

Thank you to:

Festival Choir Participants

Conductor – Dr. Mark Bartel

Musicians:	Romaine Anderson	Piano
	Kent Olson	Violin
	Stephanie Miller	Violin
	Mark Boykins	Baritone
	Sonia Graber	Hand percussion
	Emily Martin	Hand percussion
	Susan Graber	Soprano

Worship Leader – Alyssa Bennett Smith

Welcome and Pastoral Prayer – Glenn Balzer, Pastor, First Mennonite Church

Meditation – Vern Rempel, Pastor, Beloved Community Mennonite Church

Banner Art – Anne Friesen Birky

Floral Arrangement – Cindy Kauffman

Usher Coordinator – Ernie Kandel

Audiovisual – Evan Miller

Festival Food Preparation and Coordination:

Lola Hershberger, Roberta Kandel, Angie Nofziger

Special thanks to First Mennonite Church for the use of their facility and for hosting our event!

Dr. Mark Bartel is the Director of Choral Music at Friends University in Wichita, KS. He is also the Artistic Director of the Wichita Chamber Chorale. His credentials include a doctorate in conducting from the Eastman School of Music. He hails from a singing Mennonite family in Ontario.

Romaine Anderson has a bachelor's degree in Piano Performance from Furman University in Greenville, SC. He has worked as a music educator, teacher and accompanist in the Denver area. This fall, he joins the faculty at Westminster High School as the assistant choral director and general music teacher.

Mennonite Society of Musical Heritage (MSMH) is a group committed to preserving and building on the musical heritage of the Mennonite church. Our mission is to preserve the long-standing traditions of Mennonite singing in worship and in all aspects of our lives. The uniqueness of the Mennonite musical heritage can only be maintained if future generations are given the tools to learn, sing, and to enjoy great music. Ten years ago, we started a Denver-based youth choir program, Young Voices for Peace. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please put your name on our list located on the table behind the sanctuary. Visit our website at www.mennomusic.org.

MSMH Steering Committee: Leta Bontrager, Susan Graber,
Arlen Hershberger, Marjorie Hofer, Emily Martin

The Mennonite Society of Musical Heritage

Festival Choir Worship Service

Denver, Colorado

June 24, 2018, 10:00 am



Transformation

**Musical Celebration led by
Mennonite Society of Musical Heritage Festival Choir
Dr. Mark Bartel, Conductor**

PRAISE

Prelude *Intermezzo* Op 119 No 2 (Brahms)

Greeting Arlen Hershberger

Alleluia (J. H. Schein) Choir

**When the morning stars together* HWB 34

**All hail the power* HWB 285

***Welcome and Call to Worship** Alyssa Bennett Smith

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who created all things.

People: For your gift of creation, we give thanks.

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who is still creating.

People: For your creation still becoming, we give thanks.

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who creates through us.

People: For the hope of creation through us, we give thanks.

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, to join the harmony of the heavens and the earth you created.

People: For your gift of music, for songs that surround us in the dark of night, and for songs that waken us when morning breaks, we give thanks.

ALL: Creator of song, sing through us and bring your world to joy!

Achieved is the Glorious Work (F.J. Haydn from *Creation*) Choir

**Stand in body or spirit as you are able*

Parents of young children, if needed, toys & books are available in the Community Center across the foyer.

PRAYER

Welcome and Passing of the Peace Glenn Balzer

Every Time I feel the Spirit (arr. W. Dawson) Choir

Veni Sancte Spiritus HWB 298

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading Psalm 51: 10-14

O Power of love HWB 593

Meditation Vern Rempel

Idumea (arr. R. Bellja) Choir

I Believe in God (R. Ray, Credo from *Gospel Mass*) Choir

RESPONSE

I Am the Lord (L. Stutzman) Choir

Offertory *Sonata* (G. F. Handel)

Receiving of Offering

For contributions to MSMH, make check payable to FMC with MSMH on the memo line. Cash will be considered a donation to MSMH today. Thanks for your generosity! Checks made payable to a specific church will be given to the respective church.

Pastoral Prayer

SENDING

Here I am, Lord HWB 395

**Guide my feet* HWB 546

**My soul cries out* Purple book 124

*Benediction

*Choral Response