

First Mennonite Church of Richmond

WORSHIP SERVICE

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WELCOME AS GOD'S CHILDREN

Worship Leader Don Oswald
Music Leader Christine Suders
Prelude Christine & Randy Suders
"Lord of the Heavens and the Earth"
"I Worship You, Almighty God"

GATHERING

Call to Worship
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" **HWB** 37
"If you believe and I believe" **STJ** 32
Confession of Sin Beth Merrill Neel
Words of Assurance Bishop Desmond Tutu
"Far, far away from my loving father" **HWB**
Dismissal for Junior Worship (ages 4-7)

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Exodus 1:8-10, 15-17
Sermon "Disobeying Pharaoh" Ryan Ahlgrim
Silent Reflection

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"Be thou my vision" (vs. 1, 2, 5) **HWB** 545
Sharing of Joys and Concerns Ryan Ahlgrim
Pastoral Prayer
Offering
Offertory "Pour out my heart"

SENDING

Sending "Guide my feet" **HWB** 546
Benediction

Leader: Jesus our Lord is alive.

All: Lord, may we experience
the power of your resurrection
And live by it.

**Leader: The call of freedom
Has been sounded.**

All: Lord, may we respond
As the community of the free.

**Leader: It concerns every one of us personally,
In our place, in our humanity,
In this world of ours.**

All: Lord, may the spirit and gift of your freedom
Break the spell of our fears and send us away
Obedient rebels, lovers of life's depths,
And your disciples forever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Leader: Merciful and loving God: when we are ungrateful,

People: remind us of your grace.

Leader: When we are oblivious,

People: open our eyes.

Leader: When we are harsh,

People: gentle our spirit.

Leader: When we are apathetic,

People: show us your suffering children.

Leader: When we demean ourselves,

People: whisper that we are created in your image.

Leader: When we lose all hope,

People: show us the empty tomb.

Leader: So shape us, and turn us around,

People: that we may live with blessing and grace and light.
Amen.

Call to
Worship