

MOUNT AUBURN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
19th Sunday after Pentecost

OCTOBER 20, 2019

11:00 a.m.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the Ushers.

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

"Ubi Caritas"

Benoit

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave Simon

*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 worshipping. (**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

"All You Need Is Love"

Lennon/McCarthy

GATHERING WORDS (Responsive)

Have you heard what love can do?

We have heard what love can do -

In voices lifted in song and prayer, in words of challenge and comfort.

Have you felt what love can do?

We have felt what love can do -

In hugs and handshakes, gentle and hearty, in the confidence of having made a difference.

Have you seen what love can do?

In our worship and our work, in our welcoming and our wondering,

We have seen what love can do!

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN #409

"God Is Here!"

Abbot's Leigh

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Confession (Unison)

Holy God, your love for us is endless, and invites us into lifestyles of love that share your abundance with all. We confess that our capacity for love is limited by fear, anger, and shame. When we are stingy with our time, our abilities, or our resources, relax our grasping hands. When we feel entitled to receive but not obligated to give, nudge our egos out of the way. Grow generous hearts within us, God - hearts that are open to share all of who we are and all of what we have with this world that you embrace with love and invite us to embrace as well.

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.**

**Come, bring your burdens to God; come, bring your burdens to God;
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PASSING THE PEACE

MOMENT WITH YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Psalm 121 pg. 571

ANTHEM

"One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"
Chancel Choir

Craig Courtney

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 4:8-11 pg. 235

SERMON "Maintaining Love"

The Reverend Stacey Midge

MOMENT OF SILENCE

*HYMN #703

"Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

St. Catherine

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

CALL FOR OFFERING

Offertory

"What Wondrous Love"

Larkin

*Doxology #716, vs. 3

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Beach Spring

**Treasure, too, You have entrusted, gain through powers Your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands, in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.**

*Dedication

*HYMN #316

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

Twenty-Fourth

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

***Response #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.

POSTLUDE

"Deo Gracias"

Phillips