

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church and our Thanksgiving Celebration! In the 1st Service, Pastor Milt and choir lead worship and music. We will receive into membership Les and Barb L. Pastor Steve and the worship team lead worship and music in the 2nd Service. Annelies R is being baptized. The Scripture for reading and reflection is 2 Corinthians 9:6-15. Pastor James preaches. We will receive into membership Valerie E K, Tim and Annelies R, and Nate and Grace Y.

Next week, Pastor James preaches. The Scriptures for reading and reflection are Ephesians 1:11-23

If you are a guest with us today, we're so glad you're here! Please complete a Connecting Card and drop it in the offering bag.

CONNECT

TODAY, November 19 we receive new members in both services. Annelies R is being baptized in the 2nd Service. At 10:00 a.m. TODAY Micah Project Interns and Pastor Rhonda, Micah Project Director, share about their time at the CCDA (Christian Community Development Assoc.) Conference in Room 309 (ROCK Room)

Come to the All Church Potluck Thanksgiving Dinner TODAY, November 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Center. Please bring a side dish as NFC will provide the turkey and pie. If you would like to help with set up, serving or clean up, come at 4:00 p.m. or contact Kelly K. There will be a Thanksgiving offering to support NFC ministries.

No Grief Share TODAY due to the all Church Thanksgiving Potluck. Grief Share starts back up on Sunday, November 26 at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. For Sunday, December 3 the Grief Share meeting time is from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. so we may attend the FPU hand bell choir concert.

Nursery, Explore for Children (4 years to 6th grade), Men's and Women's Bible Studies and choir are cancelled for this Wednesday, November 22. They will restart on Wednesday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Floor ROCKey, for all for all EDGE (Junior High), ROCK (High School) students, and former NFC ROCKers, is this Wednesday, November 22. Come to the Family Center at 6:00 p.m. and bring \$3 for food.

The NFC Annual Turkey Trot (2 mile and 5K course to walk/run) is this Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, November 23 and will start at 8:00 a.m. at the church parking lot. If you would like to participate, contact Aaron W. Bring two cans of vegetables or fruit.

The NFC Office will close at 4:30 p.m. tomorrow and Wednesday, November 22 and is closed this Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24.

Join in the Advent Conspiracy with others at NFC as we 1) worship fully, 2) spend less, 3) give more, and 4) love all. **Come, 3rd graders to adults, to the Advent Conspiracy Sunday School class at 10:00 a.m. beginning next Sunday, November 26 in Room 309 (ROCK Room).**

Our W.O.W (Women of Worth) small group event for December is on Sunday, December 3 at 12:45 p.m. We will be hosting a Christmas Tea for the Micah Project interns. Please call Jenny A for details.

Everyone is invited to join the NFC Primetime as they host the Fresno Pacific Bell Choir on Sunday, December 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

As Christmas approaches the art gallery is showing ideas from NFCers about ways to focus on Christ at Christmas.

The Children's Christmas Service is December 10 at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome. 3rd – 6th graders will take part in a 10 minute drama. Practices for the drama are Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. and TODAY at 12:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 3 at 12:30 p.m.

Thank you for all who helped with the NFC Rummage Sale on Saturday, November 11. We raised \$2,800.

Come join the NFC Christmas choir. Rehearsals are Saturday, December 2 and Saturday, December 16 also at 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend A Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 24 at 10:00 a.m. with the Christmas choir and the worship team.

We are currently accepting resumes until December 1 for the role of Associate Pastor of Children and Family Ministries. Job announcement and job description can be found online at www.nortfresnochurch.org or in the Lobby. Send resumes to Jill B, search team chair.

Calendars for SART – Christmas gift idea. BJ F has a 2018 calendar of her photography called *Hawaiian Islands*. These calendars have been underwritten so all the money given for the calendars goes to NFC's Social Action Response Team (SART) ministry. BJ is in the Lobby after each Sunday service during the month of November to accept pre-orders. Cost is \$20.00.

Rejoice! Devotionals are in the Lobby for the quarter starting in December.

Fresno Pacific University Music Department invites everyone to A Festival of Lessons and Carols TODAY 19 at 3:00 p.m. Reserved tickets are needed .

Tagua Fair Trade has opened a pop-up store in Fig Garden (just north of the CVS) with a big selection of hand-made Christmas ornaments and nativities as well as home and garden accents and is open daily. NFC Women are invited to come on Monday, December 4 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. For more information, go to Tagua's website at taguafairtrade.org.

Attendance for November 12, 2017: 306

Offering for General Budget for November 12, 2017: \$15,321

A Place For YOU To Connect!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS SCHEDULE

All classes are in the Education Building.

