

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!
Sunday, May 12th, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Easter
CHRIST IS RISEN! LOVE IS COME AGAIN!

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

**indicates the community stands, as able

PRELUDE *Voluntary in D* W. Croft

Please rise to sing:

VOICES UNITED **240 *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

**CALL TO WORSHIP ...The Hancock Family

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

O Holy One, we come in your love.

We are sons and daughters, sisters and brothers.

O Holy One, we trust in your love.

We are aunts and uncles, nieces and nephews.

O Holy One, we serve in your love.

We are parents and grandparents, family and friends.

O Holy One, we share in your love.

**We are each part of a family,
and all part of your earthly family.** *(by Diane Hancock)*

**PEACE GREETING ...Michael Brooks

May the peace of the risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

(The Community exchanges words and signs of peace)

ANTHEM *For the Beauty of the Earth* J. Rutter

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY NEWS

BAPTISM AND WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

**CHURCH FAMILY RESPONSE

Will you, with God's help, reach out to one another and our world as we grow spiritually in a caring, affirming Christian community?

We will.

Will you who form the community of love in which our shared values are lived out keep these individuals in your hearts and prayers, and

provide an example of affirming, caring, growing spiritually and reaching out to them, with God's help? **We will.**

**A NEW CREED

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

**POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us pray. *(all seated)*

THE ACT OF BAPTISM

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

As God's people in this community,

**we welcome you, we affirm who you are, and we seek
to include you in the life and the ministry we all share.**

VOICES UNITED **646 *We are Marching*

We are marching in the light of God...

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

...Martha Reynolds

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

SEEKING TO GROW SPIRITUALLY

FIRST BIBLE READING Psalm 23 (page 553, OT)
...Dale Estey, reader

MORE VOICES **126 *Are You a Shepherd?*

**GOSPEL BIBLE READING John 10: 22-30 (page 107, NT)
For the Word of God in Scripture, among us, and within us.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON “EVERYTHING YOU NEED”

RESPONDING IN CARE

OFFERTORY *The Greatest of These Is Love* L. Lamb
...The BelAirs

**SUNG RESPONSE

**Praise God the giver and the Gift;
All hearts and voices now uplift:
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Creator, Christ and Spirit One
From whom new life and joy have come: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION

REACHING OUT IN LOVE

VOICES UNITED **273 *The King of Love*

**COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Siyahumba* arr. A. L. Page