June 2, 2019 Sixth 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

*HYMN 8

Praise to the Living God

DIADEMATA

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy S. Taylor

- One: At God's table of justice, everyone has a place and none are turned away.
- All: Here strangers are welcomed as friends, the poor sit alongside the rich, and the upside-down kingdom of God is revealed.
- One: At God's table of abundance, a banquet of righteousness and liberation is set for all.
- All: Here the powerless are heard; the outcast are showered with honor, and the inside-out kingdom of God is revealed.

* Indicates all who are able may stand

One: At God's table of life, all peoples know peace and creation flourishes.

All: Here the hopeless are nourished with possibility, the complacent are transformed into advocates for change. Here in our very midst the kingdom of God is revealed.

*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 | Rise Up, and Sing to God | Kenneth Jennings, arr. | | | |
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| Rise up, and sing to God! Have done with lesser things; Give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings. | | | | | |
| Rise up, and sing to God! The kingdom tarries long; Bring in the day of fellowship, and end the night of wrong. | | | | | |
| Rise up, and sing to God! The Church for you doth wait, Her strength unequal to her task; rise up and make her great. | | | | | |
| Lift high the cross of Christ; tread where His feet have trod; As followers of the Son of man, rise up, and sing to God! | | | | | |
| ATTEND | | | | | |
| SCRIPTURE | Acts 16:16-34 | David Story | | | |
| *HYMN 403 | My Hope is Built on Nothing Less | SOLID ROCK | | | |
| During the hymn the children are invited to leave for choir and care. | | | | | |
| SERMON | | Katherine A. Schofield | | | |
| *HYMN 485 | O Love that Will Not Let Me Go | ST. MARGARET | | | |

*CALL TO PRAYER

John M. Edgerton

R. R. Osborne (1850); Harry Lyn Huff, *arr*.

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

NORTH PORT

Jesus, my all to heaven has gone, Glory Hallelujah; He whom I fix my hopes upon! Glory Hallelujah!

> I want a seat in Paradise, Glory Hallelujah! I love that union never dies, Glory Hallelujah!

His track I see and I'll pursue, Glory Hallelujah; The narrow way till Him I view, Glory Hallelujah! [*refrain*]

Lo! glad I come and Thou, dear Lamb, Glory Hallelujah; Shalt take me to Thee as I am, Glory, Hallelujah! [*refrain*]

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Swing Down, Chariot xxxx soloists xxxx, *title*

André J. Thomas, arr.

Swing down chariot, stop and let me ride, Rock me, Lord, calm and easy, I've got a home on the other side.

Ezekiel went out in the middle of the field. He saw an angel workin' on a chariot wheel. He wasn't particular about the chariot wheel. He just wanted to see how the chariot feels.

Ezekiel went down and he got on board. The chariot went a-bumpin' on down that old road. He wasn't quite particular 'bout the bumpin' of the road. He just wanted to lay down his heavy load. [*refrain*]

A sinner, he went out to the middle of a field. And then he started workin' on a chariot wheel. He wasn't so particular 'bout a-workin' on that wheel. He just wants to see how a chariot feels.

Then an angel saw the sinner workin' hard there in the field And said, "Hold on, believer, Ezekiel rides that wheel. The chariot will swing on down the old and bumpy road. The chariot's the place to lay your heavy load." [*refrain*]

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Nancy S. Taylor

SHARING THE MEAL

Our communion table is open to all. Communion is served by intinction. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive a piece of bread. Dip the bread into the cup and partake. The cups contains non-alcoholic grape juice. Gluten-free crackers are available at a separate station. If you are unable to come forward, please signal an usher and the elements will be brought to you. Come, Thou Fount

Eric Nelson, arr.

Come, Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise: Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise thy mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come; And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home: Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter. Bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

 *HYMN 595
 Some Glad Morning
 I'LL FLY AWAY

 *BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION
 Katherine A. Schofield

POSTLUDE

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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 Lucy Costa.

The flowers today are given in memory of Andrew ぐ Dolores Brouillette by Paul Brouillette.

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 (a) 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.
- 2. 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).

CALENDAR

| Sunday, June 2 | 9:00 AM | FIRST Worship, Katherine A. Schofield preaching |
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| | 9:00 Am | Children's Choir |
| | 9:45 AM | Old South Café in Gordon Chapel |
| | 10:00 Am | Boston AIDS Walk at the Hatch Shell |
| | 10:00 Am | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:00 Am | Community Hour, |
| | | 350th Faith in Action: |
| | | Getting to Know and Serve Our Neighbors: |
| | | Snowden High School |
| | 10:00 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:00 AM | Lectionary Bible Study |
| | 10:00 AM | Church School |
| | 11:00 AM | FESTIVAL Worship, Katherine A. Schofield preaching |
| | 11:15 AM | Children's Music |
| | 12:15 РМ | Fellowship Hour |
| | 12:30 РМ | Connections Lunch |
| | 12:30 рм | 350th Anniversary Lecture, Francis Bremer |
| | 12:30 РМ | Climate Justice and Advocacy Committee |
| Monday, June 3 | 6:00 pm | Finance Committee |
| | 6:00 рм | Theological Book Group |
| | 6:30 рм | Christian Service and Outreach |
| | 7:00 pm | Spiritual Classics |
| Tuesday, June 4 | 5:00 рм | Operations Committee |
| | 6:00 рм | Old South Ringers |
| | 6:30 pm | Stewardship Committee |
| | 6:15 PM | Young Adult Book Group |
| | 7:00 рм | Christian Formation Committee |

| Wednesday, June 5 | 10:00 Am | Columbarium Committee |
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| | 6:15 рм | Young Adult Book Group |
| | 6:30 pm | Young Adult Small Group |
| Thursday, June 6 | 12:00 рм | Women's Lunch Hour Small Group |
| | 6:00 PM | JAZZ Worship, Nancy S. Taylor preaching |
| | 6:30 рм | 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, June 7 | 12:30 рм | Planned Giving Committee |
| Saturday June 8 | 11:00 AM | PRIDE MORNING Worship, |
| | | Quinn G. Caldwell preaching |
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| | 9:00 AM | Children's Choir |
| | 9:45 AM | Old South Café in Gordon Chapel |
| | 10:00 Am | HEALING Worship |
| | 10:00 Am | Church School Appreciation Potluck Breakfast |
| | 10:00 Am | Choir Rehearsal |
| | 10:00 AM | Lectionary Bible Study |
| | 10:00 Am | Church School |
| | 11:00 AM | FESTIVAL Worship, Nancy S. Taylor preaching |
| | 12:15 РМ | Fellowship Hour |
| | 12:30 рм | 350th Tell the Story Task Force |
| | 12:30 рм | Climate Change Steering Committee |
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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 To Ozo Nwodo, Oppong Serebour, & David Brode, Sextons Corey Spence, Rubia Reyes, & Matthew Hennessy Receptionists

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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.

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