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**Worship Leaders:** Claudia Aguilar and Glenn Balzer

**Meditation:** Abby Endashaw

**Music Coordinator:** Sonia Graber

**Musicians:** Romaine Anderson (piano), Cecil Graber (tenor), Sonia Graber (various)

**Children’s Time:** Katie Hegedus

**Sanctuary Arts:** Paul Johnson

**Video Editing:** Glenn Balzer

*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.*



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Welcome to

**First Mennonite Church**

*Denver, CO*



**Black History Month  
Guest Preacher Series:  
Abby Endashaw**

**February 7, 2021**

*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

Welcome

*O Great Spirit* Voices Together 51

Children’s Time

*Herr, füll mich neu (Fill Me Anew)* VT 739  
German read by Manfred Brancard

Announcements & Passing the Peace

Call to Worship VT 955  
*By Sarah Bixler, 2018*

Come among us, Holy Spirit,  
**And create a community of learning.**

Help us grow  
**In wisdom and understanding,**  
In skill and strength,  
**In knowledge that honors you.**

Teach us  
**To know you, ourselves, and our neighbors more fully,**  
To see your presence in the world more clearly,  
**To love more deeply- with heart, soul, mind, and strength.**

Form us  
**As doers of justice and lovers of mercy**  
As we walk humbly with you and one another  
**On this path of learning. Amen.**

Invocation

## Faith Reflection

Chimes

Scripture John 2:13-22

*Abana alathi (Abana in Heaven)* VT 675  
Arabic read by Mehdi Azouaoui

Meditation “Searching for God’s Dwelling Place”

*God Welcomes All / Amen* VT 32

Chimes

## Community & Sharing

Offering  
*Hallelujah!*  
African American Spiritual, arr. EP Smeltzer; performed by the Spirituals Project Choir at Celebration Hall, 2006

Pastoral Prayer

Benediction  
*Rise, Shine For Thy Light is a Comin’*  
African American Spiritual, arr. EP Smeltzer; performed by the Spirituals Project Choir at Celebration Hall, 2006

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**Today’s Guest Preacher: Abby Endashaw** works for Mennonite Central Committee Central States as the Young Adult Programs Coordinator. Her work with MCC emphasizes community centered programming, antiracism education, and supporting local partners doing peace and justice work. Before joining the MCC Central States staff, she earned a Master’s in Professional Counseling from Dallas Baptist University and worked as a children’s play therapist and a therapist for trauma survivors. When Abby’s not planning young adult programs or hanging with MCC’s international volunteers, she is likely watching *The Bachelor* or tucked into a new book!

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**See the worship booklet for text of scripture and hymns.**