

## **Announcements:**

**Church Board Meeting:** The next church board meeting is Tuesday, August 9, 7:00 pm. Please send agenda items to the following email address: boardagenda@bismarcksda.org by Friday evening, prior to sunset, August 5, 2022.

**Crochet Sleeping Mats:** Plan to help cut bags and loop them into plarn today after the fellowship meal. Please bring scissors.

**Fundraiser:** The church is raising funds to replace the sound board and amplifiers. The cost is \$9,540. Currently we have received \$4,460 with a remaining balance of \$5080. Your donation is very much appreciated.

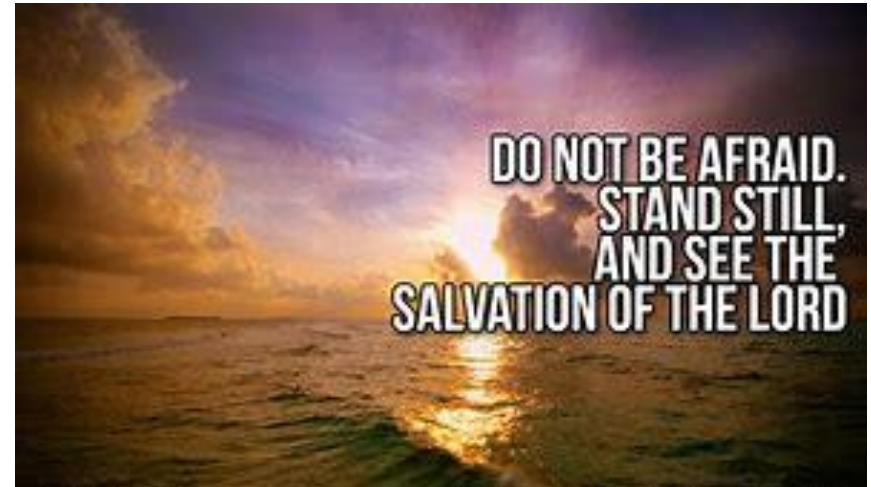
**Adventurers' pre-registration:** Adventures will be starting in September. Children ages 4-11 years old can join us on Sabbath after potluck from 1:30 pm to 3 pm meeting twice or three times a month. Join us at Wachter Park for a family kick-off event on August 14th at 3 pm. Please register your child by August 14 online or on paper in the foyer. Registration online at <https://bismarcknd.adventistchurch.org/ministries/adventurer-club> and click on the *Registration Form*. Paper registration can be handed to Jan or put in the office. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Eberhardt at 701.799.3338 or Chelsea Christianson at 701.226.8251.

**Items to Take in Youth Room:** Recently the VBS Storage area and the Youth Classroom were cleaned out and reorganized. Some items from these areas are no longer needed. If you feel you had a personal item stored in these areas or you would like the opportunity to use an item in your home, check the marked table in the Youth Room. These items will be available for 2 weeks and will then be donated.

**Christian Record Services for the Blind:** Next Sabbath, August 13, the offering emphasis will be Christian Record Services for the Blind, reaching people in our community and around the world. Plan now to bring your offering or give directly at <https://christianrecord.org/give/>.

**Church Membership Records:** I would like to keep our membership information current. If you have moved, changed your email address or phone number, please call or text me at 701-220-3629 with your updated information. Thank you, Janice Wolf, Secretary/Clerk

# August 6, 2022 Bismarck Seventh Day Adventist Church



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### **Service Times**

Sabbath School – 10:00 AM  
Worship – 11:00 AM



## THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 pm

### “Their Darkness is Your Light”

Welcome & Announcements		Ron Reese
Invocation		Pastor Vernon
Tithes & Offering	Local Church Budget	Ron Reese
Praise Time		Sarilyn Medrano
	#341 – To God Be the Glory, all vs	
	#73 – Holy, Holy, Holy, vs 1, 2, 3	
	#249 – Praise Him Praise Him, all vs	
Children’s Story		Tami Flemmer
Scripture & Prayer	Exodus 14:13-14	Janice Wolf
Special Music		Sarilyn Medrano
Message	Their Darkness is Your Light	Pastor Vernon
Closing Song	The Love of God	Sarilyn Medrano
Benediction		Pastor Vernon

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Elder of the Month – Ron Reese

Sunset Today: 9:09 pm

Sunset next Friday: 8:58 pm

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### **Welcome:**

We want to welcome you to the Bismarck Seventh Day Adventist Church. Whether you are a visitor or a long-time member we hope that you experience God's presence as well as warm Christian fellowship today here at church. Have a Happy Sabbath!

**Fellowship Meal:** You are welcome to the fellowship meal today. Please bring a vegetarian dish to share.

**Pastor’s Corner** On a slick rainy road it is easy to begin to slide before you know it. What begins as only a small slide can end with disastrous results. On an obstacle course, or when walking a tight rope, if the going gets rough, it is easy to be tempted to go backward. It has been said the only way to make sure to keep moving forward is to never step back, and never look down. Look ahead and move forward. Small backward steps can lead to great falls. Small slides and baby steps often result not only in falls but incomplete turns. In life, we must be careful where we travel on rainy as well as sunny days. Life is kind of like an obstacle course at times and we must continually look ahead, keeping our eyes on Jesus always. Even though it may be tempting to go back to things that we once trusted in, or that once brought comfort, we must remember, even small steps backward, small compromises of God’s plan for our lives can lead to failure. We can quickly find ourselves in a confusing place where we lose sight of the destination God has designed for us. Psalm 26:1 tells us how to prevent slides, “*I have trusted also in the LORD; therefore, I shall not slide.*” Jeremiah 7:24 warns of moving backward, “*But they walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart and went backward, and not forward.*” Genesis 19:26 speaks of one who looks back that led to death, “*But Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt.*” If you feel a slide coming on, trust in God with all your heart. He will order your steps. You will not fall. You will not make a wrong turn. Let us keep our eyes on Jesus, the author, and finisher of our faith who is coming soon to take us to our final destination. Hebrews 12:2, “*Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.*”

Blessings, Pastor Vernon