

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! In 1st Service, Pastor Milt and choir lead worship and music. Jamie M and team lead worship and music in 2nd Service. Genevieve O and Kyle Y are being baptized. Pastor James preaches.

Next week, Pastor Connie preaches. The Bible passages for reading and reflection are Psalm 118:14-29, John 20:19-31, and Acts 5:27-32.

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

Wednesday evening programs resume this Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. For Children: Rotate (See Pastor Connie in the courtyard) **For Junior High and Senior High Students:** EDGE (Room 301) and ROCK (Room 309). **For Adults:** Women's Bible Study (Room 207) and Men's Bible Study (Conference Room). **For Singers:** Choir (Choir Room).

Our NFC teens who recently went to YouthCon 2019 (National Mennonite Brethren Youth Conference) in Glorieta, New Mexico, will be sharing about their experiences during the Learning Hour on Sunday, April 28 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 309 (ROCK Room).

The Japanese Chapel that meets at NFC is celebrating 25 years in 2019. They will have their celebration next Sunday, April 28, at 2:30 pm in the NFC Sanctuary. All are welcome to join this worship service and concert followed by refreshments.

Coming Events:

Tomorrow, Monday, April 22, 8:00 a.m.: Service Project at The Terraces at San Joaquin Gardens

This Friday, April 26, 6:00 p.m. : Primetime Dinner and Gospel Trio *Reliance* in the Family Center

Thursday, May 2, 6:00 p.m.: FACE Fundraiser and Banquet

SERVE

Thank you to all who served the neighborhood at the NFC Easter Pancake Breakfast and Eggstravaganza yesterday morning at Robinson Park.

Thank you to all who gave and volunteered at the West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale, April 12 and 13. \$185,000 was raised for Mennonite Central Committee for international development. Thank you to the NFC quilters that with their donations of quilts, comforters, and afghans raised \$24,000.

Join us for our 50th Anniversary kickoff service project at The Terraces at San Joaquin Gardens tomorrow, April 22, from 8:00 to 10:30 a.m. We will spend the morning interacting with residents as we plant spring flowers. Contact Pastor Rhonda to sign up to volunteer.

Save the Date: 50th Anniversary Service Project at Bethany Mennonite Brethren Church will be Saturday, June 15. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks. Questions? Contact Lori or Dave K.

If you know someone formerly connected to NFC that we could invite to our 50th Anniversary Banquet in November please fill out their name and current contact information on a sheet in the Lobby or contact Aaron W, committee chair.

NFC has a collection box in the Lobby cabinet for Box Tops for Education that are on retail products. If you don't already collect Box Tops for Education for a school, you can give them to **NFC to help Robinson Elementary with their efforts.** For more information, contact Marcy B.

Save the Date: Make plans now to attend **the national gathering for empty nesters, boomers, and builders! Celebrate 2019 Living With Purpose will be held September 27-29 at the Embassy Suites Old Market in Omaha, NE.** Call (800) 551-1547 or go to www.mbfoundation.com/celebrate2019 for more information.

1st Quarter 2019 NFC Financial Update:

Income: Actual \$205,238; Budget \$202,750

Expenses: Actual \$180,984; Budget \$202,750

Positive Cash Flow: \$24,255

Attendance for April 14, 2019: 295

Offering for General Budget for April 14, 2019: \$6,640

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.

The Book of Matthew: Room 207

THIS WEEK AT NFC: APRIL 21 – 27

Monday

Planting flowers at The Terraces at San Joaquin Gardens, 8:00 a.m.

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 Club, 2:15 p.m.

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

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

Wednesday

Quilting, 9:00 a.m.

Rotate, ROCK and EDGE,

Men's and Women's Bible Studies, Choir, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

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

NFC Leadership Board, Missions and Outreach Team;

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

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

Friday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

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

Dinner and Gospel Trio Reliance sponsored by Primetime, 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **James A; Yemi A; Tayo A; Leonard and Bonnie B; Bill and Joan B; Jared and Emily B, Annie; William B; and Dwight and Lorlyn B.**

Pray for healing for those dealing with illness and medical treatments: **Sara K, Jonathan N, Nalynn N, Sandy O, Tammy S, Richard U, and Kyle Y.**

NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor James and Marcy B and family** as James gives leadership at NFC. Pray that God will give him 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 or contact Pastor James.

COMMUNITY AND WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES

Pray for another church in our neighborhood, **Friends Community Church** (on N. 1st St., just south of Bullard) and **Mountain View Community Church**, 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 our NFC partner missionaries: **PK** in Southeast Asia; **Bob Din** in the US and Thailand; **Doris G** in Japan; **Otto and Marjorie E** in Portugal; **John and Geri E** with worldwide media; and **Eric and Krista M and family** learning French in Canada, during this Easter season as they share the good news of Jesus.

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.

First Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

8:30 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019

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.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Hymn #215

WELCOME & GREETING

"Come People of the Risen King" Choir Anthem

BIBLE READING: Acts 10:34-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 118

"Christ Is Risen! Christ Is Alive!" Choir Anthem

PRAYER

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"*

TESTIMONY: Beth Hunt

"Because He Lives" Hymn #213

BIBLE READINGS: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 & Luke 24:1-12

"He Lives" Hymn #220

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

MESSAGE: *"Great Expectations"* Pastor James

"Thine Is the Glory" Hymn #227

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Pastor Milt: Worship Leader

Larry W: Piano

Evelyn K: Organ

Brad S: Trumpet

Donn & Hallie R: Bible Readers

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 102 on the 1st floor of the Education Building.

Second Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC

"The Lion and the Lamb"
Acts 10:34-43

Worship Team

OFFERING

"This Is Amazing Grace"

BAPTISMS

Genevieve O, Kyle Y

WELCOME & GREETING

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
"Marvelous Light"
"How Marvelous"

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

TESTIMONY: Beth Hunt

"Because He Lives (Amen)"
"Resurrecting"
Luke 24:1-12

MESSAGE: *"Great Expectations"*

Pastor James

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

"Living Hope"

Worship Team

RECEIVING MEMBERS

Greg A, Tim and Gertrud G, Beth H,
Genevieve O, Bruce and Janice P, Kevin R, Kyle Y

SENDING

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 3rd grade, accompanied by a parent or a guardian, are invited to Children's Church on the 1st floor of the Education Building. Children in 4th grade and up are invited to stay for the whole service.