April 28, 2019 First Sunday after Easter 11:00 AM

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

Pilgrims' Hymn Cry Out and Shout (excerpted) Praise to the Lord, The Almighty Stephen Paulus Knut Nystedt Hugo Distler

THE CHAMBER CHORALE

John H. Guyer High School — Denton, Texas

Mary Sadler, Director of Choral Music

Tyler Fox, Assistant Choir Director

*HYMN 245

The Day of Resurrection

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Katherine A. Schofield

One: Praise the LORD! Praise God in the sanctuary; praise God in the

mighty firmament!

All: Praise God for mighty deeds and surpassing greatness.

One: God has answered us and become our salvation.

All: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

One: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

All: This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*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 Sweet, Sweet Spirit Joel Raney, arr.

ATTEND

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-29 Gracie Berman

SPECIAL ANTHEM Tis a Gift to Be Simple Anna Laura Page, arr.

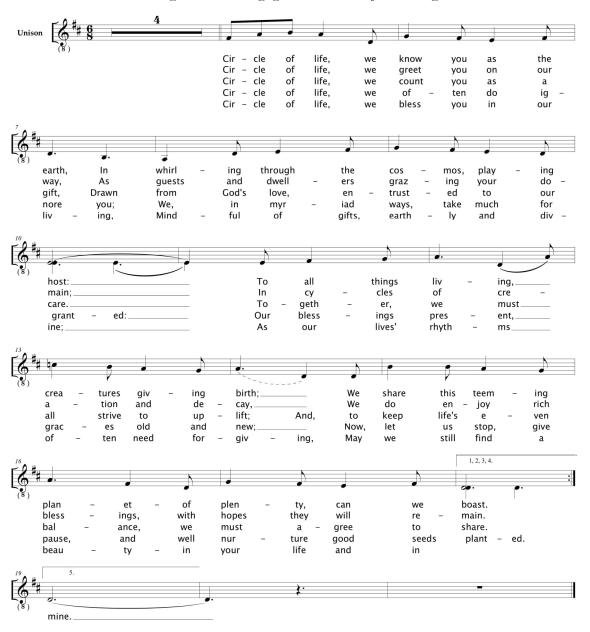
THE OLD SOUTH RINGERS Peter Coulombe, conductor

During the anthem the children are invited to leave for choir and care.

SERMON John M. Edgerton

*HYMN Circle of Life: A Hymn for the Earth Erik K. Gustafson

The choir will sing verse 1, the congregation is invited to join starting with verse 2.



*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 Jesus, My Lord, My Life, My All

Bob Burroughs

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Th

This Joyful Eastertide

Sondra K. Tucker, arr.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 256 **We**

We Live by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

John M.

Edgerton

POSTLUDE

Nothing Gonna Stumble My Feet

Greg Gilpin

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

The flowers today are given by Martha Coleman in memory of her grandmother Dorothy Hubbard Macdonald, who loved Old South as much as she does!



WELCOME TO OLD SOUTH CHURCH

Welcome! We are a progressive Christian church first gathered in 1669. The Church played a significant role in early American history. We continue to outfit ourselves for mission and ministry in the 21st century as a thriving urban church in the heart of Boston. Join us following worship for fellowship and refreshments in the Gordon Chapel.

Name tags facilitate community and help newcomers feel welcomed. If you don't see a tag with your name on it, let us know. For LARGE print bulletins or children's bulletins please ask an Usher.

Need to stretch your legs during worship? The Chapel has full audio of the service.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES

Old South has installed a Hearing Loop in the Sanctuary.

- 1. Our hearing loop works directly with devices equipped with a "T-Coil."
- 2. The sound is best if you sit further inside the pews, away from the aisles.
- 3. The loop does not work in the upper galleries
- 4. 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):

- 1. Park at the **Garage** @ 100 Clarendon (behind Back Bay Station), have your ticket validated at our Front Desk, and you pay the discounted rate of \$7 for up to 3 hours. Old South bears no cost.
- Park at the Prudential Garage for up to 5 hours on Saturday or Sunday, have your ticket validated at our Front Desk, and the Prudential Garage will bill Old South (costing us \$15k - \$20k per year).



On May 12, 1669

the founders of Old South Church first gathered. Their descendants intend to mark the occasion as follows

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019

11:00am Anniversary Worship Service

Featuring a hymn commissioned for our anniversary, as well as the presentation of the Open Door Award.

