

Announcements

WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In the 1st Service, Pastor Milt leads worship and music. We welcome guest musicians, Dieter W and Susan D. Pastor Steve and the worship team lead worship and music in the 2nd Service. We welcome Jon W, President and CEO of MB (Mennonite Brethren) Foundation, who is preaching.

Next week, P K, our partner missionary in Southeast Asia, is preaching and sharing about work in Southeast Asia.

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

THIS MORNING, Sunday, October 29 Jon W, President and CEO of MB (Mennonite Brethren) Foundation, is speaking in Room 207 at 10:00 a.m.

The NFC Community Carnival is this Tuesday, October 31 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please sign up to volunteer running a game, helping with food, set-up, tear down, donations, and more. Sign up in the Lobby or email Kelly K. Please pray for a wonderful event that will bless our neighbors and community. **Please give out the invitation that is in the bulletin to friends, family, and neighbors.**

W.O.W. (Women of Worth, NFC's Widows Small Group) will meet at Jenny A's home (1275 E. Mesa, Fresno) for lunch next Sunday, November 5 at 12:45 p.m. Please RSVP to Jenny.

All those grieving the loss of a loved one are invited to The Bridge Church (3438 E. Ashlan, Fresno) next Sunday, November 5 for a free Grief Share workshop on "Surviving the Holidays" from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. There will be programs for adults and children. No Grief Share at NFC on Sunday, November 5. Any questions, please call Jenny A.

NFC's Rummage Sale is Saturday, November 11 at 7:00 a.m. Start saving up your donations that are in **good, clean, newer working condition.** Bring items for the sale starting only on Monday, November 6. To help set up, come on Friday, November 10 at 9:00 a.m. See insert for more information.

The Micah Project interns and Micah Project Director and Pastor Rhonda will share about the CCDA (Christian Community Development Association) National Conference during Sunday School time at 10:00 a.m. on November 19. Everyone is invited.

Next Sunday, November 5, Pacific Daylight Saving Time ends. Remember to turn your clocks back an hour when you go to sleep on Saturday night, November 4.

NFC staff sends out a weekly email with information for the church family. To subscribe to it, email Russ at rlee@northfresnochurch.org.

SERVE

The results for the vote this last Sunday, October 22 regarding North Fresno Mennonite Brethren Church **Bylaws passed with 62 yes votes** and 1 no vote. The results for the vote regarding North Fresno Mennonite Brethren Church **Articles of Incorporation passed with 65 yes votes** and 1 no vote. Both motions passed. Thank you to everyone involved in this process and to everyone who voted.

3 on 3 Half Court Basketball Fundraiser for FACE's (Fresno Area Community Enterprise) Learning Quest Tutoring Club is this Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Get a team (with 4 players) together and \$60 is the fee for each team. Register online at <https://www.facebook.com/events/882471421917315/>. If you have questions, please contact Christian F. More information is in the Lobby,

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 will be in the Lobby after each service during the month of November to accept pre-orders. Each calendar costs \$20.00.

While wildfires blaze across our state now, Mennonite Disaster Service is rebuilding homes destroyed by 2015 wildfires. Volunteers are urgently needed in Northern California. To volunteer for a week of service in October, November or December, go to mds.mennonite.net, Darrin B at dbontrage@mds.mennonite.net or (800) 241-811.

Come to the Quilting Blitz at Mennonite Quilt Center (1012 G St. Reedley; 638-3560) this Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 4 at 9:00 a.m. Come sew, cut, piece or tie and help MCC (Mennonite Central Committee). Come with your 'tools of the trade' and your lunch. Donations of cotton quilting fabric, batting and thread also accepted.

Generosity is a four-week devotional by acclaimed Christian author Gordon MacDonald. The free booklets are **available in the Lobby. Discover how generosity is an integral part of our Christian DNA.**

Financial Update: Please consider how you can give financially to Kingdom ministry here at North Fresno Church As of September 30th, our year to date budgeted giving should be at \$555,000. As of September 30th, the year to date actual giving is at \$483,000. In order to reach our budgeted annual giving goal, we will need \$86,000 each month from October through December.

Attendance for October 22, 2017: 329
Offering for General Budget for October 22, 2017: \$9,011

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.

Sharing by **Jon W, CEO of MB Foundation:** Room 207

The Gospel of Life: Room 309 (ROCK Room)

Discovering Christ & the Church: Room 301

(Membership & Baptism Class)

THIS WEEK AT NFC: OCTOBER 29 – NOVEMBER 4

TODAY

Community Carnival Set Up, 12:30 p.m.

Grief Share, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday

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

Community Carnival, 5:30 p.m.

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

Wednesday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

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.

A.A. Women's 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.

FACE's 3-on-3 Basketball Fundraising Tournament, 10:00 a.m.

Prayer Connection

NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Chuck and Carla B; Steve and Anne B, Luke and Dylan, Max and Karen B; Jason and Jill B, Ruby and Amelia; Frank and Diana B; and Jeff and Linda B.**

Congratulations to Lydia G on the birth of her son, Elliot Graham G who was born on Monday, October 16. His height was **18 ¼ inches** and his weight was **6 lbs. 1 oz.** Jennifer D is the proud grandmother and Emma is happy to have a baby nephew. **The rose bud** on the organ is in **Elliot's** honor.

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

NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor James and Marcy and family** as he gives leadership at NFC. Pray that God will give him wisdom, love, and energy.

The pastors and the Congregational Care Team host a time of healing prayer in the Conference Room at 9:45 a.m. TODAY 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, **Hope Lutheran Church**, (at the corner of Barstow and N. Fresno St.) and **Butler Avenue Mennonite Brethren Church**, 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 **Otto and Marjorie E, our NFC partner missionaries with MB (Mennonite Brethren) Missions in Lisbon, Portugal.** Pray for the national leaders of the six ministry locations who are mentored by Otto and Marjorie. Pray for the Market Place Ministry that is led by Hendrik.

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, 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, OCTOBER 29, 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: Allegro from *"Sonata in F major, op. 1, no. 11"* by Handel
Dieter W and Susan D

CALL TO WORSHIP: *"It Is Good to Sing Thy Praises"* Hymn #584

WELCOME & GREETING Pastor Milt

"More about Jesus" Hymn #389, vs. 1, 2, 4

STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor James

OFFERING: *"Bist Du Bei Mir"* by Bach Dieter W & Susan D
from Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 6:19-24

"Take My Life and Let It Be" Hymn #379, vs. 1, 4, 6

"My Heart Ever Faithful" by Bach Dieter W and Susan D
from Cantata No. 68

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

MESSAGE: *"The Farsighted Manager"* Jon W

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Hymn #462, vs. 1, 2, 4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *"Rigaudon"* by Handel Dieter W and Susan D
from Water Music Suite

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.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Eternal One"
"Build Your Kingdom Here"

OFFERING

"Grace Wins"

WELCOME & GREETING

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PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor James

STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

"How Marvelous"
"Hallelujah"
"Doxology"

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

Matthew 6:19-24

MESSAGE: *"The Farsighted Manager"* Jon W

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team

"No Greater Love"

SENDING

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

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