# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

#### 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 pm

#### "INIQUITY"

Welcome & Announcements Dave Saxon			
Invocation		Pastor Vernon Herholdt	
Tithes & Offer	ring Local Church Bud	get Dave Saxon	
Praise Time Reese Saxon #100 – Great is Thy Faithfulness, all vs #187 – Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners, vs 1, 3 #75 – The Wonder of It All, all vs			
Children's Sto	лгу	Ron Reese	
Scripture & Pr	rayer Psalm 32:5	Tamara William	
Special Music			
Message	Iniquity	Pastor Vernon Herholdt	
Closing Song Reese Saxon #286 – Wonderful Words of Life, all vs			
Benediction		Pastor Vernon Herholdt	

Elder of the Month – Dave Saxon	
Sunset Today: 8:49 pm	Sunset next Friday: 8:36 pm
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#### Pastor's Corner: Straightening the Crooked Path

In our journey through life, we often encounter crooked paths – situations, decisions, and circumstances that deviate from the straight and narrow. Just as a winding road challenges travelers, these crooked ways can lead us astray, causing confusion and uncertainty. However, just as a crooked road can be straightened, our lives too can find direction and purpose through divine intervention. Imagine a winding road that meanders through hills and valleys, twisting and turning in unpredictable ways.

In a small county, there once existed a particularly troublesome bend in this road. Accidents were frequent, and travelers navigated this section with caution. The county officials recognized the danger and decided to take action. The process of straightening the road was not easy. It required careful planning, skilled labor, and unwavering commitment. This road symbolizes the challenges and uncertainties we face in life.

Proverbs 3:6 (NIV) emphasizes this truth: "In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." Just as the county officials submitted to the task of straightening the road, we too must submit ourselves to God's guidance, trusting that He will lead us towards His intended purpose. Hebrews 12:1 (NIV) encourages us to "throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles." By letting go of our burdens and sins, we create space for God to work in our lives and straighten our paths. And lastly, 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV) reassures us of this transformation: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

As we navigate life's twists and turns, may we trust in His unwavering guidance and seek His hand to lead us on the path of righteousness. Blessings, Pastor Vernon

### Sabbath School Divisions/Classes

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

## **Evangelism**

**Health Seminar:** On September 15-16, 2023, Maria Jose Hummel, Nutritionist/Health Educator, will be presenting health lectures on nutrition, health, and disease prevention.

## Small Groups

(If you are interested in starting a small group, please contact Pastor Vernon.)

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Please join us Tuesday, August 8, 10:00 am, as we continue the bible study in the Book of John.

**Sabbath Morning Prayer Group:** Join us in prayer every Sabbath morning at 9:30 am in the sanctuary.

**Sack Lunch Ministry:** Sack lunches will be put together and delivered to the community on the following Sabbaths: 9/9/23, 10/14/23. Individuals are needed to make food, put together sack lunches and make deliveries. Please contact Kimber Flemmer if you are interested in supporting this ministry.

## <u>Calendar</u>

- August 22, 29 Tuesday Bible Study, 10:00 am
- August 21 Brentwood's First Day of School!
- August 19, 26 Adventurer Club, 1:30-3:00 pm
- September 9 Adventurer Club, 1:30-3:00 pm
- September 12, Church Board Meeting, 7:00 pm

#### **Announcements**

1<sup>st</sup> **Reading of Nominating Committee:** Names are Karen Breuer, Gary Christenson, Jessica Eberhardt, Ron Reese, Dan Spilovoy, Traci Thingvold, and Janice Wolf. Alternates are Kimber Boyko, David Chapman, and Judy Benz.

**2nd Reading Membership Transfer:** Roxanne & Gary Dallmann from the Jamestown SDA Church to Bismarck SDA Church.

#### Church Budget ending July 2023:

Budget \$72,403 Received \$66,879 Short \$5,524

**Fellowship Meal:** Join us for our fellowship meal today as we welcome and fellowship with church family and visitors.

**<u>Prayer Requests:</u>** We ask for your prayers for Anna, Elliot, Cathy, and Donna. Also, Rita's neighbor's brother be found and is safe. May they experience God's healing touch.

School Student Aid: This is a reminder for parents seeking student aid for this school year. The deadline is August 31. Please submit a written request or find the forms on the Bismarck SDA Church Website and submit them to the church treasurer. Website Link: https://www.bismarcksda.org/education.

**Student Worthy Fund:** This church fund is to help provide financial aid for students from the Bismarck Church to attend DAA or Brentwood School. We ask our church family to keep this in mind as part of your church offering. We thank you for your generosity.

Dakota Conference Christian Women's Retreat: The retreat is Sept. 29-Oct. 1, at Rough Riders Hotel, Medora. Sign-up before August 29 to get a reduced fee. For more information pick up a copy of the program in the church foyer or go to https://www.dakotaadventist.org/ministries/womensministries.

## Sermon Notes:

# August 19, 2023 Bismarck Seventh-day Adventist Church

Ps. 32:5 Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide my guilt. I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the Lord." And you forgave me! All my guilt is gone.

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 – 10:00 AM Worship – 11:00 AM

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