

Morning Worship October 12, 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 "Rise Up. O Church of God" #433

Welcome / Announcements Pastor Steve **Evangelism Moments**

Church in Confession Josh Svaleson

Call to Worship John 1:1-5

Congregational Songs of Praise Praise Team

Psalm 90 Psalm Reading

Church in Prayer Pastor Jack

Offering /Offertory

Children Dismissed for Children's Church

#429 **Preparation Hymn**

"They'll Know We Are Christians"

John 17:13-19 Scripture

Message Aaron Buchholz

The Features of Mission

Closing Song Praise Team

Hebrews 12:2 Benediction

For Your Convenience... There is Nursery available for parents with small children. Thanks to this week's Volunteers - Arlette B., LeAnn B., Willow M. Next Week's Volunteers - October 19 - Nancy H., Jared & Kristen M. **Children's Church Volunteer Today - Tess Hotchkiss** 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 **NCA Executive Board**

James Schnabel, Moderator: Chris Hoke, RLT Representative. Rick Cook, Recording Secretary.; Tony Neu, Treasurer; Peggy Bettenhausen, Keith Hurlbut, Jeremy, Nelson, Members at Large: Dwight Enockson, Scholarship Fund; Randy Jaspers, Regional Minister

MBC Supported Missions

Hockey Camp - HMI - Metropolitan was the first church to bring a 5 day HMI Christian Hockey camp to Fargo in 2007. Hockey Ministries International does over 30 camps each summer around the world for boys and girls ages 9-17 using former and current pros from the NHL and University levels as on-ice coaches. The 2025 Camp was held June 22-27, in Bemidji, MN at the Bemidji Community Arena. These camps are a great tool for evangelism, as church youth bring friends for excellent training and a most excellent gospel message from the pros. To find out more information or help support this unique ministry, go online to www.hockeyministries.org

Jail Chaplains - "Restoring lives to the community with the love and compassion of Jesus Christ." Jail Chaplains' mission is to provide inmates with spiritual guidance and support by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ; encouraging the inmates to grow in Christ; helping bridge the gap between the inmate and their family, and a local church, and to assist and help in practical ways, to encourage and help their graduates in a positive spiritual journey with Jesus Christ. For more information see their website at www.jailchaplains.com

NAB Missionary of the Week



Jim & Heather Meyers Simple Seeds in Orangevale, California

Jim and Heather are bi-vocational micro-church planters. They have served with Wycliffe Bible translators for nearly thirty years and continue to make two to three trips a year to Indonesia to work with an Indonesian Bible trans-

lation organization. Simple Seeds, their micro-church, began meeting this past February. Pray for patience as they wait on the Lord, for listening to the Spirit's leading, to grow as shepherds, and for more people in their spheres of influence to desire to be like Jesus and do so in community with them.

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 ~

Today - 12th - Missions Conference

October 26th - 5:00 - 7:30pm - at Church

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. Thank You!! MBC Youth Group Every penny helps!!

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, Larry Crooks, Arlene Palm, Karen Parrott, Ron Parrott, Kevin Preston, Jacque Ulstad, Darlene Wahl, Waltraut Wolff, Elmer Ackerman, Tammy Bluel, Glenn Burrell, Steven Kieffer, and Joan Frey. Pray for peace, comfort, continued strength, and healing in each of their circumstances.
- Continue in prayer for those affected by recent tragedies: flooding in Texas, hurricanes on the east coast, school shootings, the police shootings in Pennsylvania, and Charlie Kirk's assassination.
- Pray for the MBC's Fall Activities: AWANA, new Sunday School classes, Bible Studies, Mission Conference, Holiday Food For Families . . . **MBC Church Family Praise**
- Tammy Bluel's arm is healing as it should, and does not require surgery.

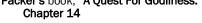
Announcements

October - Pastor Appreciation Month has been set aside for congregation members to prayerfully reflect on the many blessings bestowed on them including the spiritual guidance, godly leadership, inspiration, and encouragement provided by their pastoral staff and their families. Please take an opportunity this month to show your appreciation to each of your dedicated Pastoral Staff: Pastors Jack and Steve. From Your Deacon Board

1 Tim 5:17 (NKJV) Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine.

"Mondays in the Summer"

Men's Reading Group Monday, October 13th - 6:30pm reading through J.I. Packer's book, "A Quest For Godliness."



Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study beginning Sept. 15th @ MBC 6:45-8:15pm - Bible Study based on the book "Job: A Story of Unlikely Joy" by Lisa Harper

Tuesday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study - Fall 2025 1:00-2:30pm at MBC, began September 9th Studying Margaret Feinberg's "The God You Need to Know"

Announcements Continued



Leaders and/or Listeners Needed: for Trek - see Janet Kirsch

2025 Missions Conference

Sunday, October 12th

* 9:30am - Preschool - Regular Sunday School Class K-5th - with CEF

Jr. & Sr. High, & Adults - with Shan Reed

- * 10:30am Aaron Buchholz speaking during Morning Worship,
- * 12:00 noon Pot Luck Lunch for all and the Missionaries

Each family is asked to bring a main dish to share families A-K bring a Dessert, families M-Z bring a Salad

* 6:10pm - Missionary Speaker - Nate Douglas, Perry Center

The Mission Board requests that every family bring 2 dozen bars or cookies to serve during the conference weekend.

CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES (CEF) AND NURSERY AVAILABLE EACH EVENING ** Please sign up your children for the CEF sessions at the Resource Center ** ~~ Please check the Missions Conference Booklet for more details ~~

**Thank you in advance for your generous conference offerings which will be shared among the conference participants **

Perry Center Annual Fall Fundraiser

Monday, October 13th - 7pm, doors open at 6:30pm Hilton Garden Inn - 4351 17th Ave. S., Fargo Guest Speaker - Kim Elliot



Quarterly Business Meeting - Tuesday, October 21st, 7pm Elections, 2026 Budget,

Vote on proposed changes to MBC Constitution; regarding Associate Pastor position See the posting on the bulletin board in the entry A Sample Ballot is posted on the bulletin board in the entry Copies of 2025 YTD Financial Report/2026 Budget available @ Resource Center

Child Evangelism Fellowship 2025 Vision Dinner

Thursday, October 23rd - doors open @ 6pm - Meal provided Sanctuary Events Center - 670 4th Ave. N., Fargo "Focusing on the Next Generation" - Message by John Luck, VP CEF USA

2025 NCA Annual Meeting - Saturday, October 25th

Immanuel Baptist, Beulah, ND

Speaker: Merv Budd, NAB Missional Initiatives Team member "Rethinking Evangelism"

Information and Registration packets are available at the Resource Center

"A Christmas Gathering" -

2025 Christmas Cantata Adults & Children

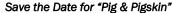


Practices will begin October 25th ~ 10 am The program will be December 14th.

Please let Nancy Harsch know if you are interested in participating.

Ladies of MBC ~ Save the Dates ~ November 7th & 8th MBC Crafting Event ~ 4pm - 4pm





Calling all men and boys, fathers and sons... Saturday, November 8th at MBC noon to 5pm - For Football, Food & Fun - NDSU vs UND More details coming soon





Today

12am-11:59 pm MBC Prays

9:15 am Fellowship

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Morning Worship

6:10 pm Missions Conference

Monday, October 13

6:30pm 'Mondays in the Summer' 6:45pm Ladies Bible Study 7 pm Perry Center Fundraiser

Tuesday, October 14

1:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, October 15

6-6:25 pm Awana Check-in 6:25-8:10 pm Awana

Thursday, October 16

Jail Chaplains Fundraiser

Friday - Sunday, October 17-19

Sr. High Retreat @ CSBC

Metropolitan Staff

Jack Bluel 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 October	108
Amount Needed Weekly	\$6,115
September 28, 2025	\$6,017
Online week of 9-28-2025	\$1.619
October 5, 2025	\$12,188
Online week of 10-5-2025	\$49

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

October 2025

12 - MBC Prays

12 - Missions Conference

13 - Perry Center Fundraiser

16 - Jail Chaplains Fundraiser 17-19 - Sr. Hi. Fall Retreat @ CSBC

21 - Quarterly Business Meeting

23 - CEF Vision Dinner

25 - NCA Annual Meeting

25 - Cantata Practices Begin

31-Nov. 2 - Crafting Weekend @ CSBC

November 2025

2 - Communion

4 - O&E Board Meeting

7-8 - MBC Crafting Event

8 - Pig & Pigskin

Morning Prayer - 9am - Chapel Next Meeting October 26, 2025

Recognitions

Birthdays

Claude Wahl (Tuesday) James Taylor (Thursday)

Member of the Week

Lynn Iverson

Caring Person for October LoRae Rakoczy

2:42 Groups

October	
6:00pm	Wolff
12:30pm	Burrell
12:30pm	Svaleson
	6:00pm 12:30pm



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John 17:13-19



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