

# All-Church Worship Old South Church in Boston

January 30th, 2022 **4** 10:00 a.m.

# A Jubilee of Generosity Consecration Sunday

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**

Given the unprecedented surge in COVID-19 infections driven by the Omicron variant, Old South's Blue Ribbon Task Force has recommended a pause on ensemble singing, including congregational hymn singing, through February 13<sup>th</sup> at the earliest. We appreciate your patience during this challenging period.

**PRELUDE** 

Is there Anyone Here, Loves My Jesus? THE WILLIE SORDILLO ENSEMBLE Traditional

leads us in today's worship music.

HYMN When the Saints Go Marchin' In

Traditional

Oh, when the saints go marching in Oh, when the saints go marching in Oh, Lord I want to be in that number When the saints go marching in

And on that Hallelujah Day Oh, on that Hallelujah Day Oh, Lord I want to be in that number When the saints go marching in

And when the revelation comes When the revelation comes Oh, Lord I want to be in that number When the saints go marching in

PASSING OF THE PEACE Nancy S. Taylor

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

WELCOME

**INVOCATION** 

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Shawn M. Fiedler

**ATTEND** 

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:27-31, 35-38 Alexandra Kennedy

REFLECTORS Megan and Brandon Smith

Brandon is Chief Corporate, Securities & Finance Counsel at GE and Megan is an elementary school teacher.

They are parents to Harry and Eli who are both in our Church School.

CALL TO PRAYER Jessica Young Chang

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

### 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 Lift it On Up Willie Sordillo

# **RESPOND**

CALL TO THE OFFERING Shawn M. Fiedler



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OFFERTORY Just a Closer Walk with Thee Traditional

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN **Jesus on the Mainline** Traditional

Jesus on the main line, tell Him what you want Jesus on the main line, tell Him what you want Jesus on the main line, tell Him what you want You can call Him up and tell Him what you want

You can call Him up, call Him up and tell Him what you want You can call Him up, call Him up and tell Him what you want Call Him up, call Him up and tell Him what you want Go on, call Him up and tell Him what you want

> His line is never busy, tell Him what you want His line is never busy, tell Him what you want His line is never busy, tell Him what you want Go on, call Him up and tell Him what you want

BIDDING TO MISSION AND BENEDICTION

Nancy S. Taylor

POSTLUDE Iko. Iko Traditional

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The flowers today are given by Kevin Guy in celebration of his grandfather, Robert Guy, who celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday this month.

Close-Up, a twenty minute tour of the Sanctuary, begins following Worship at the front of the Sanctuary.

Led by docent Stephanie LaShoto.



# Notes on Today's Music

With the exception of the prayer response, all of the music in today's service comes from the vital New Orleans jazz tradition. This music has been played by street bands at celebrations ranging from Mardi Gras to funeral marches. New Orleans, with its mix of people with African, European and Creole roots was a unique melting pot which allowed an intermingling of cultures unlike anywhere else at the turn of the 20th century, giving rise to this truly American art form.

The musicians participating in today's service are:

John Baboian, guitar; Doug Rich, bass; Zac Casher, drums; Zoë Krohne, vocals; Willie Sordillo, alto saxophone.



# 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

Howard Cha-Young Kim, 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

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Elias Perez, Senior Sexton � Ozo Nwodo, Richard Serebour, and David Brode, Sextons
Corey Spence, Weekday Receptionist
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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.



# Old South Church in Boston \* Week of January 30th, 2022

## A JUBILEE OF GENEROSITY

Consecration Thursday January 27<sup>th</sup> and Consecration Sunday January 30<sup>th</sup>

This week's services feature the Wille Sordillo Ensemble cooking up some New Orleans style jazz (for sax, guitar, bass, drums and vocals) just for you. Come, swing, sway and celebrate to: Just a Closer Walk with Thee, Jesus on the Mainline, When the Saints Go Marchin' In, Does Anyone Here Love My Jesus?, and Iko,



Iko. The Stewardship Committee is planning some sweet treats as you depart the sanctuary. Thank you and bless you for being as wind in the sails of this great ship of faith.

Your 2022 Pledge card should have already arrived and you can bring it with you to the service of your choice. You can also pledge online by going to tinyurl.com/OSCGiving2022.

Giving Envelopes for 2022 are now available at the Church. If you would like envelopes contact Helen McCrady, helen@oldsouth.org.

### JOIN OLD SOUTH'S WINTER WALK 2022 TEAM

Sunday, February 13th, 9:00 a.m., Copley Square

Old South will have a team at this year's Winter Walk. The walk takes place on Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022 beginning at 9:00 in Copley Square. The goal of the walk is to raise awareness of the needs of our friends and neighbors who struggle with homeless issues. Go to tinyurl.com/Winterwalk2022 and click on the fund raiser box (the first one) and click on register for a team. We are the *Old South Church-Boston* team. To make a donation go to tinyurl.com/Winterwalk2022Donate and change the recipient to our team name. For more information email Ralph Watson at ralphwatson258@gmail.com.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Happy Birthday to all our members and friends born in January. Even though we can't share cake, we hope your celebration is joyous!

