



# Morning Worship

## March 15, 2026

Seeking to glorify God in all things through His son Jesus Christ.

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### Worship Service 10:30am

Metropolitan Baptist Church warmly welcomes our visitors today. If you are visiting with us, please fill out the card located in the pew/rack and place it in the offering plate so we can get to know you better.

Call to Gather	Great and Mighty	#129
Welcome / Announcements		Aaron Buchholz
Church in Confession		Josh Svaleson
Call to Worship		Psalm 34:1-8
Congregational Songs of Praise		Praise Team
Psalm Reading		Psalm 111
Church in Prayer		Josh Svaleson
Offering /Offertory		
	Children Dismissed for Children's Church	
Preparation Hymn		#568
	"May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"	
Scripture	Exodus 20:13;Matthew 5:21-26	
Message	Diagnosis Murder	Pastor Steve
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		Matthew 5:14-16

**For Your Convenience...**

**There is Nursery available for parents with small children.**  
**Thanks to this week's Volunteers - Kristen M, Arlette B., Jan F.**  
**Next Week's Volunteers - March 22 - Kristen M., Jon W., Ruth W.**  
**Children's Church Volunteer Today - Tess H.**

**Thank you for silencing your cell phones during the Worship Service.**  
**Quiet Bags are hanging in the library next to the video rack.**

## The Church in Prayer

**NCA Pastors and Ministries of the Week**  
**Calvary Baptist, Carrington, ND**  
 Keith (Colleen) Hurlbut, Lead Pastor, Brady (Alissa) Morgan, Student Pastor

**MBC Supported Missions**

**Mbingo Cancer Research Center Project (NAB in Cameroon)** - Access to radiation therapy is extremely limited in sub-Saharan Africa, and the majority of patients presenting with tumors can benefit from treatment with radiation. As part of the plan to develop a comprehensive cancer center, Mbingo Baptist Hospital is working to install a radiation therapy unit consisting of a large bunker containing two linear accelerators. The design of the bunker has been officially approved by the national radiation safety board of Cameroon, and a used linear accelerator has already been donated. In addition to the NAB, the CBC Health Services and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute at Harvard will be supporting the funding of the bunker.

**Chain of Love Homes, Brazil** - Chain of Love is an NAB partner organization in Brazil led by Telmo Camargo, Executive Director. Chain of Love operates a system of foster homes with house parents/caregivers who are committed to the integral care of the children and adolescents referred to them by protective measures of the Judiciary; providing a family environment, healthy development and a good quality of life.  
 For more information visit: [www.larcolmeia.com.br](http://www.larcolmeia.com.br)

**NAB Missionary of the Week**



**Geoff Hartt**  
**Executive Director of Hispanics for Christ**

Geoff Hartt leads Hispanics for Christ, which exists to plant Spanish-speaking churches and to train leaders for those churches. Hispanics for Christ provides vision casting, strategic planning, and coaching for church planters in the Americas. There are currently church planters in Argentina, Canada, Mexico, Paraguay, and the United States.

Pray for the ongoing efforts in church planting and leadership training throughout North and South America.  
 For more information go to: [hispanicsforchrist.org](http://hispanicsforchrist.org)

## Youth News

MBC Family & Friends:  
 Please consider hosting a  
**Youth Group Supper**  
 Sunday evenings, 5:00 - 7:30pm.  
 A schedule is posted on the  
 Youth Bulletin Board  
 for the opportunity to sign up.  
**Thank You!!**



**Upcoming Youth Events**

**Watch your emails for details**

**"Change to Make a Change"** The Youth Group Missions Donation Box is located in the back of the sanctuary. Drop your spare change or donations in the box to help us make a change in the world through missions; for future Youth Mission trips.  
*Every penny helps!! Thank You!! MBC Youth Group*

## Prayer & Praise Items

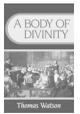
*"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."  
 Romans 12:12 ESV*

