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Welcome to

# **First Mennonite Church**

*Denver, CO*



***July 19, 2020***

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

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You know us deeply, O God.

**You know our deeds, our thoughts, our deepest feelings.**

May all of them be acceptable offerings to you.

**Let us sing songs of praise to God.**

Let us sing until our hearts sing with God's.

**Hallelujah!**

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## **Entering Worship**

***When All Thy Mercies, O My God*** (HWB 72)

Vs 1 When all thy mercies, O my God, my rising soul surveys,  
Transported with the view, I'm lost in wonder, love and praise.

Vs 3 Through ev'ry period of my life thy goodness I'll pursue,  
And after death, in distant worlds, the glorious theme renew.

Vs 4 Through all eternity, to thee a joyful song I'll raise,  
But, oh, eternity's too short to utter all thy praise!

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***Kumbayah*** (S&R 82)

Vs 1 Kumbayah, my Lord, Kumbayah! Kumbayah, my Lord, Kumbayah!  
Kumbayah, my Lord, Kumbayah! O Lord, Kumbayah.

Vs 3 Someone's singing, Lord, Kumbayah! ...

Vs 4 Someone's praying, Lord, Kumbayah! ...

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## **Faith Reflection**

***Psalm 139:1-12***

God, you have examined me.

You know me.

You know when I sit down and when I stand up.

Even from far away, you comprehend my plans.

You study my traveling and resting.

You are thoroughly familiar with all my ways.

There isn't a word on my tongue, O God,

that you don't already know completely.

You surround me—front and back.

You put your hand on me.

That kind of knowledge is too much for me;

it's so high above me that I can't reach it.

Where could I go to get away from your spirit?

Where could I go to escape your presence?

If I went up to heaven, you would be there.

If I went down to the grave, you would be there too!  
If I could fly on the wings of dawn,  
stopping to rest only on the far side of the ocean—  
even there your hand would guide me;  
even there your strong hand would hold me tight!  
If I said, “The darkness will definitely hide me;  
the light will become night around me,”  
even then the darkness isn’t too dark for you!  
Nighttime would shine bright as day,  
because darkness is the same as light to you!

***Confitemini Domino (Come and Fill Our Hearts)*** (STJ 59)

*English* Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia.

*Spanish* Ven y llenanos de tu paz.

Solo tu, oh Dios, son Santo.

Ven y llenanos de tu paz, aleluya.

Text & Music: Jacques Berthier

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**Community & Sharing**

***Hope is a Candle*** (STS 15)

*Vs 1* Hope is a candle, once lit by the prophets,  
Never consumed, though it burns through the years;  
Dim in the daylight of power and privilege-  
When they are gone, hope will shine on.

*Vs 2* Peace is a candle to show us a pathway,  
Threatened by gusts from our rage and our greed.  
Friend, feel no envy for those in the shadows-  
Violence and force their dead-end course.

*Vs 3* Love is a candle whose light makes a circle,  
Where ev’ry face is the face of a friend.  
Widen the circle by sharing and giving-  
God’s holy dare: love everywhere.

*Vs 4* Joy is a candle of myst’ry and laughter,  
Myst’ry of light that is born in the dark;  
Laughter at hearing the voice of an angel,  
Ever so near, casting out fear.

*Vs 5* Christ is the light that the prophets awaited,  
Christ is the lion, the lamb, and the child.  
Christ is the love and the myst’ry and laughter-  
Candles, make way! Christ is the day.

Text: Robert Leach; Music: Scottish folk melody

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