

Cuestra Visión es / Our Vision is:
Hacer Más Y Mejores Discípulos Para Jesucristo
Increasing Disciples for Jesus Christ in Depth and Numbers
Our Mission: Vehículo de Movilización / Mobilization Vehicle of: PESCAD

11:55 a.m.
Dirige: Jesús Duran

Esta congregación está basada y segura en Jesucristo y la guía del Espíritu Santo. Gócese con Dios en este ambiente familiar. This congregation is based securely in Jesus Christ, and guided by the Holy Spirit. May you enjoy this family of God.

"Jesucristo tiene algo nuevo y mejor para tu presente. Así que deja de lamentarte y vivir en tu pasado. / Jesus Christ has something new and better for your present. So stop regretting and living in your past " J.V. Montes

Lectura Biblica
Josue 1:4-11

Tiempo De Preparación / Preparation Time

Oración de Apertura / Opening Prayer
Bienvenida / Welcome

Coordinador
Coordinador

Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos.

Lider de Alabama / Praise. para hoy / for today
Celebración / Alabanza . Adoración.
Celebration / Praise / Adoration.
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings

Leonard Míreles
Grupo de Alabanza
Worship Team
Coordinadora

Oigamos la Palabra de Dios / Let us Listen to God's Word

Sermon J. V. Montes
Desafió en PIM ante el siglo XXI / Challenge in PIM until the Century XXI
Anuncios y Despedida

Hoy:

6:00 p.m. "Historia De Belén" salón social / Bethlehem Village in FH

Reserve Estas Fechas Para Diciembre / December 2017

Diciembre 19, 7:00 p.m. Reunión del Concilio FMC/PIM

Diciembre 31. 8:00 p.m. Celebración Fin de Año 2017

Diciembre 20 - 27, 7:00 p.m. 1- Oración. 2- Alabanza - 3- Estudio Bíblico, Salón social, Español y salón # 6 English. También Kid's Club. Traigan sus hijos a esta reunión. ¿Quieres predicar en Miércoles? Habla con el pastor

Diciembre 17 - 24 -31. 5:00-6:00 a.m. Reunió de ORACION en la Iglesia. (Venga le esperamos.)

Diciembre 21- 28, 6:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos 6:00- 6:27 p.m. Pray Bible Meditation. 6:30-8:00 p.m. Practice of the Worship Group.

Todos los viernes de 3:00-4:00 p.m. sintonice su programa de radio. "Aroma de Cafe." / Every Friday, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. listen to your radio "Aroma of Coffee." Tune in to channel 1210AM.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December / Diciembre 17

5:00 a.m. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
8:45 a.m. Prayer Time in the Infant Nursery
9:30 a.m. English Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Curso Cuidado Pastoral
10:45 a.m. Tiempo de Compañerismo Cristiano
11:00 a.m. Christian Education Hour
11:00 a.m. Reenfoque Espiritual - Sucesos De La Vida (AFC)
11:55 a.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración / Worship Services
6:00 p.m. Bethlehem Village

Monday, December / Diciembre 18

4:30 p.m. Caroling at SVH
6:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles

Tuesday, December / Diciembre 19

9:30 a.m. Needles & Notions in Room 2
7:00 p.m. Council

Wednesday, December / Diciembre 20

7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos
7:00 p.m. Kids Club Christmas Party
7:00 p.m. MYF
7:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, December / Diciembre 21

6:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos

Friday, December / Diciembre 22

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in the Library

Sunday, December / Diciembre 24

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First Mennonite Church
Primera Iglesia Menonita
1208 "L" Street
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December / Diciembre 17, 2017

Emphasizing Christ-centered community and the Jesus way of service and peacemaking.

9:30 a.m.
Your Will Be Done
Advent 3: Let it be whole

Gathering

Gathering Music Eleanor Friesen
From Heaven Above (Pepping/Pachelbel)
Wisdom and Wonder Ryan and Marty Zimmerman
Let it be...
Call to Worship, Introductions, and Invocation Ruth Buxman
Lighting the Advent Candle
Reading from Isaiah
Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Praising

Advent Hymns of Praise and Joy
Hail to the Lord's Anointed WH 185
Let the Heavens Be Glad WH 187
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings
Wexford Carol (Barker)
Choral Anthem Church Choir
O Savior Rend the Heavens (Bridges)

Hearing

Time with our Children Alan Ewy
Advent Hymn Insert
My Soul Cries Out
New Testament Reading
Luke 1:46-55
Reader's Theatre
I've Been Anointed

Responding

Choral Anthem Church Choir
Hail to the Lord's Anointed (Moyer)
Words of Confession
All O God of peace,
your justice wells up like a spring
bringing dreams, laughter,
and wholeness to the world.
We confess we so often stifle your Spirit.
We are afraid to claim that you anointed us
to carry your upside-down vision
into our broken world,
where the lowly are trampled upon
the hungry go away empty,
the rich increase in power and might.
We confess we lack the courage to build up and repair
what we have broken, imprisoned, and oppressed.
Forgive us when we do not catch your vision.
Lead us beyond our fears,
and guide us on the path to peace.

