

## This Week's Services

**July 15, 2018**

Worship Services: 8:30, 9:50, 11:05am

***"A Serious Warning Regarding What We Say"***

*James 3:1-12*

Pastor Barry Seifert

## Attendance

Attendance	Last Week	2017 Avg
Sunday School	129	229
AM Services	422	452
Prayer Mtgs.	12	

## Who's On Deck

### Ushers

8:30 Darrell B., Dave B., Steve C., Thomas G., Russ R., Claude S.

9:50 Darrell, Thomas G., Steve E., Mike L., Russ

11:00 Darrell, Steve E., Mike, Claude

### Greeters

8:30 Dave Brenno

9:45 Colleen Andersen, Kelli Sem

11:00 Clay Dubovoy

### Information Desk

Marlene Brooks

### Children's Church, Ages 3 & 4 (9:50am)

Amber Pankratz

### Nursery Workers Workers Judy Hall

9:45 I – Bridgette DeBold, Brenna Thompson

T – Jessica Doerman, Josh & Hope Suttle, Kesiah Thompson

11:00 I – Chuck & Susan Ladlee, Tyler & Victoria May

T – Roxanne Arthur, Mark McDonald, Amanda Tschritter

## First Word

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### How to Study the Bible

"Study to show yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth."

- 2 Timothy 2:15

Bible study can be as simple as a student, a Bible and God. Even as a retired guy I think I am still learning how to do it. Bible concordances, study guides, commentaries, scholarly works by historical church leaders, modern studies and even the Internet represent some of the study aides available.

For me the most important part is to avoid distraction. Bible study can be frustrating because sometimes my mind wants to wander. I read Scripture and stop to think about what I have read and come up blank. Sometimes I think I'm not doing it the right way because I haven't learned anything new. This reminds me that I need to stop and pray. Before, during and after studying a passage it's important to open your heart and mind to God. We need to begin with a prayer asking Him to help us understand what we read. If we let go of our expectations about how Bible study is supposed to be, we can be comfortable just being with God. The Holy Spirit will teach us new truths, as we are ready for them.

Bible study is a life-long discipline. The important thing is to regularly spend time in the Word. Prayer and meditation help us understand and keep our relationship with God strong. For the past several years I've thoroughly enjoyed being in the men's Bible study on Monday nights. It's been great developing friendships with the guys as we learn many life lessons from each other and from the Scripture.

In Christ, Russ Rogne

**"The primary purpose of reading the Bible is not to know the Bible but to know God." – James Merritt**

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## Coming This Week

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### July 15 - 21, 2018

<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 am	Pre-Service Prayer with Pastors
	8:30 am	Classic Worship Service
	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School
	9:50 am	Contemporary Worship Children's Church
	11:00 am	Sunday School for All Ages PR Mission Trip BBQ Lunches
	11:05 am	Contemporary Worship
	12:00 pm	PR Mission Trip BBQ Lunches
<b>Monday</b>	4:30 pm	Adult Prayer Meeting
	7:00 pm	Meet & Greet with Zagorda's
	6:00 am	Men's Bible Study, FBC
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 am	Men's Prayer, FBC
	7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study, FBC, Dakotah Rose
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	2:00 pm	Staff Meeting
	7:00 pm	Elder Board Women's Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Jr. High Youth
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00 pm	Sr. High Youth
	2:00 pm	XYZ
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 pm	Celebrate Recovery
	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
<b>Saturday</b>	9:30 am	Men's Basketball

## Keys to Building a Strong Life

How easy it is to *talk* about matters of faith rather than to *act* in faith! We need to "be slow to speak," and examine whether or not our faith is producing any fruit. A faith without any fruit is lifeless, and isn't worth much. James 2:26 says, "As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead." Friends, let's pray this week that the Lord would do His work in our hearts, that our faith may be honoring to Him and visible to all.

