

Announcements:

Church Board Meeting: Our March meeting is Tuesday, March 14, 7:00 pm. Please send agenda items to the secretary or pastor.

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

Adventurer Club: The Adventurer Club will meet today from 1:00-3:00 pm. Included in the event will be a field trip to Fire Station # 2 in Bismarck.

Youth Social Event: A teen-age social event is scheduled Sabbath, March 11, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm. The event will start with bible study/devotional followed by games and snacks. For those youth coming we encourage them to bring a friend with. Contact Pastor Marveen if you have questions.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Please join us Tuesday, March 7, 10:00 am, as we continue the bible study. We will continue in the Book of John Chapter 2:1-12.

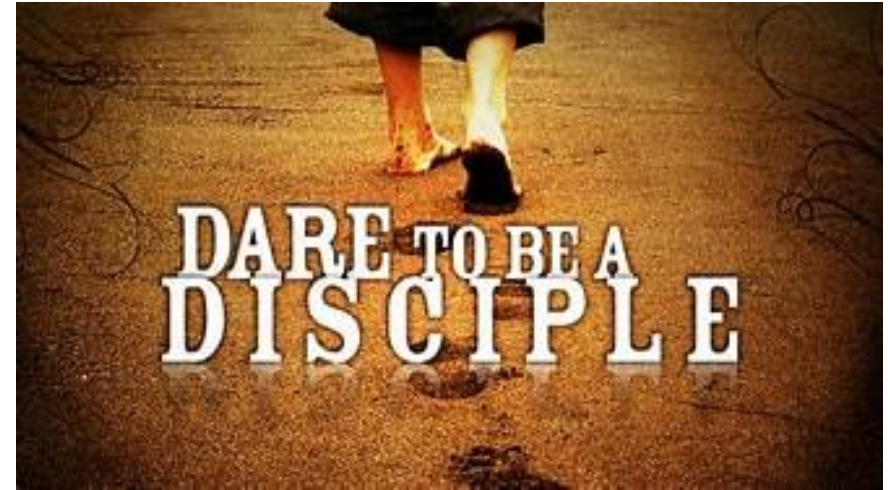
Special Social Event: Pastor Vernon and Melanie are inviting you to a vesper, followed by a special social event today at 6:00 pm.

Church Directory: Photo sessions for the church directory are still available. We have extended appointment times for another week. Please sign up on the clipboard or call Reese as she is our professional photographer at 865-216-7914.

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

Dakota Conference 28th Annual Men's Retreat: The annual men's retreat is March 10-12, 2023. For more information click the link: [Men's Ministries : Dakota Conference Bismarck ND \(dakotaadventist.org\)](https://www.dakotaadventist.org).

March 4, 2023 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

“What Jesus Says About Being a Disciple”

Welcome & Announcements		Ron Reese
Invocation		Pastor Vernon
Tithes & Offering	Local Church Budget	Ron Reese
Praise Time		Traci Thingvold
	#187 – Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners, vs 1,2,4 #473- Nearer My God to Thee, vs, 1,2,3,5	
Children’s Story		Pastor Vernon
Scripture & Prayer	Mark 10:45	Janice Wolf
Special Music		Traci Thingvold
Message	What Jesus Says About Being a Disciple	Pastor Vernon
Closing Song		Traci Thingvold
	#608 – Faith is the Victory, vs 1,3	
Benediction		Pastor Vernon

Elder of the Month – Ron Reese

Sunset Today: 6:31 pm

Sunset next Friday: 6:41 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!

Sabbath School Divisions/Classes:

- Adult Classes - Sanctuary, Come & See in Large Classroom, Filipino Class in the Fellowship Hall.
- Cradle Roll (ages 0-4)
- Kindergarten (ages 5-7)
- Primary (ages 8-10)
- Junior/Earliteen (ages 11-14)

Pastor’s Corner:

The purpose of a thorn is to protect a plant from predators. When we attempt to pick a rose, we are actually a predator of the plant; therefore, we often get pricked. Can you imagine how a crown of thorns would feel pressed down on your head? I shudder at the thought and imagine that most of us would scream out in pain. Jesus had a crown of thorns pressed into His head before He was crucified. As painful as this was, He broke His silence only three times the first three hours that He hung on the cross. The three times Jesus spoke was for the purpose of relieving the pain of others, not His own. He asked for forgiveness for those who crucified Him, saved a thief, and assured that His mother would be cared for. In 2 Corinthians 12, Paul speaks of “a thorn” in his side. The identity of Paul’s thorn, which he asked God to remove three times - his weakness, is not recorded, but all the information we need to know about it is. God’s answer to Paul, “*And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.*” Our weaknesses should make us stronger for Christ. Have you asked God to remove it once, twice, or three times even? Even though thorns hurt, God allows them to purposely exist, but as Jesus, we must learn to concentrate on alleviating the pain of others, more than our own.

Blessings,
Pastor Vernon