

### My decision today

- I prayed to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior
- I want to be baptized
- I want to grow as Christ's disciple
- Other

### I'm interested in

- Knowing how to receive Christ as Savior
- Knowing how to grow as Christ's disciple
- Joining a small group
- Helping with the Music Ministry
- Helping with the Children & Youth Ministries
- Other

## THE SHEPHERD

Micah 5:4-5a; etc. (Advent Roles #3)

### ◆ Like Shepherd. Like Sheep.

*The word of the LORD came to me: "Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Woe to the shepherds of Israel who only take care of themselves! Should not shepherds take care of the flock?'" Ezekiel 34:1-2 (cf. Jeremiah 10:21; 12:10; 50:6-7; Zechariah 10:3; Psalm 78:70-72; 2 Samuel 5:2)*

### ◆ Look for Shepherd. Look for Sheep.

*"The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness." Jeremiah 23:7-8 (cf. 23:1-6; 3:15; 31:10; Ezekiel 34)*

### ◆ Listen for Shepherd. Listen for Sheep.

*"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom." Luke 12:32 (cf. Luke 15; Matthew 9:34-36; 15:24; Mark 6; Isaiah 40:9-11; 61:1-3, 6)*

*"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. . . I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd." John 10:11, 14-16 (cf. 10:1-10; Matthew 25; 26:31-32)*

### ◆ Love Shepherd. Love Sheep.

*To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will not fade away. 1 Peter 5:1-4 (cf. 1 Peter 2:21-25; John 21; Acts 20:28; Heb. 12:20-21)*

**NEXT STEPS:** Review the outline and the texts. Spend time in Jeremiah 23:1-8 and Ezekiel 34. Bonus: Read Zechariah 9-13 for the references to Jesus. What does it mean to be a shepherd? Can we love Jesus without caring for His sheep? What needs to change in your life so that you can start living like the Shepherd? Share with another how you are being challenged. Where is God calling you to care in your community? Pray for each other.



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**December 13, 2015**  
**THE SHEPHERD**

Dr. Randall Jaspers, Sr. Pastor

To **worship** God, help people **know** Jesus Christ personally, **grow** to be like Him, **show** His love and **go** where He leads... **together**.

# today at tbc

## Worship

Worship through Singing  
 Lighting of Third Advent Candle: Micah 5:4-5  
 Worship through Prayer  
 (Children, age 3-Grade 5, dismissed for Christmas program practice)



Message: **THE SHEPHERD**

Worship through Giving  
 Music Ministry: Renée Sky  
 Closing Prayer

Room 303 is designated for prayer. People are available to listen and pray.  
 Please fill out the Response Form and place it in the offering plate.  
 Supervised nursery (Ages 0-2) provided during Sunday school and Worship.

## Nursery Workers

TODAY: Lois V. (S.S.); Lois V., Dan T., Annika T. (Worship)  
 Dec. 20: NO scheduled nursery workers

# this week

Today 3:45 pm Family Christmas Caroling/Potluck/Adult Party  
 Following the caroling we will return to TBC for a potluck meal. (Soup will be provided; please bring a dish to share.) Adults will also share in a *White Elephant* gift exchange.

- Wednesday 6:30 pm Youth Christmas Party - *White Elephant* gift; Ugly sweater contest; Photo booth
- 7:00 pm TBC Prayer
- Saturday 6:30 am *DAWG Pound* (Men's Ministry)
- Next Sun. 9:20 am Adult S.S.; (Program practice for children)
- 10:30 am S.S. Children leading Worship

# coming events

- Dec. 23 NO Youth
- Dec. 24 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Please contact the church office **no later than Dec. 20** if interested in sharing a musical number or reading scripture.

Interested in **church membership** or **baptism**? Please use the Response Form or contact the church office.

**New Address**  
 Diana Gray  
 715 3rd Ave. SE, #303

# praise & prayer

## Around TBC

- Health concerns: Diana Gray, Bud Fuchs, Chasta Mansavage (surgery Dec. 15), James Patzer
- TBC college student Andy Oslund (Univ./Jamestown)
- College students: end-of-semester projects and finals
- God's continued direction for our Elders as they lead
- Church staff needs
- Jennifer Heller and family - Jennifer's grandmother, Mary Helen Kunde, passed away December 8. A funeral service will be held in Brainerd, MN.

## Around the NAB Conference

**Nick and Iris - East Asia**  
 Nick and Iris are pioneering a new work in East Asia and are beginning to build significant relationships with those in their community. They are making great spiritual strides as they work with university students and leaders. **Pr\*y** for spiritual growth of the University students outreach team whom they are discipling. **Pr\*y** for G\*d's blessings upon the students in this school year. **Pr\*y** for their new partners, Bud and Lois, who are eager to join Nick and Iris as educators. [\*marks are intentional to protect NAB workers in restricted nations].

**Turtle Lake Baptist - Turtle Lake, ND**  
 Pastor Steve & Carol Vetter

## Around the World

**\*ERITREA**- 50.2% Muslim; 47.3% Christian  
 The government exercises tight control, imprisoning tens of thousands of citizens, torturing at will and pursuing a systematic policy to eradicate evangelical Christianity. With the exception of Sunni Islam, all other public religious practice has been banned. Between 2,000 and 3,000 Christians are imprisoned in Eritrea because of their faith; most of them have never received a court hearing or been formally charged. Prisoners are tortured and subjected to extremely poor living conditions, often locked in metal shipping containers or underground bunkers. Several who have refused to renounce their beliefs have died in custody.

**\*Conflicts and Needs: South Sudan, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine, Yemen**

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 Troy Carl, *Military BibleStick*

Please use the Response Form or contact the church office if interested in receiving **prayer requests** and **church announcements** via email.  
**(Please include your email address!)**

## GIVING REPORT

Benevolent	\$412.01
<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>\$421,580.81</b>
Building	\$5,870.00
YTD General Fund	\$348,378.02
<b>Gen. Fund Total</b>	<b>\$354,248.02</b>

**NOTE: All giving for 2015** must be completed by Sunday, Dec. 27. Other arrangements should be made with Michelle Martin, Financial Secretary.

# response form

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Your age group 18-23 24-29 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80+ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT (If A Student) Your Current School Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Are You:  Single  Married \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Names of children living at home & birth dates: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your...  1st time?  2nd time?  3rd time? \_\_\_\_\_

New Address  New Email Address

Mr. | Mrs. | Miss. | Ms

I am:  Attendee  Member  Visitor

I came as a guest of: \_\_\_\_\_