Welcome to

Giving

Checks: Write a check to FMC and mail to 430 W 9th Ave, Denver CO 80204.

Cash: Collect your weekly cash offering in an envelope and bring it to FMC when we are able to gather in person.

Online: Go to www.fmcdenver.org/giving. You can make a one-time contribution or set up a recurring contribution by credit/debit card or through a direct withdrawal from your checking account.

Grocery Cards/SCRIP: If you would like to purchase grocery cards, send a check to FMC with a note listing which store's cards you would like (Natural Grocers, Sprouts, or Safeway). Remember, cards are \$50 each. Marie will mail the grocery cards to you.

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Sing

That you may know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Entering Worship 9:30 am

Welcome

Of the Father's Love Begotten Hymnal: A Worship Book 104

Children's Time

Gloria HWB 204

Announcements & Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship

We sing our praises to you, O Holy Love!

We will raise our voices with joy.

You protect orphans, you give the desolate a home.

You lead the prisoners to prosperity.

You march with us through the wilderness.

Our hearts overflow with gratitude. How could we stop singing your praises?

Invocation

Faith Reflection

Chimes

Scripture Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

In Lonely Mountain Ways (vs. 1 & 2) HWB 560

Meditation "Sing"

In Lonely Mountain Ways (vs. 3) HWB 560

Chimes

Community and Sharing

Offering

Pastoral Prayer

Could it be that God is Singing

Benediction

Leadership for this Service

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Thanks to all who generously shared their attention and talents to make this service a time of encouragement and challenge in our walk of faith.

Entering Worship

Of the Father's Love Begotten (HWB 104)

Vs 1 Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he,Of the things that are and have been,And that future years shall see, evermore and evermore!

Vs 2 By his word was all created. He commanded and 'twas done.
 Earth and sky and boundless ocean, universe of Three-in-One.
 All that sees the moon's soft radiance,
 All that breathes beneath the sun, evermore and evermore!

- Vs 3 This is he whom seers in old time chanted of with one accord,
 Whom the voices of the prophets promised in their faithful word.
 Now he shines, the long expected.
 Let creation praise its Lord, evermore and evermore!
- Vs 4 O ye heights of heav'n, adore him, angel hosts, his praises sing. Pow'rs, dominions, fall before him, and extol our God and king. Let no tongue on earth keep silent, Ev'ry voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore!

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Gloria (HWB 204)

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Music: Jacques Berthier

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Faith Reflection

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (NRSV)

Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered;

let those who hate him flee before him.

As smoke is driven away, so drive them away;

as wax melts before the fire,

let the wicked perish before God.

But let the righteous be joyful;

let them exult before God;

let them be jubilant with joy.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;

lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds—

his name is the Lord—

be exultant before him.

Father of orphans and protector of widows

is God in his holy habitation.

God gives the desolate a home to live in;

he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,

but the rebellious live in a parched land.

O God, when you went out before your people,

when you marched through the wilderness, Selah

the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain

at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;

you restored your heritage when it languished;

your flock found a dwelling in it;

in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;

sing praises to the Lord, Selah

O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God,

whose majesty is over Israel;

and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God in his sanctuary,

the God of Israel;

he gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God!

In Lonely Mountain Ways (HWB 560)

- Vs 1 In lonely mountain ways of this world's trial and care,
 My heart knows naught of fear-scarred days;
 The Master's hand is there!
- Vs 2 My journey may be long, the pathway rough and steep.Sufficient for each day my song; my way the Lord does keep.
- Vs 3 And though when evening falls, a stone my pillow shapes, The vision of our kingdom calls and here a Bethel makes.

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