

## Announcements:

**Church Board Meeting:** Tuesday October 13 the Church board will meet at 7:00 pm.

**Brentwood School:** Brentwood will be holding their Annual Constituency Meeting on Saturday, October 17th at 7pm. Location will be at the Bismarck Church.

**Thank You!** Living to be 100 years it leaves me thinking it just can't be. When I think of the journey, I think of all the wonderful people that have come into my life and filled me with such treasured memories. My church family has been very special to me. I want to thank all those who have showed such kindness and love to me. Thank you for the wonderful birthday celebration and to all those who helped make it possible.

Edna Moser

**October is Spirit-of –Prophecy Month:** at your local Adventist Book Center. Learn more about Ellen G. White's books at [AdventistBookCenter.com/spiritofprophecy](http://AdventistBookCenter.com/spiritofprophecy). Books like Steps to Christ, The Desire of Ages, and The Great Controversy can change lives. We thank you so much for your help. God Bless.  
Doug Church

### **Small Groups:**

This ministry will continue to be on hold until this fall when we can re-evaluate the safety of gathering together. If you have any input on small groups please contact Julie Bitz.

**Church Smart Restart:** We are slowly moving towards returning to a normal worship schedule. Please notice the following details. Sabbath Schools will continue to meet. An offering plate will be available at the door after the service. Potluck remains canceled, however, you may bring a brown bag lunch and eat with friends after church. Please clean up after yourself. We encourage everyone to exercise appropriate social distancing, use hand sanitizer, and wear a mask when in conversation with others.

## October 3, 2020 Bismarck Seventh-day Adventist Church



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# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 pm

Musical Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		David Candy
Offering	Local Church Budget	David Candy
Scripture	Matthew 28:19-20	David Candy
Sermon	Planning to Fail	Elder Mark Weir
Benediction		Elder Mark Weir

Elder of the Month – David Candy

Sunset Today: 7:06 pm

Sunset next Friday: 7:20 pm

Next Week Offering is NAD Voice of Prophecy

\* Offering collected at entrance to Sanctuary

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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!

## Service Times

Sabbath School – 10am

Worship – 11am

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**Congratulations and Welcome** to Elder Weir on his new appointment as our Conference President. Thank you for accepting this responsibility and for your service to us.

## **Pastor Rob's Message**

One of my favorite grade school teachers had four border collies. Not all at the same time. They got one, and trained it, teaching it things like where the boundaries of the property were. Not to jump up on people. Not to chase the peacocks. A few years later they got another border collie. They also showed her a few things, but like most parents they were more diligent and strict with the first.

Eventually and sadly the original dog passed away. Liking the dynamic of having two, they soon got another border collie. When the second one eventually passed, they got yet another. Always two, there are.

One day when going on a walk the youngest and least trained border collie saw one of the peacocks and took off after it, chasing it over the hill. Fortunately the bird escaped, and the dog came back empty-mouthed. As soon as it arrived back with the family, the older dog let him have it. She let him know in no uncertain terms that chasing peacocks were simply not something that we do in this family. And it never happened again. The amazing thing is that this lesson was delivered by the third dog, who had never even been taught that rule personally by her owners. It was wisdom passed down from dog to dog.

So often the gifts and ministries that God has blessed us with die with us. What am I doing to pass my knowledge and skills along to somebody else? “And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also” (2 Timothy 2:2).