12:30pm *Ceremony*

Heraldic trumpets, dignitaries, an interfaith blessing.

1:00pm 350th Birthday Party

Cake & ice cream, magician, games, reenactors, and dance music.

2:30pm Finale

Pealing of the Tower Bell.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 28	9:00 AM	FIRST Worship, John M. Edgerton preaching
	9:00 AM	Children's Choir
	9:45 AM	Old South Café in Gordon Chapel
	10:00 AM	350th Celebrate!
	10:00 AM	Coffee with Clergy
	10:00 AM	Community Hour, Tell the Story
	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Lectionary Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Youth Group
	10:00 AM	Church School
	11:00 AM	FESTIVAL Worship, John M. Edgerton preaching
	11:15 AM	Children's Music
	12:15 PM	Fellowship Hour
Monday, April 29	6:00 PM	Theological Book Group
	7:30 PM	Spiritual Classics
Tuesday, April 30	6:00 PM	Old South Ringers Rehearsal
	6:15 PM	Young Adult Book Group
Wednesday, May 1	12:00 PM	Men's Lunch Hour
	6:15 PM	Young Adult Book Group
	6:30 PM	Young Adult Small Group
Thursday, May 2	12:00 PM	Women's Lunch Hour Small Group
	6:00 PM	JAZZ Worship, Katherine A. Schofield preaching
	6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	"Through the Bible" Study
	7:00 PM	Young Adult Book Group
	8:00 PM	Women's Christianity and Civic Life Small Group

Friday, May 3	12:30 PM	Planned Giving Committee
Sunday, May 5	9:00 AM	FIRST Worship, Katherine A. Schofield preaching
	9:00 AM	
	9:45 AM	Old South Café in Gordon Chapel
	10:00 AM	Celebrate!
	10:00 AM	Community Hour, Tell the Story
	10:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Lectionary Bible Study
	10:00 AM	Youth Group
	10:00 AM	Church School
	11:00 AM	FESTIVAL Worship, Katherine A. Schofield preaching
	11:15 AM	Children's Music
	12:15 PM	Fellowship Hour
	12:30 рм	350th Logistics
	12:30 рм	Climate Change Communications Committee
	12:30 РМ	Climate Justice and Advocacy

LOOKING AHEAD!

Sunday, May 12	9:00 AM	FIRST Worship, Nancy 3. Taylor preaching
	10:00 AM	HEALING Worship
	11:00 AM	FESTIVAL 350th Anniversary Worship,
		Nancy S. Taylor preaching
	12:30 PM	350th Anniversary Ceremony
	1:00 PM	350th Anniversary Celebration

OLD SOUTH CHURCH IN BOSTON MINISTERS, OFFICERS, AND STAFF

Nancy S. Taylor, Senior Minister

John M. Edgerton, Associate Minister & Katherine A. Schofield, Interim Associate Minister James W. Crawford, Senior Minister Emeritus Mitchell Crawford, Minister of Music

Kate Nintcheu, Director, Children & Family Ministries

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

David Story, Wedding Outreach Minister * Ken Orth, Healing Worship Minister

Martha Schick, Youth & Young Adult Ministries Leader & Betsy Wooster, Seminarian Carolyn Davis, Director, Old South Preschool

George Sargeant, Associate Organist & Choirmaster

Tim Harbold, Director, Gospel Choir & Willie Sordillo, Director, Jazz Worship Music Peter Coulombe, Director, Old South Ringers & Amy Budka, Children's Music Leader

Deb Washington, Moderator & Rob Gabler, Clerk & Bill Bulkeley, Treasurer
Randy Billings, Chair, Board of Trustees & Evan Shu, Historian
Stephanie LaShoto & Ralph Watson, Senior Deacons & Vicki Newman, Pledge Secretary

Helen McCrady, Senior Church Administrator
Jamie Garuti, Communications Administrator

Linda Van Praet, Accounting & Human Resources David Albaugh, Building Manager

Allison Albaugh, Wedding Coordinator
Emily Ross, Archivist

Rebeccca Bowler, Administrative Assistant

Elias Perez, Senior Sexton
Ozo Nwodo, Oppong Serebour, & David Brode, Sextons

Elias Perez, *Senior Sexton* • Ozo Nwodo, Oppong Serebour, & David Brode, *Sextons* Corey Spence, Rubia Reyes, *Receptionists*

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.