July 21, 2019 6th 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 From God Shall Nothing Move Me, BWV 658 J.S. Bach

\*HYMN 7 All People That on Earth Do Dwell OLD HUNDRETH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121, adapted

Donald A. Wells

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

All: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

One: God will not let your foot be moved; The One who keeps you will not slumber.

All: The God who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

One: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

All: The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

One: The Lord will keep you from all evil; it is God who will keep your life.

All: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore

#### \*A SIGN OF OUR UNITY AND RECONCILIATION

We invite you to greet those around you, wishing them "peace" or "the peace of Christ."

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates all who are able may stand

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

# ATTEND

ANTHEM We Shall Not Be Moved African-American Spiritual

Refrain: The church of God is marching, We shall not be, we shall not be moved, we shall not be moved... [refrain]

We shall not be, we shall not be moved.

Like a tree planted by the water,

We shall not be moved.

Don't let the world deceive you,
we shall not be moved... [refrain]

When the cross is heavy, If our friends forsake us,

we shall not be moved... [refrain] we shall not be moved... [refrain]

SCRIPTURE Psalm 52 David F. Story

\*HYMN 511 I Love My God, Who Heard My Cry SMALLWOOD

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

SERMON John M. Edgerton

\*HYMN 517 I Need You Every Hour NEED

## RESPOND

\*CALL TO PRAYER Katherine A. Schofield

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.

RESPONSE

From God Shall Nothing Move Me, BuxWV 220

Dietrich Buxtehude

## CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY On God, and Not on Human Trust

Johann Pachelbel

On God, and not on human trust,
My earthly stand I've taken;
On him who made me out of dust
I build with faith unshaken;
I trust God's hands, Who understands,
For all that He bestoweth
Is good, as She best knoweth.

#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Donald A. Wells

\*HYMN 42 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**AZMON** 

\*BENEDICTION

John M. Edgerton

POSTLUDE

Menuet from "Gothic Suite"

Leon Boëllmann

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# **Today's Worship Leaders:**

John M. Edgerton, Associate Minister
George Sargeant, Associate Organist and Choirmaster
Katherine A. Schofield, Interim Associate Minister
David F. Story, Executive Assistant to the Senior Minister
Donald A. Wells, Theologian in Residence

Senior Minister Nancy S. Taylor is preaching this morning at Union Chapel, Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard, MA.

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

Today's flowers are given in honor of Mitchell Crawford and George Sargeant and their leadership of the Music Ministry by David Story.

#### 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 for a calendar of events, and the general website www.oldsouth.org for more on the history, staff, and other great 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.