

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

12:00 p.m.
 Dirige: Maxi Ambriz

Navidad es un mes de alegría y caridad. Que Dios te haga rico en ambos.
 Christmas is a month of joy and charity. May God make you rich in both.

"Sigue caminando tomado de la mano con Jesucristo, con esperanza en el corazón, y nunca caminaras solo en la vida. / Keep walking hand in hand with Jesus Christ, with hope in your heart, and you will never walk alone in life."
 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.

BIENVENIDA Y ORACION / WELCOME AND PRAYER

Oración de Apertura / Open Prayer	Coordinadora
Lectura Biblia / Biblical Reading	Coordinadora
<i>Salmos 42:10-11</i>	
Bienvenida / Welcome	Coordinadora
Cumpleaños / Birthdays	Worship Team

ALABEMOS Y ADOREMOS JUNTOS / WORSHIP TOGETHERS

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

OIGAMOS LA PALABRA DE DIOS / LET US LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Anuncios	Ligia Duran
Sermón / Sermón	Pastor J.V. Montes
<i>Esperanza Hoy y Aquí / Hope Here and Now</i>	

Programa y Actividades Para Hoy

11:00 a.m. Discipulados. Clases para todas las edades
 11:45 a.m. Tiempo de Compañerismo (Café Anabautista)
 12:00 p.m. Servicio De alabanza y Adoración
 1:45 p.m. Clausura del Servicio

Lunes. 8-8:30 p.m. Conferencia De Oración Telefónica. Marque al (712) 770-5505 después que le conteste la operadora marque 517-530 y usted en el cuarto de ORACION.

Programas y Actividades Para Diciembre / December 2019

Diciembre, 7:00 p.m. Reunión De Lideres En Acción
 Diciembre 11-18, 7:00 p.m. Miércoles de. Oración- Alabanzas - Estudio Bíblico. Kids Club. (Les animo que se hagan parte asistiendo a estos programas oficiales de la iglesia y que deben ser atendidos por sus miembros.
 Diciembre 12-19-26, 7:00 p.m. Practica Grupo De Alabanza / Práctica Worship Team
 Diciembre 15, 8:30 p.m. Vigilia Jóvenes
 Diciembre 17, 7:00 p.m. Reunión Del Concilio
 Diciembre 22, 6:00 p.m. La Villa De Belem

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday / Domingo, December / Diciembre 8

5:00 a.m. Tiempo de Oración en el Salón Social
 9:30 a.m. English Worship Service
 11:00 a.m. Christian Education Hour
 11:00 a.m. Academia de Discipulados
 11:45 a.m. Tiempo de Compañerismo
 12:00 p.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración

Tuesday / Martes, December / Diciembre 10

9:30 a.m. Needles & Notions in Room 2
 10:15 a.m. Education Committee Meeting

Wednesday / Miércoles, December / Diciembre 11

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

Thursday / Jueves, December / Diciembre 12

6:30 p.m. Practica Grupo De Alabanza

Friday / Viernes, December / Diciembre 13

6:30 p.m. Peace Center

Saturday / Sabado, December / Diciembre 14

7:00 p.m. Musica Viva
 8:30 p.m. MYF Christmas Party/Lock-in

Sunday / Domingo, December / Diciembre 15

5:00 a.m. Tiempo de Oración en el Salón Social
 9:30 a.m. English Worship Service
 11:00 a.m. Christian Education Hour
 11:00 a.m. Academia de Discipulados
 11:45 a.m. Tiempo de Compañerismo
 12:00 p.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración
 4:30 p.m. Caroling at SVG



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First Mennonite Church
Primera Iglesia Menonita

1208 "L" Street
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December / Diciembre 8, 2019

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

9:30 a.m.

Waiting in the Midst of Hope

Gathering for Worship

Gathering Music David Boldt

Savior of the Nations, Come (Bach)

Choral Anthem Church Choir

E'en so Lord Jesus (Manz)

Welcome and Call to Worship Ruth Buxman

One: Oh God, our God, we cry out to you.

Many: Asking, when will you bring righteousness, defend the poor, deliver the needy?

Asking, when will you make harmonious creation?

One: When will your love, mercy and justice rule us?

All: God, what are you waiting for?

Prayer

Hymn of the Season

Comfort, Comfort, O My People

WH 176

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

Hymn of the Season

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

WH 185

Sharing With Each Other

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Geneva Psalm 42 (Parker)

Pastoral Prayer

Singing Our Prayer

Prince of Peace Control My Will

WH 534

Out of the Box

Barbara Ewy

Listening for God's Word for Our Lives

Scripture Reading

Romans 15:4-13

Choral Anthem

How Lovely are the Messengers (Mendelssohn)

Church Choir

Proclamation

Grafting in Christ

Jon Mark

Reaffirming Our Faith

Leader: God calls us to live with endurance.

People: We glorify the God of Hope.

Leader: The God of encouragement calls us to unity.

People: We thank the Lord for the bounty of God's mercy.

Leader: God calls us to a new vision for all of creation.

ALL: Let us all praise the Lord.

