



Morning Worship

November 9, 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	"Give Thanks"	#170
Welcome / Announcements		
Mission Moments	Pastor Steve Ron Degges	
	Fellowship of Christian Athletes video	
Church in Confession		Bill Savage
Call to Worship		I Chronicles 16:31-34
Congregational Songs of Praise		Praise Team
Psalm Reading		Psalm 94
Church in Prayer		Pastor Jack
Offering /Offertory		Children Dismissed for Children's Church
Preparation Hymn		#786
	"Count Your Blessings"	
Scripture		Psalm 100
Message		Pastor Jack
Closing Song		Praise Team
Benediction		I Thessalonians 5:16-18, 23

For Your Convenience...

There is Nursery available for parents with small children.

Thanks to this week's Volunteers - Sue M., Heldur & Kathy H.

Next Week's Volunteers - November 16 - Arlette B., Jennifer K., Jadyn F.

Children's Church Volunteer Today - Jared Mavis

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, Valley City, ND

Les Koenig, Pastor

MBC Supported Missions

Rick & Debbie Bardin (NAB Cameroon): Rick and Debbie serve at Mbingo Baptist Hospital in Bamenda, Cameroon. Rick is a board-certified medical doctor in Internal Medicine and Pathology, and Debbie is a staff nurse. Praise God that the Pathology Lab, where Rick works, recently hired two new staff, who are being trained, and purchased new equipment to facilitate faster turnaround on pathology slides. Pray the patients at Mbingo to be able to get to the hospital for the care they need and for the light of Christ be evident to all.

For more information go to: nabonmission.org/missionaries/dr-rick-debbie-bardin

Baptist Health Care Center, Bismarck, ND Pray for Baptist Health Care Center; who has provided care to their residents for over 75 years. Uphold the 140 residents who either have skilled nursing, rehab or memory care needs. Pray for the staff: Administrator, Deanna Berg; Chaplains, Merle Hoots and Don Schmidt; Director of Nursing, unknown at this time; Business Administrator, Fern Lindteigen; and the other 250 staff who look after the needs of the residents.



NAB Missionary of the Week

Micah and Rebecca Brookhart

Garden City Church in Prince George, British Columbia

Planting out of College Heights Baptist Church, Garden City officially launched in September 2024, and they are already seeing stories of God's redemption and renewal at work in the lives of people. There is a great influx of new believers and unbelievers coming to Garden City regularly; a large percentage of those who call Garden City home are those who have recently come to faith.

Pray effective discipleship for new believers and for discernment as they seek to identify leaders from within the church to serve as elders.

For more information go to: www.thegardencitychurch.ca

Youth News

MBC Family & Friends:
Please consider hosting a
Youth Group Supper
Sunday evenings, 5:00 - 7:30pm.
And/or ... To provide a course for the
Christmas Progressive Dinner - Dec. 13th
A schedule is posted on the
Youth Bulletin Board
for the opportunity to sign up.
Thank You!!



~ Upcoming Youth Events ~

 
November 16th
Operation Christmas Child Box Packing
5:00 - 7:30 pm at MBC
Hosted by the Degges'
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

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people."
I Timothy 2:1 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.
- Pray for the **MBC's Upcoming Activities**: OCC Box Packing, Holiday Food For Families, Gingerbread House Building, Women's Christmas Dinner, Christmas Cantata . . .
- **MBC Church Family Praise**
- **Praise** for the release of the hostages in the Middle East.

Announcements

"Mondays in the Summer (Fall)"

Men's Reading Group

Next Meeting - Monday, November 17th - 6:30pm

reading through J.I. Packer's book, "A Quest For Godliness."

Chapter 18



Operation Christmas Child Packing will be November 16th (Youth Group only) If you plan to donate items or resources, please bring them to the church no later than the morning of November 16th. The idea lists for buying items are posted in the hallway to the offices, and are available at the Resource Center. Questions? Contact Susan Ray-Degges.

Save the Date - Gingerbread House Building

- Everyone is invited!! Sunday evening, Dec. 7th, 5:00pm, Fellowship Hall/Gym

Please bring building tools and candy, etc. to share for decorating If you would like to help provide food for the dinner; soup, sandwiches, etc.,

There is a sign up available at the Resource Center

Blueprints are also available at the Resource Center



Ladies of MBC - **Save the Date** - Monday evening, December 8th for the **Annual Women's Christmas Dinner and Secret Sister Reveal**

More details coming soon!



Announcements Continued



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

"A Christmas Gathering" Christmas Cantata
Practices have begun for this year's Christmas program.
Everyone is welcome to participate - children and adults!!



Practices will be held:
November 15th, & 22nd, and December 6th & 13th
The Program will be **December 14th, 5:30pm**
Practices will begin at 10am, unless otherwise announced.

