

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: 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.

"Tu mente es una herramienta poderosa en las manos del alfarero. / Your mind is powerful tool in the hands of the potter."
J.V. Montes

**Mira con cuidado los planes que Dios tiñe para ti /
Look carefully at the plans God has planned for you**
Efesios 4:17-24

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 Mireles & Rubén Montes
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 Juan Montes
La Obra Mas Grande Dios #4 / *The Largest Work of God #4*

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

Hoy:

6:00 p.m. Futbol hoy / Soccer today en el Sports Park

Reserve Estas Fechas:

Septiembre 12, 7:00 p.m. Practica Alabanza Para Los Miercoles.
Septiembre 13, 7:00 p.m. Reunión "Relid"
Septiembre 14, 7:00 p.m 1- Oración. 2- Alabanza - 3- Estudio Bíblico /
También, Kid's Club. (traigan sus hijos a esta reunión.)
Septiembre 15, 7:00 p.m. Práctica Worship Team para los Domingos
Septiembre 18, 6:00 p.m. MCC Bolivia with Jordan Penner & Jenny Regier
Septiembre 20, 7:00 p.m. Reunión Concilio de la Iglesia
Septiembre 25, 6:00 p.m. Pastor Juan Montes hablando de Colombia

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September / Septiembre 11

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, September / Septiembre 12

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

Tuesday, September / Septiembre 13

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

Wednesday, September / Septiembre 14

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, September / Septiembre 15

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

Friday, September / Septiembre 16

6:30 p.m. Peace Center

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Primera Iglesia Menonita

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September / Septiembre 11, 2016

9:30 a.m.

The Mission of God in a World of Complexity

The Beatitudes -- 1

Gathering for Worship

Gathering Music Eleanor Friesen

Kum Ba Yah (Benke)

Welcome and Invocation Christine Moyer

The Beatitudes

*Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*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 filled.*

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

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

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

*Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Praising God in Song

Blessed Jesus at Your Word

WH 13

Oh For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

WH 81

Scripture Reading

Luke 18:10-14

Music for Worship Paul Buxman

Sharing with Each Other

I've Known Blessings

Bringing our Tithes and Offerings

Wondrous Love (Wood)

Sharing with Each Other

Morning Prayer Stephen Penner

Listening

Time with our Children

Prayer Hymn

Heal us Immanuel Here We Are

WH 375

Proclamation

The Poor in Spirit

Stephen Penner

Sending

Benediction

Sending Song

Blest Are they

SJ 94

Postlude

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.

Early Worship Service in the Fall Beginning today and continuing across the Fall Sundays, our early service will focus on the Beatitudes found in Matthew 5, the first verses of the Sermon on the Mount. Steve Penner will do most of the preaching in the Fall but we will have two special guest speakers during these months, Steve Ratzlaff on October 9 and Clare Ann Ruth-Heffelbower on October 30.

Upcoming Sunday Evenings Next Sunday evening, September 18, Jordan Penner and Jenny Regier will be sharing in the Fellowship Hall out of their three years with Mennonite Central Committee in Bolivia. This will take place at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. On the following Sunday evening, September 25, Pastor Juan Montes will talk about his sabbatical in Colombia this past summer. This too will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Adult Sunday School Classes in the Fall Several adult Sunday School classes meet on our campus every Sunday morning at 11:00 a.m. You are always welcome to join any class. Here are the classes and what they are studying in the Fall.

Koinonia Class: Beginning on September 11 the class is studying *Trouble I've Seen* by Drew Hart. The Koinonia Class meets in the church basement but is discussing a move to a more accessible location.

Fellowship Class: In September the class is finishing their current study of *Nonviolence: The History of a Dangerous Idea* by Mark Kurlansky. In October the topic will be *The Grief Process and Addiction* (e.g. *Kubler-Ross and Wilson-Schaef*) and will be taught by Jim Compton-Schmidt. In November the class will begin a study of *How to Read the Bible and Still be a Christian* by John Dominic Crossan. This class meets in Rooms 7 and 8.

Spanish Language Class This class is continuing their every other week pattern of studying *Dialoguemos* by Barry Bartel one week and focusing on Christian Formation the next week. The class meets in Room 5.

Encountering the Divine Along the Way: This class uses personal stories as a means of examining our faith. Paul and Ruth Buxman lead this class and it meets in Room 10.

Peace Center Friday, September 16, 6:30 p.m. Speaker: Sharat Lin, journalist, writes on global political economy and the Middle East. Topic: *Saudi Arabia: Oil, Labor, Migration, Jihadism and War*.

Prayer Vine Bishop Leonard Dow and Oxford Circle Mennonite Church in Philadelphia will host an African-American leadership gathering on Sept 16-17. Pray for the inspiration of God's Spirit as African-American Mennonite Association and Mennonite Mission Network collaborate to deepen relationships and respond to God's call to mission.

West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale Annual Meeting West Coast Mennonite Relief Sale is starting their 50th year of celebration. They would love to have you join them for their annual corporation meeting Monday, September 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the West Coast MCC office, 1010 'G' Street in Reedley. They have room for you to get involved with preparing for this historic event coming up April 7 & 8, 2017. They need your help in publicity coordinating, children's involvement, and with other areas of work. For information call Ken Willems, West Coast Relief Sale board chair at 559-439-5535.

Congregational Leadership and Ministry in the Face of Sexual Abuse

If you would like to take part in a webinar on "Congregational Leadership and Ministry in the Face of Sexual Abuse" please speak with Pastor Steve Penner. The webinar will be held this Thursday, September 15, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This webinar is sponsored by members of the Mennonite Church USA Panel on Sexual Abuse Prevention.

Choice Books of West Coast invites you to their Annual Fundraising Dinner to be held on Thursday, September 29 at Wedgewood Banquet Center in Fresno, starting at 6:15 PM. Marie Roberts Monville of Lancaster, PA area, whose husband shot 10 Amish schoolgirls and then committed suicide, will be our speaker. She will share how her faith in God propelled her into a new future she could not have ever imagined. To receive your complementary tickets, call Choice Books office at 638-1745 or email: info@wc.choicebooks.org *Deadline is September 19.*

MCC Relief Kits MCC has a significant need for relief kits. These kits are shipped to places of need around the world. 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)