

Adult Education 10:45-11:45 AM

A posted congregational meeting will be led by Tom Bishop and Jonathan Moyer of the FMC Board to present the 2017 Ministry Plan and supporting Narrative, where they will be seeking input with opportunity for revisions and then calling for a voice vote of approval. The second agenda item will be the presentation and congregational vote on the Interim Authorizing Resolution giving the new five member Board authority to operate under the new governance structure until the Constitution and By-laws are updated. There will be a presentation of the proposed separation of some of the Articles from the existing Constitution to the Bylaws of the Board. Your participation and input are welcomed. Meet in the Sanctuary.

Prayer Requests

~ On behalf of **Al Martin and family**, thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. All of the cards, phone calls, and visits have been and continue to be deeply appreciated, and have been so helpful in keeping his spirits up. He is now at Kindred Hospital (3rd floor in Porter) at 2525 S. Downing (Denver), room 3320. Visitors are always welcome, so please feel free to drop in at any time. He loves the company, and it has such a wonderful impact on his recovery. His strength is returning and his health is improving daily. Thank you for your part in that. We are so fortunate to have you all in our network of love and support.

~ Thank you everyone for all the prayers for **Glenn Shirk** this week. He had surgery on his neck Sunday. He was able to return home on Wednesday, and will be starting rehab. Please pray for his continued recovery.

Upcoming Events:

May 10: FMC Board meeting, 7:00 pm, at FMC

May 21: Peace School Finale and Potluck
Recognizing our Seniors and Mentoring Pairs

June 2-3: FMC's Inaugural Community Rummage Sale and BBQ

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Welcome to

First Mennonite Church *Denver, Colorado*



May 7, 2017

Way of Transformation

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

Contemplative Worship Preparation 9:15 AM

Entering Worship 9:30 AM

Bright Morning Stars Jay Althouse *Safonia
Down in the Valley to Pray! Michael Cleveland

Welcome and Call to Worship

What is this place Blue hymnal 1
Sung in honor of John Ventura's 90th birthday!

Faith Reflection

Children's Time –

Jesus loves me ...they are sweet and he is strong...

Afterward, nursery care is available in B2 downstairs for children 1-4 yrs.

Alleluia round

Scripture Acts 2:42-47 and John 10:1-10

Meditation "21st Century Urban Anabaptist Concern"

Will you let me be your servant Blue book 307

Community Sharing

Offertory *Las Amarillas* Stephen Hatfield Safonia

Introductions & Pastoral Prayer

Sending *Grace Before Sleep* Susan LaBarr Safonia

Benediction

** Safonia is a women's vocal chamber ensemble dedicated to the synergy of music and passion, directed by Marla Wasson.*

Leadership for this Service

Meditation – John Ventura and Dan Wessner

Worship Leader and Pastoral Prayer – Theda Good

Song Leading & Gathering Music – Tory & Crystal Doerksen & Ken Stotts

Children's Story – Elizabeth Holdeman

Usher Coordinator – Don Finks

Audiovisual – Alyssa Bennett Smith

Flowers – Meredith Egli, remembering her parents' wedding anniversary

Thanks to all who have given generously of their attention & talents to make this service a time of encouragement & challenge in our walk of faith.

Acts 2:42-47 (NRSV)

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. 44 All who believed were together and had all things in common; 45 they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

John 10:1-10 (NRSV)

10 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. 2 The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' 6 Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

7 So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8 All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. 9 I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

After the worship service in the Community Center

- ♦ **Join us for refreshments** and help support our youth.
- ♦ **Purchase grocery cards** to help support the FMC Ministry Plan.
Pick up your reloadable King Soopers card today, and still earn points on your credit card.
- ♦ **OpEn TabLe:** Sign senior hymnals and sign up to help with Rummage Sale

Peace School Hour 10:45-11:45 AM

Children & Youth, ages 2-18: Peace School Classes in Basement

~Younger ages will be learning about Peter, the apostle and disciple.

~JYF will be learning about Paul's vision of going beyond ethnicity.

~MYF are leaving at 9:30am to visit Wash Park UCC with Jill.