

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In 1st Service, Pastor Milt leads worship and music. Jamie M and team lead worship and music in 2nd Service. Pastor James preaches. The Bible passages for reading and reflection are Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, and Luke 13:1-9.

Next Sunday, Pastor James will preach. The Bible passages for reading and reflection are Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14, and John 12:1-8. We will pray for the youth as they go to Mennonite Brethren YouthCon 2019.

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 two Adult Learning Hour classes at 10:00 a.m. are 1) The Book of Matthew with Donn R teaching in Room 207, and **2) Studying the book Reunion** with Randy M facilitating in Room 309.

All ROCK (High School) and EDGE (Junior High) students will be attending Beating Guns Book Tour with authors Shane Claiborne and Mike Martin speaking which is hosted by MCC's Gun Violence Prevention Network. Meet at 6:00 p.m. and be picked up 8:00 p.m. at Butler Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church (4884 E. Butler, Fresno).

Wednesday evening programs for March 27 at 6:30 p.m. For Children: Rotate for Children (check in with Pastor Connie in the courtyard). **For Adults:** Women's Bible Study (Room 207) and Men's Bible Study (Conference Room). **For Singers:** Choir (Choir Room).

Save the date for our upcoming Created for Connection couples workshop on April 26 - 27. Workshop is limited to 10 couples. Cost is \$150. Contact Jamie M for more information and to register.

Coming Events:

Friday – Saturday, April 12 & 13: West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale at Fresno Pacific University

Saturday, April 20, 9:00 a.m.: Easter Eggstravaganza with Pancakes at Robinson Park

Easter Sunday, April 21, 6:15 a.m.: Easter Sunrise Service at John and Karen W's home (5667 Amber, Clovis)

Easter Sunday, April 21, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.: Celebration Worship Services with baptisms

Monday, April 22: Service Project at The Terraces at San Joaquin Gardens

SERVE

Thank you to Marly I for cooking for our Fellowship Dinner last Wednesday. Thank you to all who helped cook, set up, serve, and clean up.

Easter Eggstravaganza is on Saturday, April 20 at Robinson Park starting at 9:00 a.m. A pancake breakfast will be served and other family friendly activities are planned! We're gathering supplies, assembling egg-stroinary people and stuffing an egg-normous number of eggs! If you would like to donate candy (no chocolate, please) or volunteer your time to serve, please contact Pastor Connie.

FACE (Fresno Area Community Enterprises) annual banquet is Thursday, May 2. For tickets, check the Lobby after the service, or contact the FACE office (559-431-0333 or office@facefresno.org).

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

Thrift on Blackstone (a thrift shop on Blackstone Ave. just south of Herndon Ave.) is looking for volunteers. Thrift on Blackstone is a partnership with West Coast Mennonite Central Committee and Fresno Area Community Enterprises (FACE). To get involved, contact Ilone K, store manager (559-672-0977 or thriftonblackstone@gmail.com).

"Thank you for all that served at Jim R's memorial service. Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, flowers, food, cards, and for the love shown to our family during Jim's illness and death." Mary R and the R family

West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale is Friday and Saturday, April 12 and 13 at Fresno Pacific University (1717 S. Chestnut, Fresno). Come enjoy a community celebration with food, quilts, and an auction to support relief, development, and peace work of the Mennonite Central Committee. For more information, call 638-6911 or visit Facebook at "wcmrsale."

West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus concerts 2019 dates include Saturday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. at Riverpark Bible Church, Fresno, and Sunday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. at Reedley Mennonite Brethren Church, Reedley.

Attendance for March 17, 2019: 285

Offering for General Budget for March 17, 2019: \$5,233

A Place For YOU To Connect!

LEARNING HOUR 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-6th Grade: Room 208

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

Ages 3-5: Room 103
K-2nd Grade: Room 102

YOUTH, 10:00-10:50 A.M.

Junior High & High School
Room 301

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

Sharing by Otto & Marjorie Ekk: Room 207

Study of the book *Reunion*: Room 309

THIS WEEK AT NFC: MARCH 24 - 30

Monday

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

Tuesday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.
NFC Pastor & Staff Meeting, 10:00 a.m.
FACE Learning Quest Tutoring, 2:15 p.m.
FACE Young Men's Basketball, 6:30 p.m.
AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Quilting, 9:00 a.m.
ROCK & EDGE at Butler Ave. Church, 6:00 p.m.
Rotate, EDGE, ROCK.
Men's & Women's Bible Studies, Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

FACE Learning Quest Tutoring, 2:15 p.m.
Missions & Outreach Team, FACE Young Men's Basketball, 6:30 p.m.

Friday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.
Men's Prayer Meeting, 6:00 a.m.

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Emily V; Karen V; Lue and Mary V; Bob and Barbara W; John and Karen W; Duncan W;** and **Kirk and Jennifer W, Mac, Owen and Fiona.**

Pray for **Sara K** who is in **San Joaquin Rehab** with **blood clots** in her lungs.

Pray for the family of **Nick S. Nick S, who was a member of NFC,** died Saturday, March 16. His memorial service will be on Friday, April 5 at 2:00 p.m. at Palm Village in Reedley.

Pray for those who are homebound and cannot attend Sunday worship services: **Ethel R** and **Garth S.**

NFC, COMMUNITY, AND WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES

Pray for **Jamie and Randy M and family** as Jamie gives leadership at NFC the areas of worship and music, and adult discipleship. Pray that God will give her wisdom, love, and energy.

The **Congregational Care Team** hosts 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.

Pray for another church in our neighborhood, **Hope Lutheran Church** (at N. Fresno St. and Barstow) and **Iglesia Jesus Es el Senor**, a sister Mennonite Brethren church. Pray that God would bless and use both these churches for effective Kingdom work and meet the needs of the community.

Pray for **PK, our partner missionary with Multiply (formerly MB {Mennonite Brethren} Mission) in Southeast Asia** as he grieves the sudden death of his wife **C in a traffic accident.** Pray for PK and C's children and the church in Southeast Asia. There will be memorial services there and also here in Fresno on April 4 at 6:30 p.m. at Butler Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church.

Pray for the people in the countries of **Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Malawi** as they recover from flooding and **Cyclone Idai.** Pray for those whose family members died in this major flooding.

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 e-prayer chain, email the office or post on NFC's Facebook page.