

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: Pastor Montes

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.

" Un cristiano (agua fiesta) siempre se hará un cristiano maduro el año que viene. J.V. Montes

Lectura Biblica
Mateo 1:18-25

Tiempo De Preparación / Preparation Time

Oración de Apertura / Opening Prayer
Bienvenida / Welcome

Coordinador
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Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos

Lider de Alabanza / Praise
Celebración / Alabanza / Adoración
Celebration / Praise / Adoration
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings

Sergio Alvarado
Grupo de Alabanza
Worship Team
Coordinadora

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

Sermon
Considerando el Nacimiento de Jesús / Considering the Birth of Jesus
Anuncios y Despedida

Stephen Penner
J. V. Montes

Hoy:

6:00 p.m. Soccer en el Sport Park / Soccer in the Sports Park

Reserve Estas Fechas Para Diciembre / December 2017

Diciembre 27, 7:00 p.m. 1- Oración. 2- Alabanza - 3- Estudio Bíblico,

Salón social, Español y salón # 6 English. Traigan sus hijos a esta reunión. ¿Quieres predicar en Miércoles? Habla con el pastor

Diciembre 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.

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

Diciembre 31. 8:00 p.m. Celebración Fin de Año 2017 (Motivo Perdón)

Programa de Radio

Todos Los Viernes de 3 - 4pm. Su Programa "Aroma De Café". En El 1210 AM / Every Friday from 3 to 4pm. Your "Coffee Aroma" Program, on 1210 AM

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December / Diciembre 24

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

Monday, December / Diciembre 25

10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Service

Tuesday, December / Diciembre 26

9:30 a.m. Needles & Notions in Room 2

Wednesday, December / Diciembre 27

7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos

Thursday, December / Diciembre 28

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

Friday, December / Diciembre 29

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

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Primera Iglesia Menonita
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December / Diciembre 24, 2017

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

9:30 a.m.
Your Will Be Done

Advent 4: Yes! Let it be Now

Gathering

Gathering Music	Paul and Ruth Buxman
Wisdom and Wonder	Ryan and Marty Zimmerman
<i>Let it be...</i>	
Call to Worship, Introductions, and Invocation	Christine Moyer
Lighting the Advent Candle	
Reading from the Psalms	
<i>Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26</i>	

Praising

Christmas Hymns of Praise and Joy	
<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	WH 212
<i>Oh, How Joyfully</i>	WH 209
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings	
Song of the Season	
<i>To Us a Child of Hope is Born</i>	WH 189

Hearing

Time with Our Children	Alan Ewy
Advent Hymn	
<i>My Soul Proclaims with Wonder</i>	WH 181
Reading from the New Testament	
<i>Luke 1:26-38</i>	
Proclamation	Stephen Penner
<i>It was the Night before Christmas</i>	

Responding

Worship Music	The Buxman Family
Words of Confession	
<i>All O God of blessing and joy,</i>	
<i>your favor rests upon us, and our souls magnify you.</i>	
<i>We sing of your steadfast love</i>	
<i>and proclaim your faithfulness.</i>	
<i>We confess we often lack complete trust,</i>	
<i>walking in our own strength,</i>	
<i>building our own houses</i>	
<i>instead of joining you</i>	
<i>in turning ruins into abundance.</i>	
<i>We are terrified and overcome by fear,</i>	
<i>wondering, "How will we know?"</i>	
<i>and pondering, "How can this be?"</i>	
<i>We are afraid to claim and proclaim</i>	
<i>that nothing is impossible</i>	
<i>when your power overshadows us,</i>	
<i>when your Spirit comes upon us.</i>	
<i>We find it hard to let go and say,</i>	
<i>"Here I am, the servant of the Lord;</i>	
<i>let it be with me according to your word."</i>	
<i>Forgive us.</i>	

Responding

*Leader O Lord, we stand with our neighbor,
those we know well, those we don't even know.
We sing love and beauty, joy and peace, hope and salvation,
even in the dead of night.*

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	
<i>Sing a Different Song</i>	At Right
Benediction	
Wisdom and Wonder	
<i>Let it be...</i>	
Postlude	

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 - Barbara Ewy; December 31 - Melinda Hasagawa.

Christmas Day Service Our Christmas Day service of praise and celebration is at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow morning, Christmas Day. This will be a service full of praise and wonder as we celebrate with our church family and beloved friends who join in the joy of Christmas Day.

Next Sunday Morning at our Church Next Sunday morning is the first Sunday after Christmas. We live in the warm glow of the Christ child's birth. During our morning worship service our choir will sing. Jim Krause, Cathy Ratmeyer, and Barbara Boldt will offer reflections as we stand at the end of the current year, and on the cusp of a new year. As part of our response to what we see, hear, feel, and know, we will share Holy Communion.

Our Condolences We extend our condolences to the family of Dorothy Doerksen-Reimer. Dorothy passed away at Sierra View Homes on December 15. The memorial service was held at our church this past Thursday. Dorothy was Paul Reimer's step-mother.

Treasurer's Note Please remember that an end-of-year donation must be either postmarked or received at the church by December 31 to be counted as a donation in the 2017 tax year. Thank you for giving generously to our church.
Ed Boldt, Treasurer

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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries Being Celebrated This Week Manuel Otero (12/24), Alma Rodriguez (12/26); Irvin & Bernice Isaak (12/28), Ted & Fran Loewen (12/28), Dave & Melinda Hasegawa (12/29), Juan & Carmen Montes (12/30).

Sing a different song

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1 Sing a dif-ferent song now
2 Shout a dif-ferent shout now
3 Love a dif-ferent love now
4 Dance a dif-ferent dance now



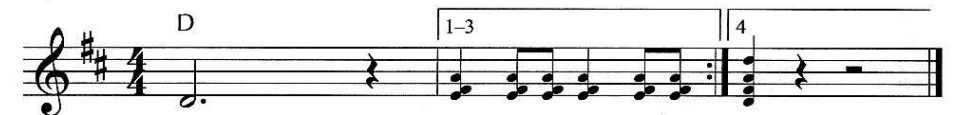
Christ-mas is here, sing a song of peo-ple know-ing God's
Christ-mas is here, shout a shout of joy and gen-u-ine
Christ-mas is here, love with-out con-di-tion, love with-out
Christ-mas is here, dance a dance of war on suf-fering and



near: The Mes-si-ah is born in the
cheer: Fill the earth and the sky with the
fear: With the hum-ble and poor, with the
fear: Peace and jus-tice are one, in the



face of our scorn, sing a dif-ferent song to wel-come and
news from on high, shout a dif-ferent shout that all may come
shy and un-sure, love a dif-ferent love. Let Christ be the
light of the sun. Dance a dif-ferent dance. God's reign has be -



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gun!

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