

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In the 1st Service, Pastor Milt and choir lead worship and music. Pastor Steve and worship team lead worship and music in the 2nd Service. Jessica P and Christa W preach.

Next Sunday Matthew G, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Fresno County, will preach.

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 the three Adult Sunday School Classes begin at 10:00 a.m. and include *The Book of Jeremiah*, facilitated by Donn R in Room 207, *Discovering Christ and the Church (Baptism and Membership Class)* facilitated by Pastor Loren in Room 301, and *Bridges – Befriending Muslims* facilitated by Eric and Krista M in Room 309.

Today, February 18, Eric and Krista Manela will be leading a 6 week Sunday School course at 10:00 a.m. in Room 309 that focuses on engaging our Muslim neighbors using the DVD series "Bridges." The class will help us to understand the historical background of Christian/Muslim relationships. There will be opportunities to discuss, pray for, and practically reach out to the Muslims God puts in our path.

Baptism and Membership: If you are interested in baptism and/or membership at NFC please contact one of the pastors or join the *Discovering Christ and the Church* Sunday School class at 10:00 a.m. in Room 301.

Domino King Tournament is TODAY, February 18 (note date change) at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Center. The cost to register is \$80 for a team of 2 and \$40 for an individual. This tournament is to raise money for NFC youth. Contact Pastor Vanna to register.

Recruitment for Micah Project Year 6 is underway! Application deadline is March 13. Contact Pastor Rhonda, Micah Project Director, or go to themicahproject.wordpress.com for more information.

All EDGE (Junior High) students! Come to EDGE Winter Camp this weekend February 23 – 25. The cost is \$40 and scholarships are available. We'll be leaving NFC at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 23 and returning on Sunday, February 25 at noon. Please contact Pastor Vanna.

The NFC Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, February 19.

Women of Worth (NFC's small group for widows) will next meet on Sunday, March 4 at 12:45 p.m. at Eddie's Bakery (7089 N. Cedar, Fresno) for lunch and a book discussion on *Widow's Might*, chapters 6-9. RSVP to Jenny A.

Sunday, February 11 we had a vote of affirmation to call Connie N to be our Pastor of Children's Ministry. Connie received a 100% vote of affirmation and has accepted the call to come and pastor at NFC. She will begin her ministry on March 4.

Mike K's hours have increased and he is now the Facilities and Communications Director at NFC. You can contact Mike regarding any facility issues at NFC.

NFC is looking to hire someone for bookkeeping and payroll (Quickbooks proficient with some Human Resources/Payroll experience) for about 10-12 hours/week. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them contact Pastor James.

NFC sends out a weekly email called The Connection with information for the church. To subscribe to it, email Mike K.

A letter from the Lisbon Portugal Missions team that is coming to NFC to serve and learn in July is in the Lobby. Pastor Marquez and Celma, his wife, are the team leaders. **The Missions and Outreach Team is sponsoring a Fundraising Luncheon on Sunday, March 11 at 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.** to raise money for the Lisbon Portugal Missions team.

The Reformation and the Twenty-First Century Church Lecture Series is February 27 – March 1 at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary. Robert C. Saler and John D. Roth, will give the lectures. For more information contact Dr. Lynn J at 453-2311 or lynn.jost@fresno.edu.

Vision for Mission Dessert Night is on Sunday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Butler Ave. Mennonite Brethren Church (4884 E. Butler, Fresno). Come hear Randy Friesen, General Director of MB (Mennonite Brethren) Mission. RSVP to fresno@mbmission.org or 456-4600 by March 9.

Monthly Old Fashioned Community Sing is this evening, February 18 at 6:00 p.m. at Palm Village Retirement Community (703 W. Herbert, Reedley).

"The flowers in the Sanctuary are in memory of Bob F's brother, Jim, who passed away recently from pancreatic cancer. Thank you for your cards and prayers." Bob and Elaine F

Coming Events:

Friday – Sunday, March 9-11: ROCK (High School) Winter Camp
Sunday, March 11, 11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.: Lisbon Portugal Missions Team Fundraising Luncheon

Attendance for February 11, 2018: 297

Offering for General Budget for February 11, 2018: \$8,292

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.