### **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 jessica young chang at jess@oldsouth.org.

### SUNDAY'S COMMUNITY HOUR FORUM: Amirah House

Following All-Church Worship, 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall,

And on Zoom at tinyurl.com/OSCForum

Amirah House, which Old South helped to found, provides aftercare, resources, and opportunities to women who have survived different forms of sexual exploitation, sex trafficking, & prostitution. They do this by offering residential recovery opportunities, organizing outreach efforts, & educating communities, providers, and policy makers on the unique challenges victims and survivors face in the Northeastern United States. Join us for a presentation by Mary Speta, Amirah's CIO, and learn how you can support this vital mission.

### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY HOUR FORUMS**

Sundays, following All-Church Worship, 2nd floor Mary Norton Hall, and on Zoom at tinyurl.com/OSCForum

- **2/6 "Say Amen, Somebody":** a discussion of the 1982 documentary film directed by George Nierenberg about the history and significance of gospel music as told through the lives and trials of its singers. To view the documentary for free click over to tinyurl.com/SayAmenOSC and use the password: Boston
- 2/13 "Marian Anderson: The Whole World in Her Hands": This documentary explores the life and legacy of the famous singer who became an icon for the civil rights movement. Available on Amazon Prime and PBS Passport.
- **2/20 "Respect":** a conversation about the film that follows the rise of Aretha Franklin's career from a child singing in her father's church's choir to her international superstardom. Available on Amazon Prime.

### **COVID PRECAUTIONS**

As we are all aware, COVID has not gone away. We need to be extra cautious through January. Between now and then the virus will be relentless. Here's our thinking at Old South Church, although we reserve the right to pivot on a dime, depending on the virus:



- We will remain open daily for visitors.
- Masking is mandated, as is social distancing.
   Do upgrade any cloth masks to at least a three-ply surgical mask.
- If you have so much as a sniffle, do not enter the building.
- We encourage you to get tested as often as possible, or as often as necessary, considering your circumstances and the availability of tests.
- We are suspending ensemble singing and congregational singing through mid-February.

### JAZZ WORSHIP – Thursdays at 6 p.m.

We will continue to be hybrid (both in person and remote; masking and social distancing; congregational singing will be curtailed).

### ALL CHURCH WORSHIP - Sundays at 10 a.m.

We will continue to be hybrid (both in person and remote; masking and social distancing; congregational singing will be curtailed, as will the presence of vocal ensembles).

### OTHER PROGRAMING AND MEETINGS

We expect most of our other programming (meetings, classes, small groups) to go remote for the month of January. Church School families should check their Friday newsletter from Kate for details on children's classes. Stay tuned. Stay safe.

### DONATE FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

sign up now to get a date that is meaningful to you,

### Only 7 Sundays still available, including Sunday February 20th

The church is open for worship on Sunday mornings and we have beautiful flowers in front of the pulpit again! Would you like to give the flowers one Sunday in memory or honor of a special person or event? Go to tinyurl.com/SundayFlowers2022 to sign up for a Sunday or contact Helen McCrady, helen@oldsouth.org. Due to the COVID economy the price has gone up to \$100. Please send your message along with your payment. You can drop it off, send a check, or go to www.oldsouth.org/donate and make your gift online.

# **CONNECTIONS Two Opportunities!**

Saturday, February 12th, at 10 a.m. or Sunday, February 13th, following Worship in the 4th Floor Guild Room. Go to tinyurl.com/ConnectionsFeb2022 to join on Zoom

To be a member of Old South Church is to enter the company of Revolutionary Era heroes, abolitionists, suffragettes, anti-poverty crusaders, and poets. Our saints include Benjamin Franklin, Samuel Adams, Phillis Wheatley... and maybe you! Want to learn more about the life of this community of faith? Join our Connections Info Session! For more info contact Rev. Katherine Schofield at katherine@oldsouth.org

# GREEN TIP: TED Talk About Science Helping Climate

New innovations in gene and stem cell technology have the power to shape ecosystems and even change humanity. Go to *tinyurl.com/ReshapingEvolution* to hear an episode of the TED Radio Hour where speakers share the breakthroughs heralding the next scientific revolution.

### THROUGH THE BIBLE

Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., on Zoom

Join us as we journey at a reflective and thorough pace through the Hebrew Bible. We're currently reading through Psalms. For more information and the Zoom link, email Howard Cha-Young Kim at howard@oldsouth.org.

### THE CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregivers' Support Group is a gathering for sharing and support, open to members and friends of Old South serving as caregivers to others. This group is facilitated by Rev. Dr. Frankie Doolittle, Old South Member, Counselor and ordained UCC Minister. If you are interested in attending please contact jessica young chang at jess@oldsouth.org.

### **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.