

# Announcements

## WORSHIP

Welcome to North Fresno Church! In the 1<sup>st</sup> Service, Pastor Milt and choir lead worship and music. Jamie M and worship team lead worship and music in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Service. Pastor Connie preaches. The Bible passages for reading and reflection are 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33, Psalm 130, Ephesians 4:25-5:2, and John 6:35, 41-51. The new 2018-2019 Micah Project Interns are introduced in both services.

Next week, Pastor James and Karina R will preach. The Bible passages for reading and reflection are 1 Kings 8:1, 6,10-11, 22-30, 41-43, Psalm 84, Ephesians 6:10-20, and John 6:56-69.

*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

**Our Summer Sunday School Class: "NFC on Mission: Locally and Globally" is at 10:00 a.m. for everyone from 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade through Adults in Room 309. TODAY,** Chuck and Carla B, Carol J, and Judy W share about Good News Club, a part of Child Evangelism Fellowship, at Robinson Elementary.

**Men, how do we become one with God as Jesus was? All men are invited** to pray, study John 17, and search for clues to this answer. We will meet together **THIS EVENING, August 12 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 309 (ROCK Room)** to promote unity of God's purpose among us, share discoveries from John 17, and to pray. Contact Pastor Loren or Grant J-W for more information.

**NFC Men, come to the Men's Breakfast at Jeb's Blueberry Hill Restaurant** (3851 N. Blackstone, Fresno) this Thursday, August 16 at 6:30 a.m.

**All Women are invited to a get together at Nancy G's home on Thursday, August 23 at 6:00 p.m.** The new fall Wednesday evening Bible study curriculum will be introduced. For more information, call Nancy.

**Men, sign up for NFC Man Camp at Camp Keola which takes place from August 24 – 26.** Pick up a registration form on a table in the Lobby. Contact Pastor Loren or Dwight B for more information.

**BLAST (a Bible learning time for 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders during the 2<sup>nd</sup> service message) is cancelled today.** It will restart next Sunday, August 19.

### Coming Event:

**Wednesday, August 22, 6:30 p.m.:** NFC Ministry Team Equipping Evening

**Wednesday, September 5, 6:30 p.m.:** Wednesday Evening Programs start for children 4 years old to adults

**Sunday, September 9, 10:00 a.m.:** Fall Kickoff Combined Service and Luncheon

**Friday, September 28, 7:00 p.m.:** Primetime with Fruit Carver Chef Ray Duey

## SERVE

**A big thank you to Mark W and Dwight B** who helped with coordinating and putting together the new projector screen in the Sanctuary.

**Everyone who serves is invited to an NFC Ministry Team Equipping Evening and Dessert on Wednesday, August 22 in the Family Center at 6:30 p.m.** Childcare is available for children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and under. Please RSVP to Pastor Connie if you need childcare. See bulletin insert for more information.

**It's time to start buying supplies for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) school kits.** The list of items to buy is at <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/school> or on the table in the Lobby. Please read carefully as some items have changed from the previous year. If you like to sew, MCC is in need of people to sew the school kit bags. Go to <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/bag> to find specific instructions on how to make a school kit bag. Bring items by Sunday, September 2.

**FPU Church Match Scholarship Applications are now being accepted for Fall 2018/Spring 2019 School year.** If you are a member or a regular attender (for at least a year) of NFC and are taking courses at Fresno Pacific University or at Fresno Pacific Biblical Seminary you may qualify for the NFC Church Match Scholarship. Contact Jim W for more information and to request an application. An application is also available on a table in the Lobby. **Scholarship applications must be completed and received TODAY, AUGUST 12.**

**Urbana Missions Conference in St. Louis, Missouri (December 27-31, 2018) is an eye-opening global missions conference, a sacred space for college and graduate students, faculty, and church leaders to hear God's call** (see [www.urbana.org](http://www.urbana.org) for more information). If you would like to apply for an Urbana scholarship from NFC, please write an email to the NFC Missions and Outreach Team by August 28. Please email Annelies R.