5th-6th Grade: Room 208

CHILDREN, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

Ages 3-5 years: Room 103

Kind.-2nd Grade: Room 102

3rd-4th Grade: Room 203

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

10:00-10:50 a.m.

Room 302

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

Book of Jeremiah: Room 207

Discovering Christ & the Church (Baptism & Membership): Room 301

Bridges – Befriending Muslims: Room 309

THIS WEEK AT NFC: FEBRUARY 18-24

Sunday

Domino King Tournament Fundraiser for Youth, 4:00 p.m.

Monday

NFC Office Closed

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

Tuesday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

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

Learning Quest Tutoring Club, 2:15 p.m.

Worship Team Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday

Quilting, 9:00 a.m.

Explore for Children up to 6th grade, EDGE (Jr. High),

ROCK (High School), Men's and Women's Bible Studies, Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

Missions & Outreach Team, 6:30 p.m.

Basketball, 8:00 p.m.

Friday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

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

Friday - Sunday

EDGE (Junior High) Winter Camp

Saturday

Saturday Sports at Robinson Elementary, 9:00 a.m.

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Bethany K; Evelyn K; Jake K; Russ and Carrie K; Richard and Bev K; Aaron K; Andrew and Christa K, Annalena; and Erika K.**

Pray for those who are in retirement or nursing homes and cannot attend Sunday worship services here: **Anne F, Mary Helen H, Addie O, and Moira S.**

NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Connie and Bret N and family** as Connie prepares to start pastoring here at NFC in Children's Ministry on March 4. Pray that God would give her rest, renewal, and strength for the new journey ahead.

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 contact Pastor James.

COMMUNITY AND WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor Hajimu and Kayoko Fujii as they leave for a Southeast Asian missions trip tomorrow, February 19.** Pastor Hajimu is the pastor of Japanese Chapel that meets on our campus. They will be serving in Sri Lanka and India. They will return to Fresno on March 9.

Pray for the families of the victims as they grieve their deaths in the **Parkland, Florida school mass shooting this past week.** Pray also for the youth, teachers and staff of the high school where the shooting happened.

Pray for other churches in our neighborhood, **1st Chinese Baptist Church** (on N. Angus, just north of Bullard Ave.) and **Iglesia Camino Hacia La Luz**, a sister Mennonite Brethren church that meets in Fresno. Pray that God would bless and use both these churches for effective Kingdom work and to help meet the needs of the community.

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 office@northfresnochurch.org or post on NFC's Facebook page.

First Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

8:30 A.M. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018

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: *"Meditation"* by Mendelssohn Larry W
"The Joy of the Lord" arr. by Warkentin

"How Majestic Is Your Name" Hymn #30

"Great Is the Lord" Hymn #31

WELCOME AND GREETING Pastor Milt

"May Jesus Christ Be Praised" Hymn #87, vs. 1, 3, 4, 6

PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: *"Amazing Grace"* Larry W

BIBLE READING: Colossians 1:24-29

"Fairest Lord Jesus" Hymn #88

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

MESSAGE: *"Christ In You, The Hope of Glory"* Matthew G

VIDEO

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *"Crescendo"* by Lasson Larry W

Infants and toddlers through age 35 months are cared for in the nursery on the 1st floor of the Education Building. Pagers 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. SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018

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.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team
"There Is a Kingdom"

CALL TO WORSHIP

OFFERING
"Oh How Good It Is"

WELCOME AND GREETING

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COMMUNITY LIFE

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team
"Because He Lives (Amen)"
"My Lighthouse"
"Let Justice Roll Like a River"

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

Colossians 1:24-29

MESSAGE: *"Christ In You, The Hope of Glory"* Matthew G

MICAH PROJECT VIDEO

SENDING

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

Infants and toddlers through age 35 months are cared for in the nursery on the 1st floor of the Education Building. Pagers are provided to parents in case their child has a need. *Children from 3 years through 2nd grade accompanied by a parent or a guardian are invited to Children's Church on the 1st floor of the Education Building. **Children, 3rd – 6th grade, are dismissed to the Lobby prior to the message for BLAST which meets in Room 208 in the Education Building.