

Welcome to

First Mennonite Church

Denver, CO



Bem-vindo! Bienvenido!

Byenveni!

September 19, 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 & Announcements

♪ *Tú has venido a la orilla (Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore)*

Vs. 1 & 2 in English then in Spanish

Voices Together 283

Vs 1 Lord, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones.
You only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
kindly smiling, have spoken my name.
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.

Vs 2 You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons,
but nets for fishing, my daily labor.

Vs 1 Tú has venido a la orilla,
no has buscado ni a sabios, ni a ricos,
tan sólo quieres que yo te siga.

Refrain Señor, me has mirado a los ojos
y sonriendo has dicho mi nombre.
En la arena he dejado mi barca;
junto a ti, buscaré otro mar.

Vs 2 Tú sabes bien lo que tengo;
en mi barca no hay oro ni espadas,
tan sólo redes y mi trabajo.

Sharing Peace

♪ **Call for Children: *Jesus Loves Me***

VT 516

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me.
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Children's Time

♪ ***Alleluia***

VT 650

Call to Worship

VT 384

One: Be sincere in your love for others.

All: Hate all that is evil, and hold tight to all that is good.

One: Love each other, and honor others more than yourself.

All: Bless everyone who mistreats you. Bless them and do not curse them.

One: When others are happy, be happy with them; when they are sad, be sad.

All: Make friends with ordinary people. Do not mistreat someone who has mistreated you.

One: But try to earn the respect of others, and do your best to live at peace with everyone.

All: Do not let evil defeat you, but defeat evil with good.

Invocation

Faith Reflection

Chimes

Scripture

Mark 9:30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

✠ ***Open My Eyes (Abre mis ojos)*** vs. 1 & 2 in English **VT 732**

Vs 1 Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
 Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Vs 2 Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.
 Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Meditation **“Bem-vindo! Bienvenido! Byenveni!”**

✠ ***Open My Eyes (Abre mis ojos)*** vs. 3, 5 in Spanish **VT 732**

Vs 3 Abre mi corazón, que quiero amar como tú.
 Abre mi corazón, ayúdame a amar.

Vs 5 Abre mis ojos, que quiero ver como tú.
 Abre mis ojos, ayúdame a ver.

Chimes

Community & Sharing

Offering

Prayer & Benediction

Congregational Sharing & Pastoral Prayer

Outdoor Worship

♪ *Beauty for Brokenness*

VT 712

Vs 1 Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair-
Lord, in the suffering, this is our prayer.
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset, your kingdom increase.

Vs 2 Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,
work for the artisans, trade for their skills.
Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.

Refrain God of the poor, friend of the weak, give us compassion, we pray.
Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.

Vs 3 Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

Vs 4 Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans, and streams,
plundered and poisoned, our future, our dreams.
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed;
make us content with the things that we need.

Refrain

Vs 5 Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame
until your justice burns brightly again;
until the nations learn of your ways,
seek your salvation, and bring you their praise

Refrain

♩ **Hamba nathi (Come, Walk with Us)**

VT 23

Zulu Hamba nathi mkululu wethu.
Hamba nathi mkululu wethu. (x2)
Mkululu, mkululu, mkululu wethu,
Mkululu, mkululu, mkululu wethu (x2)

Vs 1 Come, walk with us, the journey is long.
Come, walk with us, the journey is long. (x2)
The journey, the journey, the journey is long.
The journey, the journey, the journey is long. (x2)

Vs 2 Share our burden, and join in the song

Vs 3 Come, uplift us and bring us new life

Vs 4 Give us peace when the journey is done

Closing Prayer



Fellowship Time

Join us in the Community Center after worship for a time of fellowship.



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