

MOUNT AUBURN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

MAY 12, 2019

11:00 a.m.

*Large print bulletins are available from the Ushers.*

*Hearing Assistance Devices – see the Sound Operator, Chris Miller or Eric Burgmann.*

*A single asterisk (\*) before the liturgy indicates that the congregation is to stand if able.*

***People's response in bold.***

*Please turn off your cell phones before the service begins.*

*The service begins with the prelude. This is a time for meditative prayer, silence, and centering.*

*Please be mindful of your neighbor's desire to prepare for worship.*

**PRELUDE**

“Andante con moto”

Alexandre Guilmant

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mary Carol Melton

*Please sign the welcome register (**include last names please**) and pass it to your neighbor. When all have signed, pass it back so you can see the names of those with whom you are worshiping. (**Please remove the signed page and place it in the offering plate**). Announcements are given by the liturgist. Those not printed in the bulletin must be handed to the liturgist before the service begins.*

**INTROIT**

“Come Walk with Us”

South African

**GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)**

We gather to hear the stories of those who first experienced Christ's resurrection life.

**We gather to find resurrection life in our own stories.**

We look to the faithful disciples of the past for hope in our present and future;

**We remember Tabitha in her devotion to good works and acts of charity.**

Surrounded by the great cloud of faithful witnesses across the ages,

**Our lives sing out our own witness to the hope we have in Christ.**

**PRAYER OF PRAISE**

\*HYMN #324

“For All the Faithful Women”

Nyland

**CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

**Confession (Responsive)**

You are my shepherd, I shall not want.

**But we find ourselves consumed with wanting more.**

You make me lie down in green pastures, you lead me beside still waters, you restore my soul.

**But other pastures seem greener. The waters aren't always still. Our souls still thirst.**

You lead me in right paths for your name's sake.

**We long to be led by you, though we may complain along the path.**

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff- they comfort me.

**And yet, sometimes we do fear. Help us to feel your presence, your comfort, and your forgiveness.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**Sometimes we refuse to sit down at your table. Forgive us and satisfy us with your abundant love.**  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in your house my whole life long.  
**Make us whole, God, and lead us into your house.**

**Silence is kept for Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Response ##851**

Woza Nomthwalo Wakho

**Come, bring your burdens to God; come, bring your burdens to God;  
come, bring your burdens to God, for Jesus will never say no.**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**MOMENT WITH YOUNGEST DISCIPLES**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 23 pg. 501

**ANTHEM**

*"Ave Maria"*  
Chancel Choir; Julie Morris, *flute*

Caccini, arr. Liebergen

**SCRIPTURE** Acts 9:36-43 pg. 128

**SERMON**

*"Contagious Resurrection"*

The Reverend Stacey Midge

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**\*HYMN #801**

*"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"*

Crimond

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

*(Prayer requests may be noted on the clipboard on the Usher stand, in the narthex.)*

**CALL FOR OFFERING**

**Offertory**

*"Psalm 23"*

Gerhard Krapf

**\*Doxology #709**

*"God, We Honor You"*

Abundant Blessings

**God, we honor you. God, we trust in you. God, we worship and adore you.**

**Take what we bring, offered to you. Teach us to show your abundant blessings.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.**

**\*Dedication**

**\*HYMN #296, vss. 1 & 2 only**

*"Go in Grace and Make Disciples"*

Wondrous Light

**CHARGE**

**BENEDICTION**

**\*Response #7, vs. 1**

*“Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth”*

Norwich

**Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world.**

**Creator, source of every breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“Allegro” from Concerto in G Major*

J. S. Bach