Morning Worship
October 18, 2026

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	"All the Glory Belongs to Jesus"	#172
Welcome / Announcements		Aaron Buchholz
Church in Confession		Clayton Harsch
Call to Worship		Ephesians 1:3-23
Congregational Songs of Praise		Praise Team
Psalm Reading		Psalm 131
Church in Prayer		Pastor Jack
Offering /Offertory		

Children Dismissed for Children's Church

Preparation Hymn		#408

"How Firm A Foundation"

Scripture		Romans 8:31-39
Message		Pastor Jack

5 Great Questions About Our Eternal Security

Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

For Your Convenience...
There is Nursery available for parents with small children.
Thanks to this week's Volunteers -Myndi F., Ruth W., Gideon W.
Next Week's Volunteers -October 25- Jennifer K., Myndi F., Ethan F..
Children's Church Volunteer Today - Pasty S.
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
Washburn Baptist, Washburn, ND: Seeking a Pastor;
Rod (Daylene) Poppinga, interim

MBC Supported Missions

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North Central Association - The North Central Association is composed of all organized and recognized North American Baptist Churches in the northern part of South Dakota, all of North Dakota and eastern Montana. There are currently 31 churches that belong to the North Central Association. The NCA exists to infuse every community with the Gospel of Jesus Christ ...as healthy churches….with well trained leaders…. through cooperative ministry projects. Randy Jaspers serves as the Regional Minister.
Visit http://npregion.org for more info.

NAB Missionary of the Week
Paulo Réquia
NAB Global Mission Partners in Romania A
Paulo is a Brazilian national who is married to NAB missionary Lyndell Campbell Réquia. He serves with Teach Beyond with the purpose of changing lives and poor communities through
transformational education by providing a solid Christian
foundation for their faith as well as teaching skills to help better their quality of life. Pray for the upcoming Neurodivergent Camp in November. They have more than doubled the number of campers from their first camp last year. Pray particularly for more volunteers, especially men.
For more information go to: nabonmission.org/global-mission-partners

Youth News

Upcoming Youth Events

30th-31st - Youth Group Fundraiser - Youth Group Bazaar & Garage Sale
The Youth Group will be having a Garage Sale/Bazaar to raise funds for their upcoming Missions Trip in 2027. Rooms 206 and 208 have tables set up for receiving Garage Sale items. Please keep big items at your residence until Thursday, October 29th.

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November 15th- Operation Christmas Child packing @ MBC - 5-7:30pm

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 **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.
- Pray for **Perry Kallis,** Pastor Steve and LeAnn's brother-in-law, his brain cancer has returned and he has been given less than a month to live. Pray for healing and for the family as they prepare for the future.

• Continue in prayer for those in our church family, and others, facing health issues: **Morris Peterson, Arlene Franchuk, Sherry Buchholz, Kevin Preston, Gail Biby, Janet Kirsch, Arlene Palm, Ron Parrott, Darlene Wahl, and Joan Frey.** Pray for peace, comfort, continued strength, and healing in each of, their circumstances.

MBC Church Family Praise
● Praise that the kitchen cabinets and countertops have been installed.

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

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

Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study
6:45-8:15pm @ MBC- Bible Study based on the book
"Colossians: Rooted in Hiim" by The Daily Grace Co

Tuesday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study
1:00-2:30pm at MBC
Studying Kelly Minter's book:
"NEHEMIAH: a heart that can break"
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Announcements Continued

AWANA -Wednesday Evenings
Check-In: 6-6:25pm Club Begins: 6:25pm

Quarterly Business Meeting - Tuesday, October 20th, 7pm
Elections & 2027 Budget
A Sample Ballot is posted on the bulletin board in the entry
Copies of 2026 YTD Financial Report/2027 Budget available @ Resource Center

Child Evangelism Fellowship 2026 Vision Dinner
Thursday, October 22 - Doors open at 6pm - Meal provided
Sanctuary Events Center- 670 4th Ave N., Fargo
Message by Neil Wockenfuss
RSVP by October 8th at ceffm.org

Carrie Preston would like to invite the church to join her on **Saturday, October 24th from 4-8pm in the MBC gym**. She will be celebrating her 50th birthday. She asks that you please **RSVP by Monday, October 19th**.

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped with our annual Mission Conference and generously supported the participating missionaries with total gifts of $6,050 being received in the offerings. We were blessed by their presence and presentations and learned so much from each of them. To God be the Glory as we continue to pray for their ministries.

