

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**

11:00 p.m.
 Dirige: *Beth Guerrero*

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.

Bienvvenida y Oración / Welcome and Prayer

Oración de Apertura / Open Prayer	Coordinador
Lectura Biblia / Biblical Reading	Coordinador
<i>Jeremias 18:1-6</i>	
Bienvenida / Welcome	Coordinador
Necesidades De Oración / Prayer Needs	Coordinador
Cumpleaños / Birthdays	Coordinador

Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos / Worship Together

Grupo De Alabanza / Worship Team	Raul Zarco
Jr. Church	Barbara Ewy
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings	Ujieres / Ushers
Grupo de Alabanza / Worship Team	Raul Zarco

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

Sermón / Sermon	Pastor JV Montes
<i>¿Qué Clase de Vaso Eres? / What Kind of Glass are You?</i>	
Anuncios & Promoción Operación Andrés	Pastor Juan

Reserve Estas Fechas Para Diciembre / December

Diciembre 30. 11:00 a.m. Celebración Fin De Año & "Día De Mi Salario Para Cristo"
 Enero 8. 7:00 p.m. Reunión de Diáconos
 Enero 8. 7:00 p.m. Reunión de Trustees
 Enero 8. 5:30-7:00 p.m. Cena De Sopa De Borscht
 Enero 9-16-23-30 7:00 p.m. Oración - Alabanza - Estudio Bíblico
 Enero 10-17-24-31. 6:30 p.m. Worship Team Practice
 Enero 15. 7:00 p.m. Reunión del Concilio Local
 Enero 16. 6:00 p.m. Reunión del Comité de Educación
 Enero 22. 7:00 p.m. Reunión Lideres en Acción
 Enero 27. 6:00 p.m. Reunión Anual de Negocios

ANUNCIO ESPECIAL: Nuestra Iglesia tiene sus servicios oficiales los:
 Domingos de 11-12. Estudios Bíblicos Para Todas Las Edades. y de 12-1:30pm. Serbio de Alabanza y Adoración, Miércoles de 7-8:30pm. Oración-Alabanzas - Estudio Bíblico y Kid's Club. (Les animo que se hagan parte asistiendo a estos programas de la iglesia y ayuden a motivar a otros a asistir.)

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday / Domingo, December / Diciembre 30

5:00 a.m.	Tiempo de Oración en el Salón Social
8:45 a.m.	Prayer Time in the Infant Nursery
9:30 a.m.	English Worship Service
10:00 a.m.	Curso Cuidado Pastoral
11:00 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.	Pastor Steve's Retirement Party

Wednesday / Miércoles, January / Enero 2

7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
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Thursday / Jueves, January / Enero 3

6:30 p.m.	Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos
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Sunday / Domingo, January / Enero 6

5:00 a.m.	Prayer Time in the Fellowship Hall
8:45 a.m.	Prayer Time in the Infant Nursery
9:30 a.m.	English Worship Service
11:00 a.m.	Christian Education Hour
11:00 a.m.	Reenfoque Espiritual - Sucesos De La Vida (AFC)
12:00 p.m.	Servicio Alabanza y Adoración / Worship Services



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December / Diciembre 30, 2018

Journey Forward

First Sunday after Christmas Day: Love Revealed

Gathering for Worship

Music for Gathering Buxman Family Players
Call to Worship

Leader: *The Word has become flesh; God now walks among us!*

People: Through Jesus, God is fully made known.

Leader: *All creation is renewed, experiencing the grace and truth of God, through the birth and life of Jesus.*

People: And all who believe are the children of God; brought together to experience the unity of the whole human race.

All: Praise be to God for the abundant love and shalom we now experience!

Welcome and Invocation Christine Moyer
O Come, All Ye Faithful WH 212
Sharing our Gifts

Christmas Singing

Christmas Hymns
Good Christian Friends, Rejoice WH 210
Oh, How Joyfully WH 209

Scripture Reading
Psalms 148
Worship Music Buxman Family Players

Listening for God's Word

Time with the Children Barbara Ewy
Scripture Reading
Colossians 3:12-17

Proclamation Gail Harder, David Boldt, Barbara Boldt
Reflections on the Final Sunday of the Calendar Year

Christmas Hymn
To Us a Child of Hope is Born WH 189

Responding

Responding
Remembering Bethlehem
Morning Prayer Stephen Penner

Christmas Hymn
Hark the Herald Angels Sing WH 201

Benediction
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 unstaffed infant nursery is in the back of the sanctuary. Volunteers in the nursery are: Today - Deborah Lyons; January 6 - Sharon Reimer; January 13 - Barbara Ewy.

Worship Services in January The morning message during the early service will be provided by the following during January:

January 6: Kaz Enomoto
January 13: Barbara Ewy
January 20: Steve Ratzlaff
January 27: Jon Gerig (Bethel College President)

Pastor Steve's Retirement Party The retirement celebration for Steve is this evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Desserts are welcome. There will be an open mic time if you have a story about Steve to share. You may bring a card and love offering. Love offering checks can be made out to First Mennonite Church. Gifts will be divided between the Deacons Emergency Fund for immigration related needs in our church and the MYF. If you have a picture from Steve's time at church, please email it to Jerry Linscheid at linscheidj@gmail.com.

Next Sunday Morning Next Sunday morning is Epiphany Sunday. Our church choir will sing and our guest speaker will be Kaz Enomoto. Kaz and Lois live in Fresno and attend Mennonite Community Church. Kaz is originally from Japan and served with Mennonite Mission Network in his homeland for many years.

Pastoral Call for Caley Ortman and Barbara Ewy During the past months the Board of Deacons has discussed and now recommends that Barbara Ewy and Caley Ortman be called as pastors at our church. Barbara will be called to work with children's ministries and Caley primarily with youth ministries. We recognize that both have been functioning as pastors though neither as that title. Barbara and Caley are at various stages in filling out the Mennonite Church USA MLI (Ministerial Inquiry Form), a pre-requisite for licensing towards ordination in Mennonite Church USA polity. We anticipate at the January annual church business meeting inviting the congregation to issue a call to Barbara and Caley to serve as pastors at our church.

Treasurer's Note Typical church expenses for December are about \$18,000 and we began the month with a deficit of \$14,000. So we will need about \$32,000 in December to end the year with a positive balance. Through last Sunday we have received \$31,250. So it looks like we will end the year without a deficit. This is very good news! Thank you! Please remember that donations must be received in the church office or postmarked by December 31 for a receipt to be issued for 2018.

Congratulations! We failed to get into the bulletin this happy word! Jackson Jones was born to Natalie and Bryce Loewen on November 30. Jack joins big brother Archie in the family. The proud grandparents are Fran and Ted Loewen, along with Raymond and Donna Richard.

Borscht Soup Supper Get out your 2019 calendar and mark January 9 for the Mennonite Women's Borscht Soup Dinner. They will be serving soup, homemade breads, and desserts from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This dinner is their annual fundraiser for support for our Mission Network worker, Mary Raber serving in Ukraine.

MDS Job Opportunities Mennonite Disaster Service is building our team and searching for qualified, motivated individuals who have a knowledge of and passion for the MDS mission, vision and values and a commitment to the Anabaptist church. Current position openings include: (1) Communications Manager in Lititz, PA, (2) a Regional Operations Coordinator in Region 4, in U.S. Western Region states, (3) a Volunteer Training Specialist, home based (U.S. resident) and (4) a Leadership Volunteer Interviewer, home based (U.S. resident). For more information, visit our webpage at www.mds.mennonite.net/who-weare/employment.