**The flowers** on the communion table are placed there by **Richard and Pat U** in celebration of their **50th wedding anniversary** this month.

**Rejoice! Devotionals** are in the Lobby for the quarter starting in September. The cost is \$6. The donation box is above the devotionals.

**Attendance for August 5, 2018: 272**

**Offering for General Budget for August 5, 2018: \$14,236**

# 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.**

Ages 3-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Room 103  
3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Room 309

**JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

**10:00 -10:50 a.m.**

Room 309 (ROCK Room)

**3<sup>RD</sup> GRADERS TO ADULTS, 10:00-10:50 a.m.**

**Summer Sunday School: NFC on Mission: Room 309 (ROCK Room)**

## THIS WEEK AT NFC: AUGUST 12 – 18

### Tuesday

Bread & Basketball, 5:30 a.m.

NFC Pastor & Staff Meeting, 10:00 a.m.

Children's Advisory Team, 6:00 p.m.

Stewardship Committee, Worship Team Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

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

### Wednesday

Men's Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday

Men's Breakfast, 6:30 a.m.

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.

### Friday – Sunday

Micah Project Retreat

# Prayer Connection

## NFC FAMILY

Pray for the following people: **Zach C; Colleen C; Allen and Kristin C, Jackson, Nia and Annelies; Deborah C; Alex C; James and Irma C; Jim and Carol C; and Mary Jeanette C.**

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

## NFC AND COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Pray for **Pastor Vanna and Marly and family** as Vanna gives leadership at NFC in the area of youth and families. Pray for Pastor Vanna as he checks in with Immigration, Customs and Enforcement this Wednesday, August 15. Pray that God will give him wisdom, love, and energy.

Pray for the **teachers, students, and staff as they start teaching and studying this new school year.** Pray that they may be the light of God where they are.

Pray for the new **2018-2019 Micah Project Interns: Maddie C, Jessica I, Celeste L, Marisa M, Caitlin T, and Karen V** as they start this new year of learning and service. Pray for Pastor Rhonda, Micah Project Director, and Kevin D as they lead the Micah Project Interns on a retreat this Friday through next Sunday.

Pray for the **search team** as they lead us in a discernment process for our next Associate Pastor of Music and Worship for our contemporary service. Search Team includes: **Shawna S (Chair), Kristina N, Jason I, Julia R, John F, Kathy H, Pastor Milt, and Pastor James.**

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 let Pastor James know.

Pray for **other churches** in our neighborhood, **1<sup>st</sup> Chinese Baptist Church** (on N. Angus, just north of Bullard) and **Mountain View Centro Cristiano**, a sister Mennonite Brethren church that meets in the Fresno area. Pray that God would bless and use both these churches for effective Kingdom work and to help meet the needs of the community.

*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. SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 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.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

*“When Morning Gilds the Skies”* Hymn #87

WELCOME AND GREETING

*“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”* Hymn #562, vs. 1-3

*“Grace Greater than Our Sin”*

COMMUNITY LIFE: New Micah Project Interns & Pastor Rhonda

PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor James

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: *“The Love of God”*

BIBLE READING: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33  
Ephesians 4:25-5:2

*“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”* Hymn #2

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

MESSAGE: *“Deal Gently”* Pastor Connie

*“Take My Life and Let It Be”* Hymn #379

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Pastor Milt F: Worship Leader Evelyn K: Organist  
Larry W: Pianist

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, AUGUST 12, 2018

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team  
*“All Creatures of Our God and King”*

OFFERING *“Hallelujah”*  
*“Every Move I Make”*

PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor James

COMMUNITY LIFE: New Micah Project Interns & Pastor Rhonda

WELCOME AND GREETING

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WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team  
*“Forever”*  
*“Psalm 130”*  
*“Good to Me”*  
2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

MESSAGE: *“Deal Gently”* Pastor Connie

WORSHIP AND MUSIC Worship Team  
*“Because He Lives (Amen)”*

SENDING

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