Your Mission Board,
Aleksia Anderson, Ruth Wolhart, and Ron Degges

Upcoming Event at Park Christian School:
- **Preview Day - November 11** - current 1st-11th graders can come spend part of a day and see for yourself if Park Christian is the place for you.
8:30-11:00 am
See postings on the entryway bulletin board for more details.

Park Christian School is also currently looking for its next **President**. If you know someone who might be a great fit, please share this opportunity with them or help us spread the word!

Learn more about the President opportunity and how to apply:
https://slingshotgroup.org/jobs/park-christian-school-president/

This Week

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

Monday, October 19
6:30pm Men's Reading Group
6:45pm Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, October 20
1:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
7:00 pn Quarterly Business Mtg

Wednesday, October 21
6-6:25 pm Awana Check-in
6:25-8:10 pm Awana

Thursday, October 22
6pm CEF Vision Dinner

Friday, October 23-25
Senior High Fall Retreat @ CSBC

Saturday, October 24
4-8pm Carrie Preston Birthday Party

Sunday, October 25
7:30pm C.E. Board Meeting

Metropolitan Staff

Jack Bluel	Senior Pastor
Steve Burrell	Associate Pastor
Nancy Harsch	Worship Coordinator
Neal & Erica Anderson	Youth Coordinators
Tess Hotchkiss	Administrative Assistant

Tess's Office Hours: Tues.-Fri 8:30am-3:00pm

Attendance & Giving

Avg. Attendance for October	110
Amount Needed Weekly	$5,820
October 4, 2026	$11,286
Online Week of 10-04-2026	$80
October 11, 2026	$3,490
Online Week of 10-11-2026	$1,225

Upcoming Events

October
20- Quarterly Business Meeting
22- CEF Vision Dinner
23-25 Senior High Camp @CSBC
24- Carrie Preston Birthday Party
25- C.E. Board Meeting
30-31 Youth Missions Trip
Bazaar/Garage Sale

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Morning Prayer - 9am - Chapel
Next Meeting October 25, 2026

Recognitions

Birthdays
No Birthdays for this Week

Family of the Week
TJ, Jennifer, & Grace Kastl

Caring Person for October
Margaret Ptacek

2:42 Groups

	October	
Thurs., Oct. 29	6:00pm	Wolff
Sun., Nov. 1	12:30pm	Burrell
Sun., Nov. 1	12:30pm	Svaleson/ Wolhart

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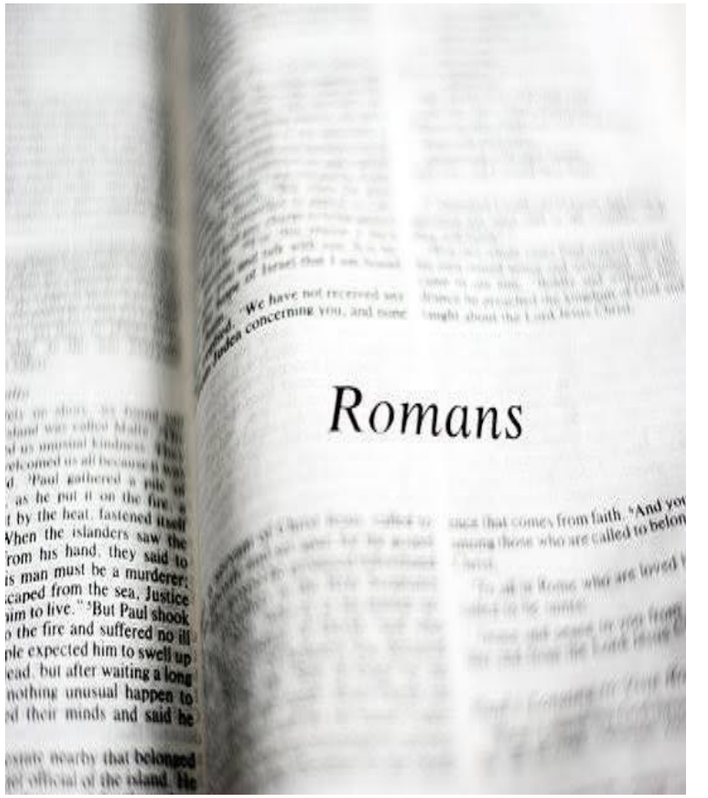

Romans 8:31-39

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