



**Old South Church, UCC  
The First Congregational Church and Society  
Windsor, Vermont**

*~ All Members Ministers ~*

**2018 – Celebrating 250 Years of Worship  
and Community Service**

**OLD SOUTH CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
WINDSOR, VERMONT**

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**October 28, 2018**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Welcome to Old South Church. If you are visiting today, we are glad that you're here. Please take a minute to sign your name and address in the guest book outside the Sanctuary. Our service is responsive; the Worship leader reads what is written in regular print and the Congregation is invited to respond with what is written in **bold**. The "\*" indicates that all who are able may stand, but feel free to sit if it is more comfortable. We use two hymnals: *The Chalice Hymnal* (blue) and *The Faith We Sing Hymnal* (black, soft cover). The hymnal is indicated with the hymn selections.

***We respectfully ask that all cell phones be turned off during the service.***

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT**

**LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE**

(Alycia Longriver, Native Amer. Micmac, '95)

Creator, open our hearts **to peace and healing between all people.**  
Creator, open our hearts **to provide and protect for all children of the earth.**  
Creator, open our hearts **to respect for the earth, and all the gifts of the earth.**  
Creator, open our hearts **to end exclusion, violence, and fear among all.**

**Thank You for the gifts of this day and every day.**

2.

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*(Lectionary Liturgies)*

What can we do to have life?

**We can seek God, who gives us life in every moment.**

What can we do to serve justice in our world?

**We can set aside that which keeps us from following Jesus –  
wealth, pride, power, whatever.**

What can we do to share the good news with others?

**We can open ourselves to the Spirit,  
so people can see God at work in us.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*(Lectionary Liturgies)*

**Each morning, at the table, You offer a serving of love,  
not so we will scarf it down and rush out the door,  
but so that we have more than enough  
to share with everyone we meet, God who cares for us.**

**Each day, when our courage begins to lag  
and we think we just cannot listen to one more lie,  
watch the powerful ridicule the vulnerable,  
have the courage to confront evil, You offer a serving of justice,  
so that we can continue to follow,  
Jesus who has given up everything for us.**

**Each evening, as we check social media, turn on the news,  
listen to the voices on the radio,  
and are tempted to simply believe there is nothing to do but  
fall into the arms of despair for comfort, You offer us a cup of peace,  
with lots of mercy and hope stirred in, so we can rest in You,  
Spirit who is always with us.**

**Each moment, and every moment, You serve us with all we need,  
God who cares for Us, Jesus who gave up everything for us,  
Spirit who is always with us. Amen and Amen.**

### 3.

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE #86**

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

*(Chalice)*

#### **CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

*(Lectionary Liturgies)*

We have failed, we have not lived as God's people.  
And while we think we should hide, God invites us to come,  
to confess our lives, and to be restored to wholeness. Let us pray:

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*(Lectionary Liturgies)*

**There are so many things, Wise God, which keep us from following Jesus. We try to turn justice into a bitter pill for others. We push righteousness out of the way, so we can seek those who tell lies. We know, deep down inside, that one thing which keeps us from faithful living, but just can't loosen our grip on it. We can't seem to do it, God who remembers us, but because everything is possible with You, give us the wisdom to know what that one thing might be; the grace to let go and leave it behind us; and the courage to follow Jesus wherever he might lead us, especially into that life which You offer in love and hope.**

#### **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

#### **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS**

*(Lectionary Liturgies)*

Here at the seat of grace, we are forgiven, and can climb up  
and find the love of God comforting and restoring us to new life.

**Every moment, God offers us a serving of love and mercy,  
so we can continue to live as God intends.**

**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #35**

*(Chalice)*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.**



5.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sat. Nov. 3 A Memorial Service for Marguerite Tetreault**

Please join family and friends as we gather to celebrate the life of Marguerite Tetreault. Memories and photos to share are welcome.

Memorial contributions may be made to Old South Church, PO Box 298, Windsor, VT 05089, or to Weston Priory, 58 Priory Hill Road, Weston, VT 05161-6400. Condolences may be expressed to her family in an online guestbook at [www.knightfuneralhomes.com](http://www.knightfuneralhomes.com)

**Sun., Nov. 4 Worship Service, 10:00am, Followed By  
*The Best of Thanksgiving Pie and Coffee Hour***

If you are willing to bake a pie, please let Betsy, Sue, or Kathy know.

**Begin Setup for Holiday Bazaar (See Schedule Below)**

**Thanksgiving Bags**

Please see information on the easel in the foyer downstairs. Deadline is 11/4/18.

**St. Francis of Assisi Giving Tree**

Please see information on the easel in the foyer downstairs. Deadline is 11/9/18.

**Dave Ranson**

If you'd like to send a card to Dave Ranson, who has been healing from a heart attack, please use the following address: Dave Ranson, Genesis Elm Wood Center, 290 Hanover Street, Claremont, NH 03743.

**Christmas Bazaar**

All proceeds will go toward finishing paying for the new furnace.

**Sunday, Nov. 4 Setup, Following Worship**

We'll bring up all of the Christmas items from the basement. If you have anything to donate for the sale, please bring it November 4<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>.

**Monday, Nov. 5 – Friday, Nov. 9 Setup & Arrange Items, 9:00am – Noon**

**Saturday, Nov. 10 Price Items in the Christmas Attic**

**Sunday, Nov. 11 Church Preview of the Bazaar, Following Worship**

**Saturday, Nov. 17 Christmas Bazaar, 9:00am – Noon**

Our "Chili to Go" Lunch will feature our award-winning Tongues of Fire Chili

**Sunday, Nov. 18 Half-Price Sale in the Attic, Following Worship  
Open to the Public: 12-2pm**

Cleanup begins at 2:00pm