

Nuestra 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.
Coordina:
Ariana Sandoval

Edifiquemos Juntos La Familia / Let Us Build the Family Together

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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.

"¿Quién determina mi FUTURO, mi pasado, mi presente o Jesucristo? Who determines my future, my past, my present? Me or Jesus Christ? J.V. Montes

Tiempo De Preparación / Preparation Time

Oración de Apertura / Opening Prayer	Coordinador / Leader
Bienvenida / Welcome	Coordinador / Leader
Lectura Bíblica Biblical Reading	Lucas 4:15-21

Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos / Praise and Adoration Together

Cantos de Alabanzas - Celebración	Grupo de Alabanza
Singing of Praise - Celebration	Worship Team
Cantos de Adoración	Grupo de Alabanza
Songs of Adoration	Worship Team
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings	Coordinador / Leader

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

Predica / Sermon Pastor: JV Montes
Significado De La Pascua / Meaning of the Passover

Tiempo de Ministración - Peticiones / Time of Ministering & Praying
Ujieres: Fernando Contreras, Guille Ibarra, Maxi Ambriz, Jesús Duran, Gerardo Aguilar, María Mejía, Alfredo Mejía, Nohemí Palma y Juan Hernández

Hoy Por La Noche:

5:30 pm. Acompañenos al parque al jugar soccer-también jugaran niños(a)
5:30 p.m. Join us at the park to play soccer - bring the children too.

Reserve su Estas Fechas / Save These Important Dates:

Marzo 23, 2015. Reunión Comité de Educación. 7:00pm
Marzo 28, 2015. Graduación Hermanas. Jethsy Aballo y María Mejía
Abril 5, 2015. Servicio de Pascua en Burriss Park.
Abril 26, 2015. Servicio unido afuera / All Church Picnic
Agosto 14-16, 2015. Camp Keola. Campamento Familiar - HAGA SUS RESERVACIONES / Family Camp - MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS

Prayers for Pastor Max Villatoro We hold in our prayers Pastor Max Villatoro, pastor of the Iglesia Menonita Torre Fuerte in Iowa City, Iowa. Max is in detention in Louisiana and is threatened with deportation to his native Honduras. Max entered the United States in the 1990s, received a DUI in 1998 and pleaded guilty to record tampering in 1999. Since then he gave his life to Christ, married, and became a Mennonite pastor. Max and Gloria have four children. Over 25,000 people have signed petitions in support of Pastor Max, including an MCC sponsored petition at groundswell-mvmt.org. Let us join the Central Plains Mennonite Conference and many others in praying for Pastor Max and his family.

Job Opportunity West Coast MCC is currently seeking to hire a full time Administrative Assistant. For more information visit: mcc.org/current openings. Please send a cover letter and resume by March 25, 2015 to Renee Harder at reneeharder@mcc.org.

Prayer Vine Passionfest, held in New Zealand last month, is an annual celebration of Jesus, community, and justice. Pray for Mark and Mary Hurst of Mennonite Mission Network, based in Australia, as they follow up on contacts they made during the festival.

United Bible Study Postponed The united Bible study on the book of Romans is postponed until this summer.

High School Youth Looking for Work! Ten of our high school youth will be going to Kansas City this summer to attend the Mennonite Youth Convention. Our youth are looking for work opportunities to help earn their way to Kansas City. If you have a job to offer please contact Ro Linscheid.

Kids Auction at the West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale & Auction Ro Linscheid is looking for new or nearly new items to auction off for the children. You can drop items off at Sierra View Homes office or contact Ro at 393-6913.

My Coins Count Start collecting your coins. My Coins Count (formerly Penny Power) wrappers for money containers are available on the table in organ entryway. Bring your filled jars or containers to the sale April 10-11 at Fresno Pacific University.

Help is Needed If you would like to volunteer at the auction in the quilt area (and see what goes on "behind the scenes") contact Dee Patrick in the church office, at 917-9981 or deeprog@juno.com.



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March / Marzo 22, 2015

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

9:30 a.m.
Upside Down and Inside Out
Lent 5
Letting the Seed Coats Decay

FIRST LOOK

Prelude David Boldt
Fantasie in C Minor (Bach)
Gathering Hymn
How Firm a Foundation WH 567
Welcome and Opening Prayer Lance Zimmerman
Scripture Reading
Hebrews 5:5-10
Call to Authenticity
Leader: Faithful God, we want to mature in faith.
People: *But what does that really mean?
And what will we have to give up?*
Leader: We wonder what transformation requires of us, our congregation, our denomination.
People: *We're afraid you'll ask too much.
(Silence)*
Leader: We want to be your people.
People: *Make us willing receivers of a covenant knit right into the center of our beings.*

Hymn of Surrender to God's Work in our Lives
Here I am, Lord WH 395

UPSIDE DOWN AND INSIDE OUT

Call to Grace
God wants truth in the most hidden places, and teaches wisdom in the most secret space. Creating for us clean hearts, God puts a new, faithful spirit deep inside us!
Time with our Children Barbara Ewy
Sharing our Joys and Concerns
Morning Prayer
Worship Music Women's Ensemble
How Lovely are Thy Dwellings (Smart)
Meditation Steve Ratzlaff
The Human Jesus