- Pray for **Cameroon** due to the civil unrest that continues. Pray for God to bring peace to the country.
- Pray for the **Russia-Ukraine** conflict. Pray for peace.
- Pray for **Israel, and the Middle East**. God's will be done. Pray for peace.
- Pray for the turmoil in **Minnesota**. Pray for wisdom, discernment, and safety for all.
- Pray for the **leadership** of our country, states, and cities. May they see their need for a Savior and seek Him!
- **Continue to pray for salvation** for all those we know who need the Lord; family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors.
- Continue in prayer for those in our church family, and others, facing health issues: **Morris Peterson, Arlene Franchuk, Sherry Buchholz, Gail Biby, Larry Crooks, Janet Kirsch, Rodney Kitzan, Linda Moser, Arlene Palm, Karen Parrott, Ron Parrott, Kevin Preston, Jacque Ulstad, Darlene Wahl, Bob Weier, Glenn Burrell, Steven Kieffer, and Joan Frey.** Pray for peace, comfort, continued strength, and healing in each of their circumstances.

### MBC Church Family Praise

- **Praise** that estimates for repair of the kitchen, gym and storage areas have been sent to insurance for review.
- **Praise** that **Darlene Wahl** is back home and doing better.

## Announcements



**Men's Reading Group**  
 Monday, March 16th - 6:30pm @ MBC  
 reading through **Thomas Watson's**  
***"A Body of Divinity"***

Our **Awana Club** annual **Awana Global Outreach (GO)** campaign raised \$2,138; including funds from the Missions Board. This will allow at least three African schools to obtain Awana curriculum and receive Awana training. Thank you to everyone for donating to such a worthy cause!!  
**MBC Awana Club**

**Upcoming Events at Park Christian School:**  
 - **Preview Days** - March 26, April 21, and May 7 - current 1st-11th graders can come shadow a student for the morning; 8:30-11:00 am  
 See postings on the entryway bulletin board for more details.

## Announcements Continued



Leaders and/or Listeners Needed - see Janet Kirsch



Join us for **AWANA Grand Prix**  
**May 6, 2026**  
Enjoy an evening of racing and fellowship  
Come and see the clubbers' creativity  
**Weigh-In at 6:00pm**  
**Races start at 6:45pm**

There are Registration Forms/Flyers from **Crystal Springs Baptist Camp** at the Resource Center for the following **2026 Winter Retreats:**  
**Winter SOULstice** - 6th - 8th Graders - **March 13th-15th**, reg. due 2/26



**Good Friday Service**  
Friday, April 3rd  
6:30 pm at Metropolitan Baptist Church

### MBC Quarterly Business Meeting

Tuesday, April 28th - 7:00pm

Requests for **Summer Camp Scholarships for Crystal Springs Camp** need to be turned in to the CE Board by **Sunday, April 26th**. Forms are available from the church office and should be placed in the CE mailbox in a sealed envelope.

**Thank you** for the kindness shown in providing meals for myself, Clayton and Nancy while we cared for Darlene in the hospital. We also appreciated all those who were able to visit her during her hospital stay. Most of all, we appreciate all your prayers for wisdom as we made decisions and continue to make decisions regarding her health and how best to care for her. **Claude Wahl & family!**

### Did you miss a sermon or would just like to listen to a sermon again?

Go to [www.mbcfargo.org](http://www.mbcfargo.org)>About Us>Sermons and select by the date to listen to a sermon. Bulletins are also available online!

**IN THE EVENT OF A CARDIAC EMERGENCY (HEART ATTACK) or LIFE THREATENING INJURY:** Metropolitan Baptist has an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) located in the back hallway across from the office door, and a Medical Oxygen & Trauma Kit. Also available in the kit: **Narcan**, for Opioid Overdose Emergencies. **Call 911**, and then locate these items to administer medical care until help arrives. The AED uses simple voice commands and can quickly restore proper heart rhythm to save a life when seconds count!



