

OCEANS

Verse 1:

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep
My faith will stand

Chorus:

I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Verse 2:

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sovereign hand
Will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now

(chorus)

Verse 3:

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Savior

[x6]

(chorus)

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Next Sunday at First Mennonite

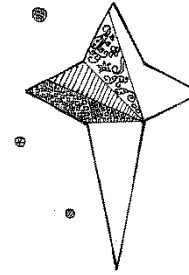
WORSHIP TEAM

Worship Leader – Randy Nelson
Song Leader – Elizabeth Nisly-Nagele
Pianist – Pastor Debra
Children's Story – Jeri Lake
Scripture – Donna Nelson Evans
Sermon, Sharing & Prayer – Pastor Michael
Visuals – TBD
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger

WELCOME TEAM

Greeters – Megan Cox, Sheree Flannigan, Greg Sancken
Worship Nursery – Bob King & Jill Schreiber
Refreshments – Laurel Matthews & Rhonda Gibson
Stewards – Emerson Nafziger & Dannie Otto

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Celebration of Worship

Epiphany

Theme: Welcoming out of Abundance

January 3, 2016

GATHERING

*Passing the Peace

Prelude

Oceans (back of bulletin - congregation join in at vs. 2)

Lighting of solidarity lamp - The lamp symbolizes our Sister Church relationship with El Divino Redentor.

*Song (insert)

“10,000 reasons”

Welcome & prayer

*Call to worship

Leader: When we meet people who are lonely,

People: May we welcome them into the abundant community you have blessed us with.

Leader: When we meet people who are hungry,

People: May we welcome them to your abundant table.

Leader: When we meet people who have been hurt by exclusion,

People: May we welcome them out of the abundant love you have given us.

Leader: When we meet people who are suffering from violence and oppression,

People: May we work to offer them a welcome into the abundance of your deep peace.

Leader: When we think of the wild ones living so close to us,

People: May we work to show them they're still welcome in this world, by leaving some of your natural abundance for them.

ALL: O God, may your abundant welcome extend through us to the world.

PROCLAIMING

*Hymnal #199

“The first Noel, the angel did say”

Lighting of the advent candles

Purple songbook #16 (Words: Christ, Light, Alleluia)

Dedication of Dean Lee Anderson

Congregational response:

Amber and Ryan, you have offered Dean to the strong and tender providence of God. We rejoice with you and give thanks for the gift of your son.

We promise, with humility and seriousness, to share in his nurture and well-being.

We will support, by our example and words, your efforts to provide a loving and caring home, where trust in God grows and Christ's way is chosen.

Our prayers will be with you and for you.

May our shared life and witness help make your task both joyful and fruitful.

Children's story and offering (*please pass the welcome pads*)

Scripture readings

Isaiah 60:1-6 & 19-22 (*page 676*)

Matthew 2:1-12 (*page 879*)

Sermon

Epiphanies of love

RESPONDING

***Green songbook #2**

"Come, walk with us"

Offering (*prayer cards collected*)

Offertory

Largo from C Major Sonata by Bach

Sharing and prayers of the people (*congregational response: Lord, hear our prayer*)

SENDING

Introductions and work of the church (*please come to the front if you have an announcement*)

***Hymnal #401**

"This little light of mine"

***Benediction**

**Stand if you are able*

Thanks *to* our worship *and* welcome teams...

WORSHIP TEAM

Worship Leader – Sheree Flannigan

Music – Worship Band

Advent candle – Anthony Schreiber

Children's Story – Cindy Breeze

Scripture – Greg Sancken

Sermon, Sharing & Prayer – Pastor Debra

Offertory – Chris Otto

Visuals – Ken Moyer & Lynne Sancken

Sound system – Emerson Nafziger

WELCOME TEAM

Greeters – Megan Cox, Mary Krick, Greg Sancken

Worship Nursery – Abby Crosby & Sheryl Nisly-Nagele

Refreshments – Clark Breeze & Rebecca Moyer

Stewards – Emerson Nafziger & Dannie Otto

Welcome, Guests

It is a joy to welcome you into our midst! We pray that God meets you as we worship together this morning and that our church family helps you feel at home. Join us downstairs for refreshments after the service so that we can get to know you better.

Hearing assisted devices are available from the greeters. T-coil enabled and standard over-ear devices are available.

Childcare for children birth through preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.

Our current children's offering benefits the Developmental Services Center, which provides services and support to enable individuals with disabilities to live, work, learn, and participate in their communities.

Join us after the service for...

FELLOWSHIP HOUR – 10:45

You are welcome to stay for refreshments and conversation downstairs after the service. A snack is available for children.

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES – 11:15 AM

All are welcome to attend any Sunday.

Quarterly Adult Classes (*December-February*)

The New Jim Crow – sanctuary

The Art of Spiritual Grandparenting – library

Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (*year-round*)

Coffee and Conversation – Room 5 (downstairs)

Knit and Nurture – Nursery (downstairs)

Young Adults – Room 13 (downstairs)

Children & Youth Classes (*downstairs*)

Pre-K (*ages 2-6 yrs*) – Room 6 **Junior High** – Room 3

Grade K-5 – Room 10/11 **High School** – Room 7

(Nursery care is available for children birth through preschool)

THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at www.fmc-cu.org

SUN 9:15 AM Worship (Epiphany)
10:45 AM Fellowship Time
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages
4:00 PM MYF Epiphany party@Sutters
VINE articles due to Amber Anderson

TUE 5:30 PM Worship Committee

THU 6:45 AM Men's Bible study
5:45 PM Property & Finance Committee

UPCOMING

SUN 9:15 AM Worship
10 10:45 AM Meet & greet with Brian Sauder in library during fellowship time
12:00 PM Pastoral Support Committee (library)
12:00 PM Hospitality & Fellowship Cmte. (rm. 5)
4:00 PM Racial Taboo follow-up

TUE 6:30 PM Taizé service: prayers for peace
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WED 6:30 PM Joint 2015/2016 FMC Council
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THU 6:45 AM Men's Bible study
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FRI 5-7 PM FMC reserved for piano recital
15 MYF winter retreat at Menno Haven (Fri-Sun)

SAT 5:00 PM African American Quilt reception & talk
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