

### 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

## UNEXPECTED LOVE AND GRACE

Luke 20:9-18, also Isaiah 5:1-6; Psalm 118 (*Necessary Suffering* #1)

- ◆ God alone owns the vineyard and grants inheritance.
- ◆ God gives Himself by His Son with unexpected love and grace.
- ◆ God vindicates His Son and will judge those who reject Him.

*Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we pray (literally, Hosanna), O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!*  
Psalm 118:19-29

*The Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.* 1 John 4:14b  
(cf. Romans 5:8; John 3:18)

*At the name of Jesus every knee will bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.* Philippians 2:10-11

**NEXT STEPS:** Read Luke 20:9-18 and review the outline with another. Is there anyone in the story with whom you relate? Now read through Psalm 118 slowly two or three times aloud. Share the word or phrase that draws your attention. Discuss practical responses to God's love and grace. Pray together in dedication and praise to God. **BONUS:** Spend time in John 15:18-25 (Psalm 35:19; 69:4). Next week we will focus on the OT words about Judas. Prepare by reading John 13:18; 17:12 (Psalm 41:9); Matthew 27:9-10 (Zechariah 11:12-13) and the context surrounding these verses.



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## March 5, 2017

### UNEXPECTED LOVE AND GRACE

Randall Jaspers, Lead Pastor  
Kalen Heller, Pastor of Community Life

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
- Worship through Prayer  
(Children, ages 3-Kindergarten, dismissed for Jr. Church: Mel H. & Micah H.)
- Message: **UNEXPECTED LOVE AND GRACE**
- Worship through Giving
- Sharing the Lord's Supper
- Benevolent Fund Offering: Salvation Army
- 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:** Amanda L., Dan T., Ali H., Ryleigh M.  
**Mar. 12:** Ronda O., Pat M., Senayet M.

# this week

- Today 1:30 pm Play Practice (entire cast; musicians)
- Tuesday 6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Study Fellowship
- Wednesday 11:30 am Lenten Lunch/Service, Trinity Lutheran  
Standing Fast on the Word, Steve Berntson  
Great Adventure (Children, K-Gr. 5)  
Youth (Gr. 6-12)  
TBC Prayer
- Fri.-Sat. 6:30 pm Winter SOULstice Retreat (Gr. 6-8)
- Saturday 6:30 am DAWG Pound (Men's Ministry)
- Next Sun. 9:20 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship - Read John 13:18; 17:12 (Psalm 41:9); Matthew 27:9-10 (Zechariah 11:12-13)  
1:30 pm Play Practice (entire cast; musicians; props)

# coming events

- March 15 11:30 am Lenten Service, St. Paul's UMC  
Offerings go to the Homeless Coalition Committee; *Blessing Bags* donations will also be received (see posters for suggested items).
- March 18 10:00 am Community Prayer, *First Baptist*
- March 19 1:30 pm Play Practice - Costumes assigned
- March 21 6:30 pm Elders' Meeting

# praise & prayer

## Around TBC

- ◆ **Health concerns**  
Diana Gray, Ruth Jenner, Juanita Nelms, Jacqueline Pfeiffer, Paul Tahran
- ◆ **Youth Director Search**
- ◆ **Passion Play**
- ◆ **TBC College Students**  
Michelle Oslund and Miah Dabill (Univ/Mary)
- ◆ **Winter SOULstice**  
\*Pray for students' growth in faith and obedience in their walk
- ◆ **Salvation Army**  
\*Funds for increased assistance requests

## Around the NAB Conference

### Yuri Nakano - Japan



God has placed a burden on Yuri's heart to bring the hope of the Gospel to Japan. God has called and equipped Yuri to serve in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting alongside a faithful team of missionaries. **Pray** that she would continue to get to know her neighbors. Also **pray** for Komyo Christian Church as it grows and matures to become a disciple-making church and reaches out to the community. For more information, visit [nabonmission.org/missionaries/yuri-nakano](http://nabonmission.org/missionaries/yuri-nakano).

- Northern Plains **Regional Minister Search**
- **Calvary Baptist Church, Carrington, ND**  
Loren Franchuk (Sr. Pastor)
- **Moosehorn Baptist Church, Moosehorn, MB**  
Search/Sr. Pastor

## Around the World

### Egypt - 86.3% Islam; 13% Christianity

Though its economy is the 2nd largest in the Arab world, Egypt struggles to support its growing population. Poor living conditions and limited job opportunities have spawned public discontent. Despite its outlawed status, the Muslim Brotherhood continues to target Christians through periodic violence and harassment, particularly in Upper Egypt. The government has failed to protect Christians, most of whom are Coptic Orthodox Christians. Repressive laws and discriminatory policies restrict Copts from freely practicing their faith.  
**\*Conflicts/Needs: North Korea, South Sudan, Somalia, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine, Yemen, Libya**

Century Baptist, Bismarck, is hosting a **Men's Conference** March 24-25. Cost is \$50 (conference; two meals). Discounts are available (see posters). **Register** at [CenturyBaptist.org/MensConference](http://CenturyBaptist.org/MensConference)

GIVING REPORT	
YTD Budget	<b>\$80,698.84</b>
Habitat/Humanity	\$1,280.00
YTD Proclaimers	\$1,255.00
YTD Building Fund	\$1,300.00
<b>YTD General Fund</b>	<b>\$59,834.93</b>

**Thank you** for your generous gifts of time, space and funds. The brunch was a spectacular success and exceeded all expectations!  
Nicholas Goodman, Co-Advisor  
*Habitat for Humanity*

First Baptist, Minot, is hosting a **Women's Retreat** April 7-8, with featured speaker Dannah Gresh. Registration (by March 14) is \$30; \$35 after March 14. **Brochures** are available at the **Welcome Center**. Go to [www.fbcminot.com](http://www.fbcminot.com) to register online.

# 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?

I am:  Attendee  Member  Visitor

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