

*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.*

*We welcome our visitors today.
You will find visitor cards in the pew racks.*

Please join us after the service for coffee and donuts.

Today - Education Hour - 9:45-10:45 AM

Children and Youth, ages 2-18 - Basement; No classes today for adults

Potluck with Graduate Reception - Noon

Followed by a Question & Answer Time with Tory Doerksen

Next Sunday Morning - Music Celebration Sunday

Worship Services - 8:30 and 11:00

Education Hour for Children and Youth - 9:45-10:45

Congregational Meeting - 10:00

Coffee and donuts by MYF - 9:30 (also grocery card sales)

Welcome to

First Mennonite Church

Denver, Colorado



*May 16, 2010
Season of Easter*

Worship 8:30 AM
Education Hour 9:45 AM

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



First Mennonite Church of Denver

www.fmcdenver.org, 303-892-1038

For more information about today's schedule, the weeks to come,
or about our congregation, please visit our Welcome Table in the foyer.

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Transition Music

--You may light prayer candles at any time during our worship service--

Opening

Longing for Light - STJ 54
God, whose giving - HWB 383

Call to Worship
Invocation

Children's Time

Centering

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

Reading
Gracious Spirit, dwell with me - HWB 507
Silence
Dona nobis pacem Domine - HWB 294

Exploring

Bible Reading - Matthew 16:19; Psalm 105:1-8

Meditation - Tory Doerksen introduction

Living

The symbolic feast of communion
Prayer - STJ 174
Eat this bread - HWB 471 (sing while sharing communion)
(You may bring your monetary offerings to the communion table.)

Prayers of the people
(adapted from *Take our moments and our days: An Anabaptist prayer book*)

Listening God, we bring our prayers to you as acts of love
for you and our neighbors.

God of compassion, hear our prayer.

You hold out your hand of mercy.
We pray for ourselves and those who are dear to us.

(open prayers)
In your mercy, God,
hear our prayer.

We turn our face toward our wounded world.
We pray for our community and for our neighbors.

(open prayers)
In your mercy, God,
hear our prayer.

We offer you other concerns we carry in our hearts.
(open prayers)
In your mercy, God,
hear our prayer.

O Lord, hear my prayer - HWB 348

Trusting in your enduring love, we pray with joy:
Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in who is heaven;
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For your reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever.

Amen.

(from *New Zealand Book of Common Prayer*)

Sending

O thou, in whose presence - HWB 559
Benediction

Transition Music

Leadership for this Service

Worship Planning/Leading – Vern Rempel & Charlie Ferguson
Children's Story - Tory Doerksen
(over)