

August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Tenth 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                      Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us                      Diane Bish

\*HYMN 22                      **Sing Praise to God Who Has Shaped**      LOBE DEN HERREN

\*CALL TO WORSHIP                      Katherine A. Schofield

One: Blessed be the name of God

**All: from this time on and forever more.**

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting

**All: the name of God is to be praised.**

One: It is good to give God thanks

**All: to sing praises to your name, O Most High;**

One: to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

**All: and your faithfulness by night.**

*\* Indicates all who are able may stand*

\*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                      Open Your Ears, O Faithful People                      YISRAEL V’ORAITA  
Hasidic melody

Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God’s word.  
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you.

*God has spoken to the people, hallelujah!*  
*God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!*

They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear;  
they who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God’s word. (*refrain*)

*Torah ora, Torah ora, hallelujah!*

**ATTEND**

SCRIPTURE                      The Song of Deborah, Judges 5:1-9                      Mercedes Ridao

\*HYMN 25                      **O God, Our Help in Ages Past**                      ST ANNE

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

SERMON                      Chaos. Order.                      Nancy S. Taylor

\*HYMN 259                      **A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing**                      DEO GRACIAS

\*CALL TO PRAYER                      David F. Story

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. *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

With Awe Approach the Mysteries

HELENSONG  
Jane Marshall

With awe approach the mysteries and wrestle with the Word like Jacob,  
bruised yet strangely blest. Servanthood is pain.

With wisdom teach, with courage preach;  
like Deborah, lead your flock inside the culture's danger zone. Servanthood is faith.

Reach out to those diseased, alone, to those confused, opposed;  
and like a mother, heal, forgive. Servanthood is peace.

**RESPOND**

CALL TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

A New Song

Diane Bish

*I will sing to the Lord, I will sing a new song.*

God has given me a clean heart, God has given me salvation.  
Therefore, *I will sing...*

God has filled my life with gladness, He has filled my heart with joy.  
Therefore, *I will sing...*

And I'll praise God's name forever, I will sing a new song to the Lord.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Katherine A. Schofield

\*HYMN 561

**When In Our Music God Is Glorified**

ENGELBERG

\*BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Nancy S. Taylor

POSTLUDE



Today's worship leaders:

**Nancy S. Taylor**, *Senior Minister*  
**Mitchell Crawford**, *Minister of Music*  
**Mercedes Ridao**, *(G)race Speaks Committee*  
**George Sargeant**, *Associate Organist and Choirmaster*  
**Katherine A. Schofield**, *Interim Associate Minister*  
**David F. Story**, *Wedding Outreach Minister*

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

**New here?** Join Old South clergy and lay leaders  
at **The Welcome Table** by the piano immediately following the Postlude.

Join us for coffee hour in the Gordon Chapel to celebrate  
**Rob Woodin** for his ten years  
as a Choral Fellow in the Old South Choir.

The flowers today are given in memory of  
**Melanie Hope** and **Noah Bernard Evan**, forever our children;  
with gratitude for the lives of **Amanda** and **Nate**;  
and in celebration of 29 years of marriage  
by **Evan** and **Annamarie Ross Shu**.



## Marking 400 years of African American Culture & History

*Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. on the Piazza*

On August 25, 1619 some “20 and odd” Africans aboard the ship *White Lion* were unloaded at Old Point Comfort in Hampton, Virginia and sold into slavery. Faith communities across the nation are urged to pause and mark this anniversary with bell ringing and by sharing stories about the integral role that African Americans have played in the history of the Nation over the past 400 years.

Our (G)RACE Speaks committee will lead the Healing Day & Bell Ringing Ceremony at Old South as a way of embracing *Sankofa*, a West African concept which teaches that we must go back to our roots in order to move forward.

### **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](http://www.oldsouth.org/calendar) for a calendar of events, and the general website [www.oldsouth.org](http://www.oldsouth.org) for more on the history, staff, and other 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.