Responding

Leader O God, who beckons,
we listen for your clarion call within our spirits
to rise up, to change, to move beyond where we have been
before.
In silence, we write down what we believe you are calling us
towards,
and with humility we accept your anointing for the challenges
ahead.

(In silence we write on scrap paper what we believe are
challenges/opportunities God has placed before us. We place
the paper in the bowls. Those who wish may also receive
anointing for the journey ahead.)

Words of Assurance

Leader O God, Emmanuel,
in Jesus, the Christ, you have come among us.
You have given us life and light, and we are restored.

Morning Prayer

Stephen Penner

Sending

Sending Advent Song At Right
God Has Chosen Me
Benediction
Wisdom and Wonder
Let it be...
Postlude
People, Look East (Powell)

Welcome We are glad you are here. We want you to know that no matter
who you are, or what your experiences in life have been, you are welcome here
at our church. We welcome your participation and your questions. We desire
to walk with you on this earthly journey. If you have particular matters for
prayer, or would appreciate a visit, please contact one of our pastors or
deacons. Their contact information is on the back of this bulletin.

Nursery The staffed, early childhood nursery is in Room 3 of the Education
Wing. The un-staffed infant nursery is in the back of the sanctuary. Volunteers
in the nursery are: Today - Renee Harder; December 24 - Barbara Ewy;
December 31 - Melinda Hasagawa.

Come to Bethlehem Village Tonight Our Fellowship Hall has been
transformed into a first century village scene. This is our annual inter-active
children's Christmas "program." Bakers, dancers, priests, tax collectors, artists,
herbalists, beggars and more will populate the village. The activities begin at
6:00 p.m. Bring your family! Walk the ancient streets!

Christmas Caroling at Sierra View Homes Tomorrow evening, December
18, we will sing Christmas carols at Sierra View Homes. This year we will meet
at 4:30 p.m. near the desk at assisted living at Sierra View. This is a rich
opportunity to sing Christmas carols for people from our church, and others as
well!

Next Sunday Morning at FMC Next Sunday morning, on the day before
Christmas, our early service begins at 9:30 a.m. The Buxman family will
accompany our singing and provide special worship music. Christine Moyer is
our worship leader and Stephen Penner will offer the morning message.

Christmas Day Worship Our traditional Christmas Day service will begin at
10:30 a.m. Once again we will celebrate the gift of the Christ child in word and
song. A variety of musical gifts will be shared and we will hear the Christmas
story once again. This service is always a special way to rejoice on Christmas
Day.

Our Condolences Marianna Habegger, age 101, died on Monday of this week.
A private burial was held on Thursday. The memorial service will be on
Saturday, January 27, 2018, at 11 a.m. in our church sanctuary. We extend
our condolences to Marianna's children Alfred, Martha, Valerie, and Eric, and
the entire family.

4 by 4 In early 2018 we want to form a number of 4 by 4 groups. These small
groups bring together four family units from the length and breadth of our
congregation to meet together four times. It's a great opportunity to learn to
know more people in our congregation. We hope to form the groups by
sometime in January so that the groups can begin meeting, each on their own
schedule, by February. If you would like to be part of a 4 by 4 group, please
sign up on the sheet at the back table.

GOD HAS CHOSEN ME

Bernadette Farrell

Verses

1. God has cho-sen me, God has cho-sen me to bring good news
2. God has cho-sen me, God has cho-sen me to set a-light
3. God is call-ing me, God is call-ing me in all whose cry

1. to the poor. God has cho-sen me, God has cho-sen me to
2. a new fire. God has cho-sen me, God has cho-sen me to
3. is un-heard. God is call-ing me, God is call-ing me to

1. bring — new sight to those search-ing for light: God has
2. bring — to birth a new king-dom on earth: God has
3. raise up the voice with no pow-er or choice: God is

Refrain

1. cho - sen me, cho - sen me: And to tell the world
2. cho - sen me, cho - sen me:
3. call - ing me, call - ing me:

that God's king-dom is near, to re-move op-pres-sion and

break down fear, yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,

God's time is near, God's time is near.

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