



Morning Worship

August 17, 2025

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

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 Are You, Lord”	#159
Welcome / Announcements	Aaron Buchholz	
Church in Confession	Josh Svaleson	
Call to Worship	Revelation 19:11-16	
Congregational Songs of Praise	Praise Team	
Psalm Reading	Psalm 84	
Church in Prayer	Pastor Steve	
Offering /Offertory		
Preparation Hymn	“Find Us Faithful”	#456
Scripture	Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:1-3	
Message	A Command with a Promise	Pastor Steve
Closing Song	Praise Team	
Benediction	Deuteronomy 6:5-7	


For Your Convenience...
There is Nursery available for parents with small children.
Thanks to this week’s Volunteers - Sue M., Jennifer K., Jady N F.
Next Week’s Volunteers - August 24 - Arlette B., Janet & Ellie M.
No Children’s Church for the Summer Months
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
First Baptist, Hebron, ND
David (Patty) Ling, Pastor

MBC Supported Missions
Crystal Springs Baptist Camp - This camp combines both good clean fun with sound Christian teaching in a beautiful lake side setting. Located 65 miles east of Bismarck, Crystal Springs is an oasis in the midst of North Dakota's gently rolling plains. It was founded in 1954 with a special purpose in mind: Present the love of Jesus Christ to all who attend, and invite each to have a personal relationship with Him.

NAB Missionary of the Week
Emerson & Meybel Cardona
Tabernáculo Bíblico Bautista Burlington in Burlington, Ontario
Tabernáculo Bíblico Bautista Burlington, affectionately referred to as Taber Burlington, is a new, Spanish-speaking church plant coming out of an NAB church in Kitchener, Ontario, Tabernáculo Biblico Bautista Nueva Jerusalén, or Taber Kitchener. Emerson and Meybel moved to Burlington specifically to start this new congregation. The beginning of July marked the one-year anniversary celebration since the church first opened.
Pray for this young church plant as they seek to reach their community.
For more information go to: taberbiblico.com



Youth News



SUNDAY NIGHT AFTER CHURCH

Upcoming Youth Events

August 24th - at church - 5:00 - 7:30 pm
(also September 3rd and 24th)

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


“Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.”
Colossians 4:2 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**. God’s will be done. Pray for peace and rebuilding.
- Pray for the **leadership** of our country, state, and city. 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, John Buegel, Larry Crooks, Arlene Palm, Karen Parrott, Ron Parrott, Kevin Preston, Jacque Ulstad, Darlene Wahl, Waltraut Wolff, Elmer Ackerman, Glenn Burrell, Steven Kieffer, and Joan Frey.** Pray for peace, comfort, continued strength, and healing in each of their circumstances.
- Continue in prayer for the families and rescue workers affected by the severe **flooding in Texas** last month.


MBC Church Family Praise

- Praise for those who attended **“Bible in the Park”** VBS last week. Pray that their hearts and minds were opened to the message of the gospel that was presented.

Announcements

“Mondays in the Summer”
Men’s Reading Group
Next Meeting - Monday, August 25 - 6:30pm
reading through J.I. Packer’s book, **“A Quest For Godliness.”** 
Chapter 10
The group will not meet August 18th - due to Pastor Jack’s absence

2025 All-Church Picnic, sponsored by WMF
Today - August 17th, 5 - 8pm
Lindenwood Park, Fargo - Rotary Shelter
Each family is asked to bring a *main dish* to share
Families **A-K** bring a **salad**, **L-Z** bring a **dessert**
Tableware and drinks will be provided 



 **MBC Prays** is looking for **additional** pray-ers. A sign-up sheet is at the Resource Center with your preference of a one hour time slot. Please sign up so we know who to get helpful prayer booklets to!
The new year starts **September 12th.**


Announcements Continued

Park Christian School is a growing, thriving K-12 Christian school serving over 600 students. We are looking for passionate, motivated teachers and professionals to join our expanding staff in our mission “to equip students to think biblically, live wisely, and serve faithfully.” Visit the website at <https://www.parkchristianschool.org/about/employment> for details and application.

White Cross: Susan Ray-Degges is looking to schedule a Fall White Cross Work Day. Stay tuned!

