

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In the 1st Service, Pastor Milt and choir lead worship and music. Pastor Steve and the worship team lead worship and music in the 2nd Service. Pastor James preaches on "The Church Renewed."

Next week, we celebrate Thanksgiving. Pastor James preaches. We will receive new members which are Valerie E K, Les and Barb L, Tim and Annelies R, and Nate and Grace Yoder. Annelies Rowell will be baptized in the 2nd Service.

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

Next Sunday, November 19 we celebrate Thanksgiving and we receive new members in both services. Annelies R will be baptized in the 2nd Service. During the Sunday School hour Micah Project Interns and Pastor Rhonda, Micah Project Director, will share about their time at the National CCDA (Christian Community Development Association) Conference in Room 309 (ROCK Room) at 10:00 a.m.

Come to the NFC All Church Potluck Thanksgiving Dinner next Sunday, 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, contact Kelly K. There will be a Thanksgiving offering to support NFC ministries.

Girls Night Out for 5th to 8th grade girls is this Friday, November 17. Please meet at the NFC at 6:00 p.m. to go watch *Wonderstruck*. We will return to the NFC parking lot around 10:00 p.m. The cost is \$10. For more information, please contact Jamie M, Interim Children's Ministries Director.

EDGE (7th and 8th grade) boys are invited to a Lock-in this Friday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m. until Saturday, November 18 at 7:00 a.m. Bring \$5. If you have questions contact Pastor Vanna.

The NFC Annual Turkey Trot (2 mile and 5K course to walk/run) is 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.

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

Coming Events:

Today, November 12, 5:30 p.m.: Grief Share (You can join any time.)

Sunday, November 19, 10:00 a.m.: Micah Project Interns Sharing about CCDA Conference in Room 309 during the Sunday School Hour

Sunday, November 19, 5:30 p.m.: All Church Potluck Thanksgiving Dinner

SERVE

Thank you for all who helped with the NFC Rummage Sale yesterday: sorting, bringing items, selling, buying, and cleaning up.

Robinson Elementary will be hosting a cross country meet this Thursday, November 16. Volunteers are needed from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. to help with the race and with clean-up. If you are interested in volunteering or want more information contact Christian F, FACE intern.

Come join the NFC Christmas choir. Rehearsals are this Saturday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m. in the Choir Room. Other rehearsals include Saturday, December 2 and Saturday, December 16 also at 10:00 a.m. A *Festival of Lessons and Carols* is on Sunday, December 24 at 10:00 a.m. with the Christmas choir and the worship team.

We are currently accepting resumes 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.

Fresno Pacific University Music Department invites everyone to *A Festival of Lessons and Carols* on Sunday, November 19 at 3:00 p.m. at the 1st Presbyterian Church (1540 M. Street, Fresno). For tickets contact FPU Music Office at 453-2267 or email music@fresno.edu.

All are invited to come to support **Central Valley Justice Coalition Fundraiser *Coffee and Chocolate* at Cornerstone Coffee (1463 Fulton St.; Fresno) this Tuesday, November 14 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.**

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. For more information, go to Tagua's website at taguafairtrade.org.

Congratulations to Ron and Carol J who were married 49 years ago. The flowers in the Sanctuary celebrate their wedding anniversary.

Attendance for November 5, 2017: 303

Offering for General Budget for November 5, 2017: \$15,096

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

The Gospel of Life: Room 309 (ROCK Room)

Discovering Christ & the Church: Room 301

THIS WEEK AT NFC: NOVEMBER 12-18

TODAY

Grief Share, 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.

Learning Quest Tutoring Club (sponsored by FACE), 2:15 p.m.

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

Wednesday

Quilting, 9:00 a.m.

Explore for Children (ages 4 to 6th grade), EDGE, ROCK

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

Thursday

Learning Quest Tutoring Club (sponsored by FACE), 2:15 p.m.

NFC Leadership Board, 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.

Saturday

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

NFC Christmas Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 a.m.

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Zach C; James and Irma C; Carol C; Mary Jeanette C; Jessica C; Adrian C; and Jabbari C and Sharmaine W-C, Jaelyn and Josiah .**

Pray for **Jonas H** who is suffering from congestive heart failure and has trouble breathing sometimes.

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

NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor Vanna and Marly and family** as he leads North Fresno Church in the area of youth.

The **pastors and the Congregational Care Team** host a time of healing prayer in the Conference Room at 9:45 a.m. 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, **New Heights Church** (at the corner of N. Fresno and Sierra) and **College Community Church – Mennonite Brethren**, 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 **John and Geri E, our partner missionaries with MB (Mennonite Brethren) Mission.** He trains, assists, disciples Global Media Network members in the use of media for telling others about what God is doing in their region.

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 church office or post on NFC's Facebook page.

First Service

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

8:30 A.M.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 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 Evelyn K

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP: *"A Joyful, Jubilant Song"*

"Now Thank We All Our God" Hymn #556

WELCOME & GREETING Pastor Milt

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Hymn #276

"Abide With Me" Choir

PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Vanna

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"* Larry W

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 3:19-28
John 8:31-36

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Hymn #410

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

MESSAGE: *"The Church Renewed"* Pastor James

"I Know Whom I Have Believed" Hymn #409, vs. 1, 2

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Evelyn K

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, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC *"Forever"* Worship Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

OFFERING *"How Marvelous"*
"Doxology"

WELCOME & GREETING

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PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Vanna

COMMUNITY LIFE Stewardship Committee

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
Romans 3:19-28
"Mighty to Save"
"Grace Wins"
John 8:31-36
"No Longer Slaves to Fear"

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

MESSAGE: *"The Church Renewed"* Pastor James

WORSHIP AND MUSIC *"Amen"* Worship Team

SENDING

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

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