## Upcoming Events

- **Catch up with the Zagorda's:** Pete and Krista Zagorda, serving internationally with Cru, will be with us this weekend. There will be a meet and greet time this Sunday evening, July 15, 7:00-8:30pm in the Upstairs Lounge. Come and go as you can. The Zagorda's are in the US recalibrating for future work. Come learn how their work is changing.

- **First Baptist Church will be hosting a 5-Day Club:** Taught by some of our students from Child Evangelism Fellowship. The Club will be held near the playground at Hammond Park, 200 8th Ave NE right across from Trinity Nursing Home. It will be in the afternoons M-F this week, July 16-20 from 3:30-5:00pm. An Adult host will be present. Children ages 5 years to 12 year will enjoy games, snacks, songs, and a Bible Story which includes the gospel. Join us for any day or all of the days! Bring a friend! No signup necessary.

- **XYZ Picnic:** For people in the 50 plus age group will meet Thursday, July 19 at 2:00pm at First Baptist for their Annual Southern Fried Chicken Picnic – being held indoors at the church. "The Road to China" program will be presented by Marlene Brooks. The cost is \$2.00 for the picnic, plus they ask that you to bring a salad or dessert. Call the church office if a ride is needed.

- **Women's Bible Study:** The Tuesday AM ladies have started a new Bible study by Tony Evans – I, 2, 3 John. Tuesdays at 9:30am. Please join them. Childcare is available.

- **Summer Youth:** Wednesdays. For more information, contact Pastor Sam Kautzmann, 701-720-6353; samkautzmann@gmail.com

**Jr. High—6:30pm.** Students who just completed 6th – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. They meet weekly at Oak Park, shelter by Splash pad.

**Sr. High—7:00pm.** July 18, Mike & Rachel Lindquist, 1120 Sunrise Ct SE. Sr. High meets at a different home each week.

- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, July 21 at 8:00am at First Baptist.

- **Church Picnic:** Sunday, Aug. 5, 5:30pm at Polaris Park. The Elders and Deacons will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a dish to share (salad, chips, dessert, etc.) and your own beverage.

- **SHE Ministries REJUVENATE!** Ladies - Our weekend of rest is coming up August 17-18 at Lake Metigoshe! Registration brochures are at the information desk. Come join us! Questions? Contact Yuki Johnson 701-621-1703 or Ashleigh Collins 701-240-2608.

## Ministry Matters

- **Puerto Rico Mission Trip:** A team of 27 from Minot will be leaving for Puerto Rico July 28. Financial Need - We still need about \$9,000 to reach our goal. Take an envelope from the bulletin board next to the sanctuary and return it to the office with the indicated amount... When the envelopes are all gone, we will have met our goal!

- **PR Fundraiser:** The Mission team will be selling BBQ Lunches to go – this Sunday, July 15 in the gym at 11:00 and 12:00pm.

- **Cookies Are Needed for Camp Good News:** For week of July 29-Aug. 3. Please bring the cookies to the church by Sunday morning, July 29. **No nuts please.**

- **Church Office:** Will be closed Monday, July 23.

## Prayer & Praise

*Prayer Chain: Days 838-0405; Evenings 833-8534*

**Praise:** Galatians 5:1a It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm... We give thanks for the freedom we have in our country and in Christ. Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; Praise the Lord we can freely worship as we choose, own and read our Bibles, and express our religious views without fear of imprisonment. Christ indeed has set us free though the blood of Jesus Christ. Take advantage of that great freedom and never take it for granted.

**Prayer:** Pray for the Holy Spirit to be working in the hearts of our Puerto Rico missions team as they serve Him! Pray that the remaining funds for the trip would be raised!

Pray for the Back Yard Good News Club that FBC will be hosting in a neighborhood park the week of the July 16th. That God prepares the hearts of the children who will attend and that church families would volunteer to help.

**Deployed:** Korea - Ben Klingbeil

**NCA Ministry of the Week:** Ray Russell, Grace Baptist, Grand Forks

**FBC Missionary of the Week:** Troy and Nancy Shirley (Cru) as they prepare for the coming school year.