For any new Volunteers (18 years or older) with the Children’s Ministries at MBC - Nursery, Sunday School, Children’s Church, AWANA, VBS, etc. . . . Please obtain a **Children and Youth Protection Policy**, read through it, complete the **Volunteer Application form**, and give it directly to Pastor Jack. For those who have previously submitted an application form, we ask that you review the policy, fill out **only the authorization for renewal** of the background check, and give it directly to Pastor Jack. Policies and Forms are available at the Resource Center, as well as a check list for reviewing the Policy. Thank you
(if you fill out your form while Pastor Jack is gone, please put it in an envelope provided and give to either Pastor Steve or Sue Mavis)





AWANA Registration
August 27th ~ 6:30 - 8 pm ~ MBC Gym
The first night of AWANA ~ September 3rd
6-6:25pm - Check-in
6:25pm - Club Begins
Registration Forms available at the Resource Center


Leaders Needed: for T&T or Trek programs - see Janet Kirsch

Fall Sunday School Kick-Off, September 7th
Please join us for breakfast at 9:15am in the Gym-Fellowship Hall (No SS)
There is a sign-up sheet at the Resource Center to volunteer to bring food for the Kick-Off Breakfast

SAVE THE DATE - 2025 Women’s Retreat @ Crystal Springs Baptist Camp
September 19th - 21st ~ Friday, 3:00pm - Sunday, 1:15pm
Registrations are due by September 5th
More details and sign up in the coming weeks

Save the Date - 2025 MBC Men’s Retreat @ CSBC
Friday & Saturday, September 26th & 27th
More details and sign up in the coming weeks

The **Saturday Mission Conference Project** for 2025 is to have a Baby Shower for **The Perry Center**. The goal is to fill **10** diaper bags to give to the moms at the center. There will be a list of items for people to choose from to purchase. We will meet Sat. morning, Oct. 11th to fill the diaper bags with the donated items. More details in the coming weeks. **Thanks - MBC Mission Board**



Do you anticipate extra garden produce? A box can be found in the church entryway, so that others can share in your bounty!
Plan on helping others in need with your harvest this season.
Thank you, from your Evangelism & Outreach Board

This Week

Today
9:15 am Fellowship
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship
5:00 pm All-Church Picnic

Monday, August 18
No ‘Mondays in the Summer’

Metropolitan Staff

Jack Blueel Senior Pastor
Steve Burrell Pastor of Outreach & Evang.
Nancy Harsch Worship Coordinator
Neal & Erica Anderson Youth Coordinators
Sue Mavis Administrative Assistant
Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-3:00pm

Attendance & Giving

Avg. Attendance for August	94
Amount Needed Weekly	\$6,115
August 3, 2025	\$5,996
Online week of 8-3-2025	\$20
August 10, 2025	\$3,518
Online week of 8-10-2025	\$20

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 . . .”

2:42 Groups

Sign Up Sheets available at the Table in the Foyer

September		
Thurs., Sept. 4	6:00pm	Wolff
Sun., Sept. 14	12:30pm	Burrell
Sun., Sept. 28	12:30pm	Svaleson

Upcoming Events

August 2025
17 - All-Church Picnic
27 - AWANA Registration
31 - No Sunday School
September 2025
1 - Labor Day
2 - O&E Board Meeting
3 - AWANA Begins
7 - Fall SS Kickoff Breakfast (No Sunday School)
7 - Communion
7 - Colloquium with Pastor Jack
9 - Trustee Board Meeting
11 - Deacon Board Meeting
12 - MBC Prays
14 - Fall SS Classes Begin

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Morning Prayer - 9am - Chapel  
Next Meeting September 28, 2025


### Recognitions

**Birthdays**  
Anders Kost (Today)  
Brennan Kost (Today)  
Jared Mavis (Today)  
Sue Mavis (Tuesday)  
Evangeline Svaleson (Wednesday)  
Eddison Mavis (Saturday)

**Family of the Week**  
Larry & Camille Heuer

**Caring Person for August**  
Sue Mavis

Pastor Jack will be Out of the Office through Tuesday, August 19




## Metropolitan Baptist Church

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*“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you.”*

*Exodus 20:12 NASB*



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*Ephesians 6:1-3*  
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