin Kish.*

In loving memory of Penny Kosturko – forever in our hearts!
By Bob and Candace Kosturko.

In loving memory of Rev. Richard and Hilda Sova, *by Rebecca Lackey.*

For Ellen, who loved helping the world while she was here, *by Ramie Leibnitz.*

In memory of my parents and my sister, *by Richard Ling.*

Merry Christmas, *from the Loveland/Proakis Family.*

In loving memory of Alfred McElaney, *by Fred Lowell.*

In memory of loved ones, *by Maryann Macdougall.*

In loving memory of John Marttila, *by Nancy Marttila.*

In memory of Kip Tiernan, *by Georgia Mattison.*

In loving memory of my parents, Sally and Ned McCrady, with gratitude for so many wonderful Christmases together, *by Helen McCrady.*

In loving memory of Eleanor Jensen, my dear friend and faithful Old South member for many years, *by Helen McCrady.*

In memory of J.L., *by Eileen McCullough*

In honor and loving memory of my dear sister Anna Belle Grubbs, *by Jim McDonnel.*

In memory of Zacharias and Vasiliki Metalides, *by the Delianides and Metalides families.*

In memory of Harry and Thalia Delianides, *by the Delianides and Metalides families.*

In gratitude to the clergy and all staff for making worship services unfailingly available despite the pandemic, *by Jim and Jan Monsma.*

In loving memory of Rev. Marcus S. Walker, Old South Ministerial Intern 1983-85 and Assistant, then Associate Minister 1985-1989, *by Vicki A. Newman.*

In loving memory of Mildred A. Scott, member of Old South from 1965 to 1985, in retirement a part-time Narthex receptionist for many years, *by Vicki A. Newman.*

In loving memory of Rev. Robert H. and Joan E. Christenson, partners in life and ministry. They were at Old South together when Bob was Ministerial Intern 1957-1959 and Associate Minister 1978-1989. Thereafter Joan's participation (choir, outreach committee and all around staunch member) continued through 2013, *by Vickie A. Newman.*

In loving memory of my parents, Harold W. and Faye W. Newman, and my big brother Lance E. Newman, *by Vicki A. Newman, their grateful daughter and sister.*

Grampa Harvey Butler, *by Amy, Jim, Andrew and Kelsey Nolan.*

In Thanksgiving for Old South Church. What a blessing you all are, each and every day! *By Janet and Ed Nolan.*

In memory of our beloved siblings and friends, may they rest in peace, *by Ken Orth and George Paolucci.*

In memory of Ruth Ann Strong, *by the Palma Strong fund.*

In remembrance of David Scott Palmer, *from Diane Palmer.*

In recognition of the dedicated service of the Old South sextons, Elias Perez, Ozo Nwodo, Richard Serebour, and David Brode, which makes our witness at this corner possible.

Christmas Greetings to all! *By Tom Ralston.*

In loving memory for Grethel and Elzie Lewis and Ethel and Leslie Read,
by Peter and Suzanne Read.

In memory of Elaine C. Huber, *by Nancy Richardson.*

In loving memory of Elaine Huber, *by her Old South family.*

With a grateful heart for the health and wellbeing of my family and friends, and hope for a more joyous Christmas for my neighbors, *by Mercedes Ridaao.*

In honor of my grandchildren, *by Betsy Roberts.*

In honor and appreciation of the Old South Ministers and staff, for their fantastic efforts during the pandemic, *by the Roberts-McInturff Family.*

Holiday blessings for family and friends, *by Ginger Rotundo.*

In loving memory of Run Hsiang Young, John and Lucy Spitzer, and Lyman Spitzer, *by Lorry Spitzer and Diane Young-Spitzer.*

In memory of my grandparents and my brother, *by Megan Staley.*

In honor of Peter Coulombe and the Old South Ringers, *by Megan Staley.*

In honor of the Livestream Team and all who make it possible for Old South's services to be shown around the world, *by Megan Staley.*

In loving memory of Claudia, Mac, Courtney McKeeman, Marcia Magavern, Anna Matchim and Blarney Stamp, *by Kay Stamp.*

In loving memory of Linda Stickels and Diane Jones, *by Laurie Stickels, and Sumner, Andrew and Patience Gubisch.*

In memory of my parents, Herbert and Georgie Story, *by David Story.*

In loving memory of David S. Taylor and Peter Southwell-Sander, *by Nancy S. Taylor.*

In grateful memory of Rev. Mack Taylor.

In honor of Rev. Nancy Taylor for her long tenure and service to Old South,
by Danielle Thompson.

In appreciation for Old South's support of environmental justice,
by Ted and Kathy Wade.

In loving memory of Al and Carmen Taylor and Bill and Anna Wadlington,
by John Wadlington.

In loving memory of our parents – Ralph and June Watson, and Richard and Eileen
Olson – *by Ralph Watson and Peter Olsen*

With gratitude for the many healing and strengthening ministries of Old South
Church, *by Karin Wetmore.*

In joyous celebration of my four grandchildren; Nour, AliDiya, Micah, and Eliza,
by Donald Wells.

Blessings to loved ones at Christmas, *by Nan and Frank Wezniak.*

In loving memory of Elsbeth Percy and in honor of Larry Bowers,
by Louise Whitworth.

With many thanks for David Taylor and his life, *by Chuck and Anne Wildman.*

In loving memory of Sally Wulff, *by her Old South family.*

Merry Christmas! *By Don Xenos.*

In memory of our parents, Warren and Margaret Yeo, and John and Dorothy
Lockwood, *by Richard and Elinor Yeo.*

In memory of our brother-in-law John Winslow Hincks, *by Richard and Elinor Yeo.*

Christmas blessings and thanks to the ministers and staff of Old South Church for
their incredible, unfailing service and leadership, especially during the pandemic,
by Anna Yoder.

In grateful memory of Barbara Ames, Catherine Dauber, Madge Eversole, Grace Guy,
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example guides us into our future.