Responding in Song

This is the Story Full of Love (vs. 1-4, 6-7)

WH 315

Acceptance of Membership

Jerry Linscheid

Installation of Jon Mark as Pastor

Clare Ann Ruth Hefflebower

Congregational Response

We gather in celebration of the joy that is ours to be partners with you in the service of Jesus Christ.

We promise to love you, honor your leadership, and assist you that together we may be a faithful church of Jesus Christ.

Responding in Song

God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

WH 632

Sending

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. If you have particular matters for prayer, or would appreciate a visit, please contact one of our pastors or one of the 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; December 15 - Christy Zimmerman; December 22 - Gail Harder.

Advent 3 This year during Advent and Christmas, we are going to explore questions people have had for God and questions people still have today. As you prepare for next Sunday's morning service please reflect on this question: What do we do with fear when we see what creation needs? Be ready to share your response in a small group.

Advent Worship Guide *Waiting and Wondering* is available on the back table. This home worship guide parallels the texts and themes we are using in worship during Advent through Epiphany.

Poinsettias The Beautification Committee invites us to bring Poinsettias in memory of loved ones. You may bring those over the next 2 Sundays.

Peace Center Friday, December 13, 6:30 p.m. Speaker: Vic Bedoian talking about being a stringer at KPFA.

Musica Viva will present the second feature of their 2019-2020 season of local musical performances with a contemplative Christmas concert on December 14th at 7:00 p.m. The program will be comprised of readings and music for Advent and Christmas.

Great Winter Warm-up The last day to help make comforters for MCC's "Piecing for Peace" will be Thursday, December 19 at the Mennonite Quilt Center from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Fabric will be provided. Please bring your own sewing machine. All the comforter tops that have been made will be tied at the store in January.

Bethlehem Village This year's Christmas program will be on Sunday, December 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Once again this year we will re-create a first century village scene for this fun-filled, educational, inter-generational Christmas program. Please plan to join us. You are welcome to wear traditional dress if you wish. Costumes will be available as well. Please plan to bring a plate of Christmas treats to share with everyone!

River City Production Support your church and theater in Reedley. Attend any showing of the upcoming River City Theatre Company production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (December 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, or 22) and 10% of your ticket price will be rebated back directly to our church! Be sure to tell the volunteers at the check-in counter which church you are with so your ticket is counted and funds are distributed properly. Also, to encourage families to attend this fun-filled musical, they are offering specially priced children's tickets: \$10 for those 12 and under.

Open House As many of you know, Dee Patrick, our Office Coordinator for the past 16 years, will be retiring at the end of December. You are invited to an Open House Farewell Party for her this Thursday, December 12, from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in the church office.

Lunch with the Pastor If you would like to meet and get to know our new pastor, Jon Mark, we invite you to make an appointment with him. He has a sign-up sheet on the door of his office.

Caroling You are invited to join us for caroling at Sierra View Homes on Sunday, December 15 at 4:30 p.m. We will gather in the dining hall.

Christmas Day Service On Christmas morning at 10:30 a.m. we will have a worship service of singing and reading Scripture. If you would like to sing, read Scripture, or a poem, please contact Barbara Ewy (743-5360).

Save This Date! Mark your calendar for Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. MCC will be having their Centennial Celebration at the Reedley MB Church. For more information, contact krystalklaassen@mcc.org.

Christian Education

First Mennonite/Primera Iglesia Menonita

Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Preschool - Room 3

Journeys with Jesus (Gospel of Matthew and Luke 2)

Multiage (Kindergarten -Grade 5) - Room 11

Journeys with Jesus (Gospel of Matthew and Luke 2)

Youth (Grades 6-12) - Basement

Studying the Gospel of Mark

Young Adults - Basement (by the Kitchen)

Exploring the Christmas Stories

Koinonia (Adult) - Basement

Book study - *Fire by Night-Finding God In the Pages of the Old*

Testament by Melissa Florer-Bixler

Fellowship (Adult) - Room 7-8

Book study - *Unraptured - How End Times Theology Gets It Wrong* by Zack Hunt

The Soul Journey Class (Adult) - Room 10

Noticing the divine along the way through literature, poetry and personal stories.

Discipleship (Bilingual Adult) - Room 5

Mennonite Confession of Faith articles

Meditation - Prayer Room in Basement

The silent meditation group meets for 1/2 hour after the morning service in the prayer room in the southwest corner of the church basement. All are welcome.

Sunday - 12:00 p.m. (Worship)

Children are dismissed from worship service after worship and before the sermon

Children's Opening - Room 2

Music, Bible verses, books of the Bible

Primary (Preschool - Grade 2) - Room 4

Journeys with Jesus (Gospel of Matthew and Luke 2)

Middler (Grade 3 and up) - Room 11

Journeys with Jesus (Gospel of Matthew and Luke 2)

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Kids Club (Preschool -Grade 6) -Rooms 1-2

Bible lessons from Luke (Christmas), games and crafts

Youth Group (Grades 7-12) - Basement

Rotation between Social, Service, Bible Study, and Recreation

Discipleship - (Bilingual) - Room 6

Study of Galatians