

About First Mennonite Church

First Mennonite Church is affiliated with the Mennonite denomination. The Mennonites are named for Menno Simons, one of our early church leaders, and are rooted historically in the "Anabaptist" movement (Switzerland, 1525). Some primary Anabaptist values then and now are following Jesus Christ in life through service, rejection of violence, living simply and joy in participatory worship.

Pursuing God's dreams by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the way of Jesus Christ. ~ Vision of Mountain States Mennonite Conference

Vision: Healing and Hope

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

~ Vision Statement of Mennonite Church USA



First Mennonite Church of Denver

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For more information about today's schedule, the weeks to come, or about our congregation, please visit our Welcome Table in the foyer. *If you are not receiving the FMC Weekly, a weekly e-newsletter from the church, go to the church's website at www.fmcdenver.org to subscribe. Look for the box in the upper right corner and enter your information.*

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Welcome to First Mennonite Church

Denver, Colorado



March 14, 2010

11:00 AM

Lent 4
Holding On and Letting Go

May this be a place of hope and transformation for all who enter here.

Gathering Music

For the beauty of the earth (vss. 1, 4, 5) - HWB 89

Qui Tollis from Messe Solennelle by Rossini

Qui tollis peccata mundi - [He] who takes away the sins of the world

miserere nobis - have pity on us

suscipe deprecati onem - accept our prayer

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris - [He] who sits near the Father

Sara Martin and Nikki KandeLind, vocals

Vicki Mierau, harmonium (organ)

Opening

What is this place - HWB 1

Come, let us all unite to sing (vss. 1,3) - HWB 12

Welcome and Introductions

Passing the Peace

(Option: “*Namaste*” - *The divine in me recognizes the divine in you.*)

Call to Worship

Invocation

Introit - *Air* by Handel

(The prayer cloth will be given to someone in our congregation as a sign of our prayers for them.)

Children’s Time

Exploring

Chimes sound three times:
for what is old, for change, for that which is new

Bible Reading - Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Meditation

Living

Musical Meditation

I shall arise

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Offering

Offertory - *Rock of Ages* arranged by Evans

Offering of Life - Pastoral Partners

Sending

Rain down - STJ 49

Benediction

Leadership for this Service

Worship Leader - Annie Lengacher Browning

Meditation – Vern Rempel

Song Leader – Nikki KandeLind

Accompanist - Randy Macy

Children’s Time - Ben Gerig

Introit Procession - Brad and Katrina Schrock and Family

Flowers - Arzella Dirksen

Cover Graphic - Jess Rempel

Thank you to all who have given generously of their attention and talents to make this service a time of encouragement and a challenge in our walk of faith.

Worship Services - 8:30 and 11:00 AM

Education Hour - 9:45 - 10:45 AM

(also Grocery Card Sales)

Coffee and donuts by Junior Youth/MYF - 9:30-11:00 AM

(Except Easter Sunday & May 30 -- one service at 10:00 AM)