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**Welcome to  
First Mennonite Church  
Denver, CO**



*Lent Week 4*

***Why Did It Have to be Snakes?***

March 10, 2024

*That you may know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,  
so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. – Ephesians 3:19*

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

**Entering Worship**      *What Wondrous Love is This*    arr. Robert D/. Vandall

♪ *Be Still and Know*      Voices Together Hymnal 37

## Welcome

**Christ Candle Procession:** ♪ *Let the Children Come to Me*      VT 512

## Children's Story

♪ *This Little Light of Mine*      VT 762

## Call to Worship

**Silent Faith Reflection**      Chimes/Silent

Meditation

## Invocation

God, we do not trust in a new creation for ourselves or for others. We do not really believe in recovery from addictions. We are awkward with gender transition. We refuse new romance after the death of someone long loved. We deny the possibility of joy and usefulness after the loss of sight, hearing, or mobility, or in the path of dementia. We treat family members as if they, of all human beings, cannot change. Forgive us and create in us a spirit so new that all the old intolerances pass away. Amen.

[time for silent confession]

God reconciles us through Christ Jesus so, healed, we can carry the good news of reconciliation to all.

**Silent Faith Reflection**      Chimes/Silent

Meditation

♪ *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*      VT 737

**Scriptures**      Numbers 21:4-9  
and John 3:14-21

**Meditation**      *Why Did It Have to be Snakes?*

**Musical Reflection**      *The Lord's Prayer*    comp. Albert Hay Malotte

## Offering, Announcements

♪ *From the Parent's Heart, the Firstborn*      VT 418

## Benediction

## Congregational Sharing and Introductions

## Pastoral Prayer

♪ *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      VT 638

*Directly After Service Coffee & Donuts Fellowship Hour (Community Ctr)*

## Leadership for this Service

**Meditation:**      Rev. Ann Rosewall  
**Worship Leader:**      Glenda Kauffman  
**Song Leader:**      Charlie Ferguson  
**Musician:**      Vicki Mierau and Romaine Anderson  
**Chimes:**      Annika Stutzman  
**Children's Storytime:**      Rachel Barnes  
**Lead Ushers:**      Brad and Marylou Shelly  
**Audio Tech:**      Evan Miller  
**Video/Livestream Tech:**      Kim Kauffman  
**Banner Design:**      Cindy Kauffman  
**Sanctuary Arts:**      Jennifer Miller  
**Grounds & Facility/Building:**      Paul Johnson  
**Bulletin:**      Lydia Cooper

**Bulletin Art:** *The Cross-Serpent*, Bronze Sculpture at Mount Nebo  
<https://holyland-sites.blogspot.com/2013/11/jordan-cross-serpent-bronze-sculpture.html>

