

uestra 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: Carmen 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.

"El diablo es mejor teólogo que cualquiera de nosotros y sigue siendo el diablo./ The devil is a better theologian than any of us and remains the devil."  
A.W. Tozer

**Mira con cuidado los planes que Dios tiñe para ti /  
Look carefully at the plans God has planned for you**

**Tiempo De Preparación / Preparation Time**

Oración de Apertura / Opening Prayer                      Coordinador / Leader  
Bienvenida / Welcome    Coordinador / Leader

**Alabemos y Adoremos Juntos / Praise and Adoration Together**

Líder de Alabanza Para Hoy                                      Leonard, David  
Cantos de Alabanzas - Celebración                      Grupo de Alabanza  
Singing of Praise - Celebration                              Worship Team  
Cantos de Adoración    Grupo de Alabanza  
Songs of Adoration    WorshipTeam  
Diezmos & Ofrendas / Tithes & Offerings              Coordinador / Leader

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

Predica / Sermon    Pastor JV Montes  
*Bendecidos para Ir / Blessed to Go*

Tiempo de Ministración - Peticiones / Time of Ministering & Praying  
Ujieres: Fernando Contreras, Guille Ibarra, Maxi Ambriz, Jesús Duran,  
Gerardo Aguilar.

**Hoy:**

5:00 p.m. Futbol hoy / Soccer today en el sport park  
6:00 p.m. Pastoral leadership conversation and prayer

**Reserve Estas Fechas:**

Octubre 31, 7:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles.  
Noviembre 2, 6:00 p.m. Dine Out  
Noviembre 2, 7:00 p.m. 1- Oración. 2- Alabanza - 3- Estudio Bíblico /  
También, Kid's Club. (traigan sus hijos a esta reunión.)  
Noviembre 3, 7:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos  
Noviembre 4, 8:00 p.m. -2:00 a.m. "Vigilia" (Salón Social)

**EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

**Sunday, October / Octubre 30**

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  
6:00 p.m. Pastoral Leadership Congregational Conversation

**Monday, October / Octubre 31**

7:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles

**Tuesday, November / Noviembre 1**

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

**Wednesday, November / Noviembre 2**

6:00 p.m. Dine Out  
7:00 p.m. Oración y Estudio Bíblico para Adultos  
7:00 p.m. "Bethel" PIM Young Adults  
7:00 p.m. Kids Club  
7:00 p.m. MYF  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

**Thursday, November / Noviembre 3**

7:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos

**Friday, November / Noviembre 4**

6:30 p.m. Education Committee Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Peace Centre

**Sunday, November / Noviembre 5**

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10/30/16-94/43

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

**9:30 a.m.**

*The Mission of God in a World of Complexity*

## **Celebrating our Diversity as We Walk with God**

### **Gathering for Worship**

Gathering Music David Boldt

*Le jardin suspendu* (Alain)

Welcome and Invocation Christine Moyer

The Beatitudes

*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them.*

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*

*Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.*

*Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*

*Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.*

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them.* (New English Bible)

Praising God in Song

*Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven!* WH 65

Scripture Reading

*Romans 15:1-13*

Music for Worship Joleen Siebert

*God is my Shepherd* (Dvorak)

### **Sharing with Each Other**

I've Known Blessings Glena Penner

Bringing our Tithes and Offerings

Sharing with Each Other

Morning Prayer Stephen Penner

Prayer Song

*By Gracious Powers* WH 552

### **Listening**

Time with our Children

Congregational Hymn

*Filled with the Spirit's Power* WH 289

Proclamation Clare Ann Ruth-Heffelbower

*Into the Wind, Against the Current, Up the Mountain*

### **Sending**

Sending Song

*Heart with Loving Heart United* WH 420

Benediction

Postlude

*Chaconne* (Couperin)

**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** A staffed, early childhood nursery is in Room 3 of the Education wing. An unstaffed infant nursery is in the back of the sanctuary.

**Welcome to Clare Ann!** Clare Ann Ruth-Heffelbower is no stranger to our church. She grew up here and today she returns again. Clare Ann serves the Pacific Southwest Mennonite Conference as our conference minister. Welcome, Clare Ann!

**Pastoral Evaluation Forms** The deacons are in the process of evaluating Pastor Steve for his next term of service. Today is the last Sunday to fill out an evaluation form. The forms are on the back table in the sanctuary. Please put them in the box on the table when completed.

**Pastoral Leadership Congregational Conversation and Prayer** The Board of Deacons is calling for a congregational gathering this evening to discuss and pray concerning pastoral leadership at our church into the future. This conversation will take place at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall this evening.

**Dine Out** The Reedley Peace Centre is sponsoring our congregational dine-out-at-church this Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. The featured menu item is meatloaf! Everyone is welcome! Come and enjoy!

**Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery** The “Doctrine of Discovery” is a philosophical and legal framework dating to the 15<sup>th</sup> century that gave Christian governments moral and legal rights to invade and seize indigenous lands and dominate Indigenous Peoples. Mennonite Community Church and Mennonite Peacemakers are sponsoring a couple of Sunday evening events to explore this further. This evening a presentation out of the Africa context will be offered by Sublime and Rachel Mabilia. This event will take place at Mennonite Community Church in Fresno at 7:00 p.m.

**Pursuing Peace in the Holy Land** West Coast MCC invites you to two special events on November 9 and 10. In partnership with Fresno Pacific University, West Coast MCC is hosting Dr. Alex Awad, former dean of Bethlehem Bible College, to hear stories of how people are working for peace in the Holy Land. On Wednesday, November 9, join us at 6:30 p.m. in the Steinert Center to watch the film *O Little Town of Bethlehem*. This film documents the collaborative efforts of a Christian, Muslim, and Jew all working for peace. Afterwards, Dr Awad will respond to questions. On Thursday, November 10, at 7 p.m., Dr. Awad will be sharing at the FPU Missiology Forum on the topic *Living as Faithful Minority: Lessons from the Palestinian Christians*. This takes place in the B.C. Lounge.

**Haiti Relief** Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) welcomes donations of money for its disaster response in Haiti, where people are suffering the effects of Hurricane Matthew, which crossed the country Oct. 4. Matthew's high winds and extensive flooding caused significant damage and increased already heightened cholera concerns in the Artibonite Valley, where MCC's long-term reforestation program operates. To donate, visit [mcc.org/hurricane-matthew](http://mcc.org/hurricane-matthew); call 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501.

**MCC Relief Kits** MCC has a significant need for relief kits. The Mission and Service Committee invites you to make a kit. These kits are shipped to places of need around the world. In recent times, kits have been sent to Iraq, Syria, and Ukraine. They have been shared with Syrian refugees living in camps in Lebanon and Jordan. The kits can be delivered straight to West Coast MCC or brought to church. Here are the ingredients:

- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13–24 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (Some stores carry Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6–8 in)
- 1 fingernail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40 count, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18–24 count **thin** maxi)

**Our Condolences** David Kope of Reedley died on Wednesday, October 26. We extend our condolences to Belle and the entire Kope family.

**The Peace Lab Podcast** The Mennonite and the Peace and Justice Support Network are sponsoring a new podcast, “The Peace Lab Podcast.” You can find it at the PJSN website. The current podcast features Erica Littlewolf and discusses the Doctrine of Discovery, Standing Rock, Native Mennonite Ministries and more.

**Prayer Vine** Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton of Mennonite Mission Network use their gifts in music, education, and children’s and youth ministries in the programs of the Mennonite churches in Ecuador. Pray for them as they also serve as coordinators for partnerships with churches in Colombia and the United States.