SECOND LOOK

Reader's Theatre
Scripture Reading
Hebrews 5:5-10
Hymn of Commitment
Heart and Mind, Possessions, Lord WH 392
Sharing our Gifts
Variations on At the Lamb's High Feast (Pachelbel)
Call to Commitment
Leader: God turns things upside down and inside out, writing a new way of being into our very DNA.
People: *God, we will watch and wait for your new thing to bear fruit within and among us.*

Words of Blessing
Hymn of Thanksgiving for God's Work in our Lives
To God be the Glory WH 102
Postlude
Fugue in C Minor (Bach)

Welcome to Our Service of Worship We are so glad you have joined us today to participate in this service of worship. Please know that regardless of where you have come from, or what you have experienced in the past, we welcome you. If you have a particular prayer concern, or would appreciate a visit, please contact one of the deacons or pastors. If you are visiting today, we are glad you are here.

Nursery Workers The staffed, early childhood nursery is in Room 3 of the Education Wing. An un-staffed infant nursery is in the back of the sanctuary. The following people are scheduled to work during the early service: March 22 - Edith Montano; March 29 - Carolina Valdovinos; April 5 - Sharon Reimer.

Our Guest Speaker Today We welcome to our service today Steve Ratzlaff. He will be preaching during the early service. Steve is no stranger to us at FMC. Steve has pastored Mennonite congregations in Seattle, Lincoln, Nebraska, and Fresno. He's served as the moderator of a couple different Mennonite area conferences. He served with MCC in Bolivia and has volunteered with CPT. Also, Steve has been active in the National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund. Welcome, Steve!

Pastoral Absence Stephen Penner is attending Mennonite Mission Network meetings in Elkhart, Indiana this weekend. Today he is preaching at the Florence Church of the Brethren Mennonite in Constantine, Michigan. This is a self-described small (35 in attendance last week) "welcoming Anabaptist rural peace church." It holds membership in both the Church of the Brethren and Mennonite Church USA denominations.

Palm Sunday Worship Next Sunday, March 29, is Palm Sunday. During our early service we will recall, with palm branches waving, Jesus' "triumphant" entry into Jerusalem. Our church choir will sing, a readers theatre will perform, we will hear scripture and pray, and Stephen Penner will bring the morning meditation.

Maundy Thursday A Maundy Thursday service, including holy communion, will be held on Thursday evening, April 2, in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Juan Montes' trip to Israel/Palestine Pastor Juan Montes will be traveling to Israel/Palestine this April 17-29 as part of a thirteen person Mennonite Church USA delegation. The trip is co-sponsored by Mennonite Church USA, Pacific Southwest Mennonite Conference, and Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference. The objectives of the trip are to meet Mennonite partners in Israel/Palestine including Palestinian Christians, develop a deeper understanding of the realities of occupation, hear a variety of Jewish/Israeli perspectives, and visit sites important to the Biblical story.

Mennonites have witnessed to the way of Jesus in Israel/Palestine for over 65 years. In 2011 the Executive Board of MC USA, in response to an urgent appeal from a broad range of Palestinian Christian leaders, agreed to expand opportunities for Mennonite leaders to visit Palestinian Christians and "come and see" their realities. In our desire to be peacebuilders, the Executive Board is also committed to learning from the Jewish story of suffering and injustice.

Pastor Juan will be traveling with five other PSMC leaders, four persons from the PNMC, and three MCUSA people from the East Coast. MCC Jerusalem staff plan the itinerary in close consultation with MC USA staff and accompany and guide the group.

If you would like to support this trip financially, please write a check to our church and designate it for "Come & See Fund."

Peace Center Friday, March 27, 6:30-8:30 Speaker: Cindy Hoopes. Topic: *Clean Food, Energy, and Vitality.*

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March / Marzo 22

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)
11:50 a.m. Servicio Alabanza y Adoración. Worship Services

Monday, March / Marzo 23

12:00 p.m. AA Meeting in the Fireside Room
6:00 p.m. Practica del Grupo de Alabanza (Miércoles)
7:00 p.m. Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March / Marzo 24

9:30 a.m. Needles & Notions in Room 2
6:00 p.m. Tiemplo Servicio de Oración / Prayer Time
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Wednesday, March / Marzo 25

7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos
7:00 p.m. Net de Apoyo Matrimonios Jóvenes/
Marriage & Family Class in Rm. 5
7:00 p.m. Kids Club
7:00 p.m. MYF
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Prayer, Bible Study Young Adults "Bethel" PIM
8:00 p.m. Worship Young Adult "Bethel" PIM

Thursday, March / Marzo 26

5:00 p.m. Practica Grupo de Alabanza / Worship Team Training

Friday, March / Marzo 27

6:30 p.m. Peace Center

Sunday, March / Marzo 29

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IMPORTANT SUNDAY EVENING DATES

April 19; 6:00 p.m. - Kevin Enns Rempel speaking on "Mennonites in CA"
May 17; 6:00 p.m. - Pastor Juan sharing on his Israel/Palestine Trip