

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 J.V. 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.

"Que las bendiciones de Jesucristo se multipliquen en tu vida."
"May the blessings of Jesus Christ multiply in your life." J.V. Montes

Lectura Biblica
Hebreos 6:1-7

Tiempo De Preparación / Preparation Time

Oración de Apertura / Opening Prayer
Bienvenida / Welcome

Coordinador
Coordinador

Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos

Ministración en la Alabanza/ Ministry in Praise
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings

Mario Faz
Coordinador

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

Presentación Especial / Special Presentation
Anuncios y Despedida

Mario Faz
J. V. Montes

Hoy:

6:00pm Soccer en el Sport Park.

Reserve Estas Fechas Para Diciembre / December 2017

Diciembre 5, 7:00 p.m. Reunión De Diáconos
Diciembre 6, 6:00 p.m. Dine Out, Comer en la Iglesia Diciembre
Diciembre 13, 7:00 p.m. "RELIESER" (Reunión para ajustar plan del 2018.)
Diciembre 17, 6:00 p.m. "Historia De Belén" salón social
Diciembre 19, 7:00 p.m. Reunión del concilio FMC/PIM
Diciembre 31. 8:00 p.m. Celebración Fin de Año 2017
Diciembre 6 - 13 - 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 3 - 10 - 17 - 24 -31. 5:00-6:00 a.m. Reunión de ORACION en la Iglesia. (Venga le esperamos.)
Diciembre 7 - 14 - 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.



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Separe esta Fecha:

Agosto 9-12, 2018. Camp Keola. Lema: 'Tiempo De Rompimiento.' Como preparación leer. Noviembre; la 1ra semana el cap. # 1, la 2da cap. # 2. la 3ra. cap # 3. la 4ta. cap. # 4.y la 5ta cap. # 5.

Save this Date: August 8-12, 2018. Camp Keola. Motto: 'Break Time.' In preparation for reading November, 1st week, chapter # 1, 2nd chapter # 2, 3rd chapter # 3, 4th chapter # 4, and 5th chapter # 5.

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.

First Mennonite Church
Primera Iglesia Menonita
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December / Diciembre 3, 2017

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

9:30 a.m.

Your Will Be Done
Advent 1: Let It Be

Gathering

Gathering Music David Boldt
Savior of the Nations, Come (Bach)
Wisdom and Wonder Ryan and Marty Zimmerman
Let It Be...
Call to Worship, Introductions, and Invocation Lance Zimmerman
Lighting the Advent Candle Miyoba Hambayi
Reading from Isaiah
Isaiah 64:1-9

Praising

Advent Hymns of Praise and Joy WH 175
O Savior, Rend the Heavens WH 104
Of the Father's Love Begotten
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings
Choral Anthem Church Choir
Salvation is Created (Tschesnokoff)

Hearing

Time with our Children Alan Ewy
Advent Hymn
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus WH 178
New Testament Reading
Mark 13:24-37
Story Stephen Penner
The Boy with Wavy Hair

Responding

Choral Anthem Church Choir
Salvation is Created (Tschesnokoff)
Words of Confession
*All O God of power and might,
we want you to tear open the heavens and come down,
yet we tremble and quake at the thought.
We confess that even though we know your light,
we do not like the dark, empty void
where your Spirit hovers over the waters.
We shake like leaves in the wind,
fearful of what you might ask,
afraid to trust you completely.
Caught up in the swirling of our world
we struggle to "let it be."
Forgive us, O God*

Responding

*Leader: We wait in holy, attentive silence.
We listen for your voice, your Spirit's quickening.
We light these candles to remind us of our eternal hope.
(silence, and candles may be lit)*

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
Sleepers, Wake! WH 188
Benediction
Wisdom and Wonder
Let it be...
Postlude
Toccata: He is Born the Divine Christ Child (Bedard)

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 - Edith Montano; December 10 - Sharon Reimer; December 17 - Renee Harder.

Deacon Discernment We are currently in the process of discerning new deacons to serve our congregation. In your bulletin you will find a nomination sheet. Church members can submit up to three names for consideration. Nominations can be placed in the box at the back of the church. Our three retiring deacons are Cathy Ratmeyer, Sebastian Andrade, and Isaias Montano. They are not eligible to continue to serve as deacons. Our continuing deacons are Barbara Boldt, Maxi Ambriz, Sharon Reimer, Jim Krause, Sergio Alvarado, and Jerry Linscheid. Deacons serve three year terms and are responsible for oversight of our pastors, care for the spiritual well-being of our congregation, and maintaining contact with people across the length and breadth of our congregation. Deacons also tend to the vision of our church, address special needs as they arise, and are ready to work at conflict resolution and peacemaking in our congregation. Today is the last day to submit your nominations.

Advent Begins Today is the first Sunday of Advent. Over the weeks leading up to Christmas we will sing songs and hymns of the season, we will read again familiar Advent biblical texts, we will allow space for wisdom and wonder, our eyes will feast, we will hear from a woodworker, and we will seek to allow the Spirit of the living God seep into our lives.

Advent Season Dates During the Advent season our worship schedule will be familiar. Our early service (English language) begins each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and our late service (Spanish language) begins at noon. There are a number of special services during the season. Today, during our late service, Mario Faz will be singing. On Sunday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m., Musica Viva will present an Advent concert. On Sunday evening, December 17, beginning at 6:00 p.m., our church Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a Bethlehem village scene, replete with priests, artisans, tax collectors, dancers, beggars, and more. This is our annual Children's program and the evening is designed to be interactive and very family friendly. On Monday evening, December 18, we gather at Sierra View for Christmas caroling. Christmas day our traditional Christmas day service will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Dine Out at Church Our next Dine out at Church is this coming Wednesday, December 6, at 6:00 p.m. Vegetable soup, chicken soup, and rice will be served. The meal is being prepared by PIM women.

Peace Center Friday, December 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Speaker: Ron Schmidt, retired Professor of Political Science, CSU Long Beach. Topic: *Understanding U.S. Racial Politics Through the Lens of "Settler Colonialism."*

Musica Viva will be performing here in our sanctuary next Sunday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. They will be performing Advent music.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December / Diciembre 3

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 4

6:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles
7:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, December / Diciembre 5

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

Wednesday, December / Diciembre 6

6:00 p.m. Dine Out
7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos
7:00 p.m. Kids Club
7:00 p.m. MYF
7:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, December / Diciembre 7

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

Friday, December / Diciembre 8

6:30 p.m. Peace Center
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting in the Library

Sunday, December / Diciembre 10

5:00 a.m. Prayer Time in the Sanctuary
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7:00 p.m. Music Viva