NURSERY, 8:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m.

Ages 0-35 months

CHILDREN, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

3rd-4th Grade: Room 203

5th-6th Grade: Room 208 A

CHILDREN, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

Ages 3-5 years: Room 103

Kind.-2nd Grade: Room 102

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

10:00-10:50 a.m.

Room 302

ADULTS, 10:00-10:50 a.m.

Book of Jeremiah: Room 207

Sharing by Micah Project Interns: Room 309 (ROCK Room)

THIS WEEK AT NFC: NOVEMBER 19-25

TODAY

All Church Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner, 5:30 p.m.

Monday

Young Men's Basketball, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

NFC Pastors & Staff Meeting, 10:00 a.m.

Worship Team Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

A.A. Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Floor ROCKey for EDGE, ROCK, & Former ROCKERS, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday

Thanksgiving Turkey Trot, 8:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving – Office Closed

Women's A.A. Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Friday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

Men's Prayer Meeting, 6:00 a.m.

Office Closed

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Adrian C; Jennifer D, Emma; Sonia N DF; Wilf and Sandra D; John and Lotti D; Dave and Betty Jo D; Thea D; and Breanne D.**

Pray for healing for those dealing with illness and medical treatments: **Steve E, Jonas H, Carrie K, Jonathan N, Nalynn N, Sandy O, Paul Q, Tammy S, Lizz T, and Richard U.**

NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Jamie and Randy M and family** as **Jamie is Interim Children's Ministries Director.** Pray that God will give her love, wisdom, and energy.

The **pastors and the Congregational Care Team** host a **time of healing prayer** in the Conference Room at 9:45 a.m. next Sunday and on the last Sunday of every month. If you want to join in this prayer time, just come or talk with Pastor James.

COMMUNITY AND WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES

Pray for **other churches** in our neighborhood, **Friends Community Church** (on N. 1st St. just south of Bullard) and **House of the Gospel**, a sister Mennonite Brethren church that meets in the Fresno/Clovis area. Pray that God would bless and use both these churches for effective Kingdom work and to help meet the needs of the community.

Pray for **Greg and Sara A and family, NFC partner missionaries with InterVarsity, as they serve in Eastern Europe.** Pray for them as Greg teaches English and they befriend students.

Prayer requests written on NFC Connecting cards and put in the offering bag are prayed for by the staff each week. If you wish to put a prayer request on the NFC prayer chain, please call Thea D, or the e-prayer chain by emailing the office or post on NFC's Facebook page.

First Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

8:30 A.M.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Everyone is invited to use the Connecting Cards to share your prayer requests, or give other information. **Guests** are also invited to use the Connecting Cards and place them in the offering bag. Thank you.

PRELUDE: "O, *Worship the King*" arr. by Vincent Stephen V

CALL TO WORSHIP: "*When Christians Meet*" Men's Quartet

WELCOME & GREETING Pastor Milt

"*Join All the Glorious Names*" Hymn #111, vs. 1, 3-5

"*Look and Live*" Men's Quartet

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 1:11-23

COMMUNITY LIFE: Advent Conspiracy Video

"*The Solid Rock*" Hymn #404

"*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*" Men's Quartet

PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: "*Arioso*" by Bach

*Children, 3 years through 2nd grade, are invited to Children's Church.**

MESSAGE: "*Thanksgiving: Our Mother Tongue*" Pastor James

"*All Creatures of Our God and King*" Hymn #64, vs. 1, 5

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS Les & Barb L

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "*Now Thank We All Our God*" arr. by Manz

Infants and toddlers through age 35 months are cared for in the nursery on the 1st floor of the Education Building. Pagors are provided to parents in case their child has a need. *Children from 3 years through 2nd grade are invited to Children's Church in Room 101 on the 1st floor of the Education Building.

Second Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

11:00 A.M.

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

"*Everlasting God*"

CALL TO WORSHIP

OFFERING

Psalm 65
"*Praise Awaits You*"

BAPTISM Annelies R

WELCOME & GREETING

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

"*Land of My Father*"

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS Valerie E K,
Tim & Annelies R Nate & Grace Y

"*No Greater Love*"
"*Grace Wins*"

CHILDREN, 3RD – 6TH GRADE, ARE DISMISSED TO THE LOBBY
PRIOR TO THE MESSAGE FOR BLAST.**

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

MESSAGE: "*Thanksgiving: Our Mother Tongue*" Pastor James

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

"*Hear the Call of the Kingdom*"

SENDING

+ *Prayer team members are available after 2nd Service to pray with you at the front left of the Sanctuary.*

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