## This Week

### Today

**9:15 am Fellowship**  
**9:30 am Sunday School**  
**10:30 am Morning Worship**

### Monday, March 16

6:45pm Ladies Bible Study  
6:30pm Men's Reading Group

### Tuesday, March 17

1pm Ladies Bible Study  
6:30pm Deacon Board Mtg

### Wednesday, March 18

No Awana (Spring Break)

## Metropolitan Staff

Jack Blueel Senior Pastor  
Steve Burrell Associate Pastor  
Nancy Harsch Worship Coordinator  
Neal & Erica Anderson Youth Coordinators  
Sue Mavis Administrative Assistant  
Sue's Office Hours: Tues.-Fri 8:30am-3:00pm

## Attendance & Giving

Avg. Attendance for March	99
Amount Needed Weekly	\$5,820
March 1, 2026	\$9649
Online Week Of 03-01-2026	\$1307
March 8, 2026	\$4305
Online Week of 03-08-2026	\$1002

### Are you continuing to read the MBC Evangelism & Outreach Minutes?

Watch your email, weekly on Tuesday mornings, for an inspiring, short thought to motivate and enhance your witness. "One Thing You Can't Do In Heaven . . ."

## Upcoming Events

### March 2026

13-15 - Winter SOULstice @ CSBC  
17- Deacon Board Meeting  
29 - Colloquium with Pastor Jack

### April 2026

3 - Good Friday Service  
5 - Communion  
No Sunday School  
7- O&E Board Meeting  
10-11 - Crafting Weekend @ MBC  
12 - MBC Prays  
14- Board Meetings  
28 - Quarterly Business Meeting  
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Morning Prayer - 9am - Chapel  
Next Meeting March 29, 2026

## Recognitions

### Birthdays

Shiela Nitschke (Friday)

### Friend of the Week

Andi Webber

### Caring Person for March

LeAnn Burrell

## 2:42 Groups

| March          |         |          |
|----------------|---------|----------|
| Thurs. Mar. 19 | 6:00pm  | Wolff    |
| Sun. Mar. 15   | 12:30pm | Svaleson |
| Sun. Mar. 15   | 12:30pm | Burrell  |

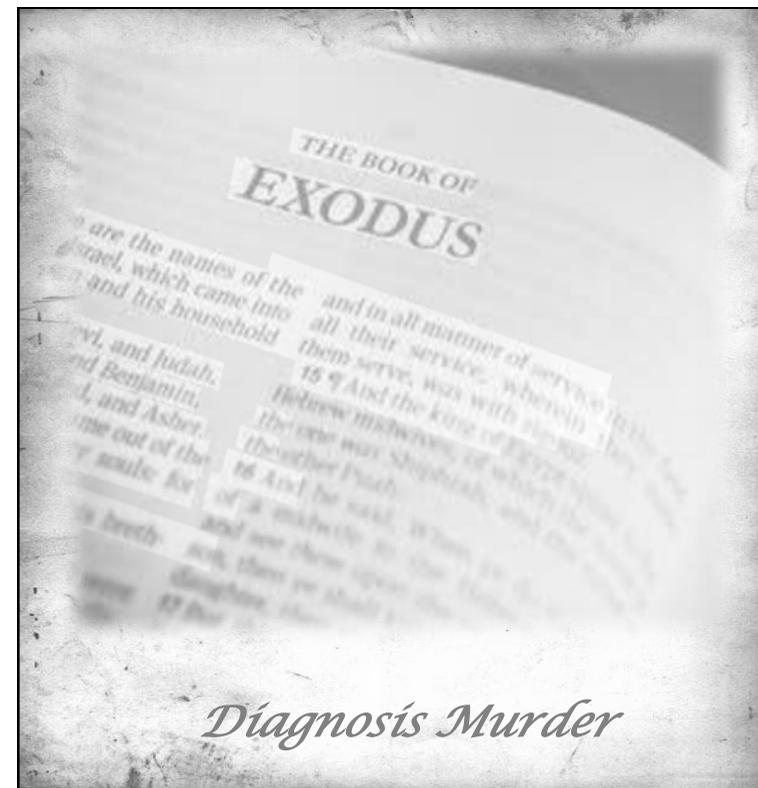


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*Diagnosis Murder*

*Exodus 20:13*

*Matthew 5:21-26*



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