

# Announcements

## WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In the 1<sup>st</sup> Service, Pastor Milt leads worship and music. Pastor Steve and worship team lead worship and music in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Service. Matthew Grundy, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity Fresno County, preaches.

Next Sunday Dan and Melody K share their story. We will celebrate communion in both services.

*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 are 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.

**Next Sunday, March 4** (and on the first Sunday of every month) **Sharing on Reconciliation Adult Sunday School class meets in Room 208 C at 10:00 a.m.** For more information, contact Grant J-W or Susan G.

**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](http://themicahproject.wordpress.com) for more information.

**Women of Worth (NFC's small group for widows) will 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.

**ROCK (High School) students – Come to ROCK Winter Camp on March 9 - 11.** Please contact Pastor Vanna for more information (916-7642).

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

**Rejoice! Devotionals** are in the Lobby for the quarter starting in March. The cost is \$5.75. The box for donations is above the devotionals.

**Parking Lot Reminder – As you arrive at NFC anytime please respect the parking stalls reserved for handicapped parking.** If you do not have a handicap placard on your vehicle, do not park or idle in a handicap parking stall.

## 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

## SERVE

**Fresno Pacific University students now have an exhibit showing in the Lobby art gallery.**

**Interested in serving or joining a ministry team at NFC?** We need people to serve in a number of our ministry areas. Contact one of our pastors for more information.

**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.

**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.

Come gather with others to make **verenika on Saturday, March 17 (note date change) for sale at the West Coast Mennonite Sale.** Come at 8:00 a.m. at Reedley Mennonite Brethren Church (1362 L St.).

**College students: If your family uses Everence faith-based services,** you are eligible to apply for college scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year. Submit your application by Feb. 28. Go to <https://www.everence.com/living-the-values/grants-and-scholarships-and-awards> or contact Jim W, our NFC Everence representative, for more information.

**The Reformation and the Twenty-First Century Church Lecture Series is this February 27 – March 1 at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary.** Robert C. S and John D. R will give the lectures. See insert for more information.

**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 MB Mission by March 9.

**“Thank you, NFC, for the food, texts, prayers, and visits after my knee replacement surgery that was on Thursday, February 15.” Grace W**

**Attendance for February 18, 2018: 288**

**Offering for General Budget for February 18, 2018: \$13,299**

# 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.

5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Room 208

### CHILDREN, 10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

Ages 3-5 years: Room 103

Kind.-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Room 102

3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> 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 25 – MARCH 3

### Sunday

Healing Prayer, 9:45 a.m.

### Monday

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 6<sup>th</sup> grade, EDGE (Jr. High),

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

### Thursday

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

Basketball, 8:00 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.

# Prayer Connection

## NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Gerald and Sara K; Dan and Melody K; Kelly K; Michael and Judy K, Daniel and Melody; Les and Barb L; and Adam and Jill L, Micah and Lucy.**

Pray for **Robin and Doug O** as they grieve the death of Robin's father, **Bill Thompson**. He passed away Monday, February 19.

Pray for **Tim R, son of Jim and Mary R**, as he continues to recover from complications after surgery on his knee and leg.

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

## NFC MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor Milt and Bendta** as he gives leadership at NFC in the areas of worship and music, and the choir and as he directs the West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus. Pray that God will give him wisdom, love and energy.

Pray for the **EDGE (Junior High) students, volunteer leaders and Pastor Vanna** as they come back from EDGE winter camp at Noon today.

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.

## COMMUNITY AND WORLDWIDE MINISTRIES

Pray for other churches in our neighborhood, **Church of the Living Water** (on Bullard Ave., between N. Fresno and N.1<sup>st</sup> Streets) and **College Community Church – Mennonite Brethren**, 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.

Pray for **Greg and Sara A** and family who are our NFC partner missionaries with **InterVarsity in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina**. Pray for them as they befriend students and neighbors.

*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 office 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Education Building. Pagers are provided to parents in case their child has a need. \*Children from 3 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to Children's Church in Room 101 on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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

*Children, 3 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, are invited to Children's Church.\**

COMMUNITY LIFE

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

CHILDREN, 3<sup>RD</sup> – 6<sup>TH</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Education Building. Pagers are provided to parents in case their child has a need. \*Children from 3 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade accompanied by a parent or a guardian are invited to Children's Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Education Building. \*\*Children, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade, are dismissed to the Lobby prior to the message for BLAST which meets in Room 208 in the Education Building.

