



**THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE  
OF ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
OF  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

You and your Lady are cordially invited to join with the **Grand Master** at the  
**Signal Lanterns Lighting Commemoration Ceremony**

**Friday, April 18, 2025 at 6:30 PM**  
**Old North Church**  
370 Hanover Street, Boston / Paul Revere Mall

Two hundred fifty years ago, on the night of **April 18, 1775**, a quiet but decisive act of defiance set the course for revolution. Under the cover of darkness, **Robert Newman** and **Captain John Pulling**, both Freemasons, ascended the steeple of **Old North Church** and briefly hung two lanterns. Their signal, seen by **Paul Revere** and **William Dawes**, launched the legendary midnight rides to warn the countryside of the British advance. But the light was also spotted by the Regulars, forcing Newman and Pulling to flee—forever altering their lives and the fate of a nation.

On **April 18, 2025**, the **Grand Lodge of Massachusetts**, partnered with **Old North Illuminated** and the **City of Boston**, will once again illuminate the steeple, honoring the courage and sacrifice of those who ignited the American Revolution.

- ◆ **Welcome** – The Honorable **Michelle Wu**, **Mayor of Boston**, will officially **kick off Patriots Day Weekend**, marking the start of the commemorations honoring the heroes of 1775.
- ◆ **Theatrical Performance** – *Revolutionary Edge*, a dramatic retelling of the night's events by **Old North Illuminated**
- ◆ **Lantern Lighting Ceremony** – The historic signal will shine once more from the steeple of **Old North Church**
- ◆ **Reenactment: Paul Revere's Ride Begins** – After the lantern lighting, a reenactor portraying **Paul Revere** will row across the Charles River, retracing the first steps of his fateful journey

Brethren attending are requested to be dressed in a dark suit and tie and are encouraged to wear their **REV250 aprons**, symbolizing our fraternal connection to the Revolution and the events of that historic night.

These aprons can be ordered from the Grand Lodge Supply Office, online via [MassMasons.org](https://MassMasons.org).

**Things You Need to Know**

- **Outdoor Event:** April weather in Boston is unpredictable — please be prepared.
- **Inclement Weather Plan:** In the event of rain or snow, we will move to **St. Stephen's Catholic Church** (401 Hanover Street, Boston), directly across from Paul Revere Mall.
- **Standing Room Only:** Limited seating may be available for those in need on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Parking Advisory:** The North End has limited parking—public transportation is strongly recommended.
- **No meal:** No meal or refreshments are part of this event.

Join us as we commemorate the bravery, ingenuity, and brotherhood that helped spark a revolution and officially launch **Patriots Day Weekend 2025**.

Video link: [https://youtu.be/a-vPZS\\_7jRs?si=LPQiYlBM6o0qD-Mi](https://youtu.be/a-vPZS_7jRs?si=LPQiYlBM6o0qD-Mi)

**Massachusetts Masons:** Please REGISTER on [MassMasons.org](https://MassMasons.org) by Saturday, April 12. Final details will be sent by email.

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