Holiday Food for Families: Through the month of November, the Outreach and Evangelism Board would like to provide a turkey, vegetables and a dessert for approximately 15 of our former Angel Food customers, some current church families, and your nominated families, to bless them this holiday season. You can help in a number of ways:



1. Sign up to buy & store a 10-12 lb. turkey until needed in early December (wait until November sales).
2. Sign up to buy & store 2 large bags of either frozen corn, carrots or green beans until needed.
3. Sign up to buy & store a fresh or frozen Pumpkin or Apple pie until needed.

~~~ Sign up sheet is available at the Resource Center ~~~



### Holiday Food for Families Canned Food Drive!

Please help us gather non-perishable foods such as canned vegetables, fruits, soups, and boxed items to be given in our Holiday Food Boxes December 6th. Place them in the box available in the foyer by December 3rd. Cases or Bulk items also accepted. Thank You!

### 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.

**Praise & Worship Christmas Dinner/Party** - for those involved in the Worship Ministry, hosted by Clayton & Nancy Harsch, Tuesday, December 16th, 6-9pm, at their home in West Fargo.  
See your email for details, and RSVP by December 10th.

**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, November 10

6:45 pm Ladies Bible Study

### Tuesday, November 11

1:00 pm Ladies Bible Study  
6:00 pm Trustee Board Mtg.  
6:30 pm Deacon Board Mtg.

### Wednesday, November 12

12am - 11:59 pm MBC Prays  
6:25 pm Awana Check-in  
6:25-8:10 pm Awana

### Saturday, November 15

10 am Cantata Practice

## Metropolitan Staff

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

## Attendance & Giving

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|------------------------------|---------|
| Avg. Attendance for November | 107     |
| Amount Needed Weekly         | \$6,115 |
| October 26, 2025             | \$1,786 |
| Online week of 10-26-2025    | \$20    |
| November 2, 2025             | \$7,150 |
| Online week of 11-2-2025     | \$1,619 |

## Upcoming Events

### November 2025

11 - Board Meetings  
12 - MBC Prays  
15, 22 - Cantata Practices  
27 - Thanksgiving

30 - No Sunday School

### December 2025

2 - O&E Board Meeting  
6, 13 - Cantata Practices  
7 - Communion

7 - Gingerbread House Building  
8 - WMF Christmas Dinner and Secret Sister Reveal

14 - Christmas Cantata

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

Recognitions

Birthdays

Ron Parrott (Monday)
Abby Smith (Tuesday)
Phil Bekoe (Friday)

Member of the Week

Janet Kirsch

Caring Person for November

Marissa Svaleson

2:42 Groups

November

Thurs., Nov. 13 6:00pm Wolff
Sun., Nov. 23 12:30pm Svaleson

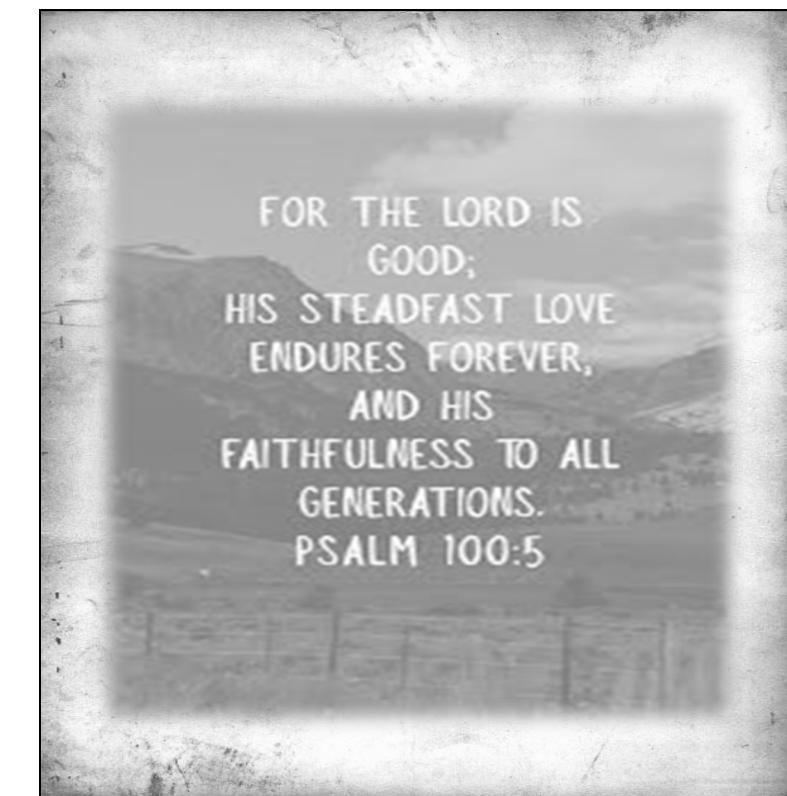
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Psalm 100

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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 . . ."