

Welcome to

First Mennonite Church


Denver, CO



Restorative Communities

July 17, 2022

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

We invite you to join the congregation in singing the songs marked with .

Entering Worship

Prelude Music

Inscription of Hope (ZR Stroope)

Welcome & Announcements

Be Thou My Vision

Voices Together 549

- Vs 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- Vs 2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, thy child may I be,
Thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- Vs 3 Be thou my buckler, my sword for the fight.
Be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r.
Raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
- Vs 4 Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- Vs 5 True Light of heaven, when vict'ry is won
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Call to Worship

VT 902

Leader: Praise to God who has given us life.

People: **Blessed be God for the gift of love.**

Leader: Praise to God who forgives our sin.

People: Blessed be God who sets us free.

Leader: Praise to God who kindles our faith.

People: Blessed be God, our strength, our hope.

Passing the Peace

♪ **Call for Children: *Come and See*** (vs. 1)

VT 282

Vs 1 "Come and see, come and see, I am the way and the truth," said he.
"Follow me, follow me, come as a child, O come and see."

Children's Time

♪ ***Come and See*** (vs. 1 & 3)

VT 282

Vs 1 "Come and see, come and see, I am the way and the truth," said he.
"Follow me, follow me, come as a child, O come and see."

Verse 3

Descant

Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

Christe, Christe, adoramus te.

Christe, Christe, Christe eleison.

Alleluia, Kyrie eleison.

Invocation

Faith Reflection

Chimes

Scripture

1 Peter 1:8-11

Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow.

♪ ***We Are One in the Spirit*** (vs. 1, 2)

VT 387

Vs 1 We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Refrain And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Vs 2 We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

Meditation

"Restorative Communities"

♪ ***We Are One in the Spirit*** (vs. 3)

VT 387

Vs 3 We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

Refrain And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Chimes

Community & Sharing

Offertory

♪ ***Holy Spirit, Come with Power***

VT 57

Vs 1 Holy Spirit, come with power, breathe into our aching night.
We expect you this glad hour, waiting for your strength and light.
We are fearful, we are ailing, we are weak and selfish too.
Break upon your congregation, give us vigor, life anew.

Vs 2 Holy Spirit, come with fire, burn us with your presence new.
Let us as one mighty choir sing our hymn of praise to you.
Burn away our wasted sadness and enflame us with your love.
Burst upon your congregation, give us gladness from above.

Vs 3 Holy Spirit, bring your message, burn and breathe each word anew
Deep into our tired living till we strive your work to do.
Teach us love and trusting kindness, lend our hands to those who hurt.
Breathe upon your congregation and inspire us with your word.

Benediction

♪ *There Are Many Gifts*

VT 374

Refrain There are many gifts, but the same Spirit.
There are many works, but the same God,
and the Spirit gives each as it chooses.
Alleluia, praise God!

Vs 1 Now one has the gift of wisdom,
and other the calling to speak,
one the ability to comfort,
another the calling to teach.

Vs 2 A body has many members,
yet all work in unity.
The church is the body of Christ,
his arms, ears and eyes, hands and feet.

Vs 3 Not all are called to be prophets,
and not all are called to preach,
but all should aim for the best gifts
and love is the greatest of these.

Congregational Sharing & Introductions

Pastoral Prayer

♪ *My Soul Cries Out*

VT 412

Vs 1 My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,

and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest.
Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain My heart shall sing of the day you bring.
Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,
and the world is about to turn!

Vs 2 Though I am small, my God, my all,
you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past
to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame,
and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,
for the world is about to turn

Vs 3 From the halls of power to the fortress tower,
not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears
ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more
for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,
for the world is about to turn.

Vs 4 Though the nations rage from age to age,
we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard
is the promise which holds us bound,
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God,
who is turning the world around.

After the Service

10:45am Fellowship Hour (Community Center)

10:45am Activities for kids ages 0 to 5th grade (south patio)

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## **Acknowledgements for Worship Resources**

### *Be Thou My Vision*

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