

### 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

## BURIED TREASURE AND A PEARL

Matthew 13:44-46

### Introduction

We are a culture that dreams of striking it rich, winning the lottery or becoming a Publisher's Clearing House winner! What would you do if you discovered the opportunity to win it big?

### The Money Connection

- 15% of everything Jesus is recorded as saying relates to the topic of money and possessions!
- There is a fundamental connection between our spiritual lives and what we think about and how we handle money!
  - John the Baptist (Luke 3:11-15)
  - The poor widow (Mark 12:41-44)
  - The rich man (Luke 12:16-21)

### Smart or Not So Smart?

- Our Hebrew traveler...
  - Do you feel sorry for him?
  - Matthew 13:44 – "...in his joy..."
- What happens to earthly treasure? (Matthew 6:19-21)

### The Great Exchange

- Confederate vs. US funds
- As a Christian, you have inside knowledge!
- Jesus: the foremost market-timing expert!

### Video: The Pearl of Great Price

### Investment Advice

- Jesus: the ultimate investment counselor.
- "How many years ahead should I plan for?"

### Conclusion:

What will you now do with the biblical evidence providing you the information to 'win it big'?



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## **Buried Treasure and a Pearl**

Dr. Randall Jaspers, Sr. Pastor  
Rev. Randy Brown, Associate Pastor of Youth/Families

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-K, dismissed for Jr. Church)

Message: **BURIED TREASURE AND A PEARL** - Rev. Ron Norman

Worship through Giving

Music Ministry: Kristy Jaspers

Closing Prayer

*Please fill out the Response Form and place it in the offering plate.*

*Supervised nursery provided during Small Groups and Worship.*

## Nursery Workers

TODAY: Amanda L. (S.S.); Amanda L., Kendra R., Elizabeth G. (Worship)

MAR. 16: Leann G. (S.S.); Leann G., Jana L., Karen J. (Worship)

# this week

- Today 1:30 pm *Estate Design Workshop*
- Wednesday 11:45 am *Lenten Lunch/Worship, Ave Maria Chapel*  
*I Was Hungry and You Gave Me Food* - Chaplain Tom Geffre  
6:30 pm *AWANA* (Challenge Night)  
6:30 pm *PHYM* (Gr. 7-12)
- Fri.-Sat. **Love & Respect Seminar** ([www.loveandrespect.com](http://www.loveandrespect.com))  
Metropolitan Baptist Church, Fargo
- Saturday 7:00 am *DAWG Pound*  
10:00 am Community Prayer @TBC  
**Deadlines** for *PHYM* Summer Mission Trips
- Next Sun. 9:20 am S.S./Small Groups - Pastor R2 begins study of different faiths, cults and Christian denominations. (Islam)  
10:30 am Worship

# coming events

- March 17 6:00 pm CSB Camp *Thank You Dinner*, Bismarck Bapt.  
Celebrating the Camp's becoming debt free!  
(Please **RSVP** by **March 14**: 701.486.3467 or [office@csbcamp.org](mailto:office@csbcamp.org))
- March 19 11:45 am Lenten Lunch/Worship @ TBC  
*I Was Thirsty and You Gave Me Drink* - Chaplain Dave Fisher

Welcome to Rev. Ron Norman! Thank you for sharing the biblical principles of stewardship and for encouraging us to consider how our "riches" are used to honor God and family.

# praise & prayer

## Around TBC

- ◆ Special health concerns: Anne Friesen, Jessica Kercher, Charlie Potter
- ◆ David Craig - Afghanistan
- ◆ TBC College Student Jana Lynch (Univ. of Jamestown)
- ◆ Elders of Worship and Children & Youth
- ◆ God's direction for the building on 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW
- ◆ Opportunities to interact and share with those on your "Matthew" list

## Around the NAB Conference

### Nick & Iris



Nick and Iris are pioneering a new work, building significant relationships with those in the community in which they live.

Their focus is on university students and leaders. **Pray** for the spiritual growth of these University students who are being disciplined. **Pray God** will draw students to their regular Bible study sessions. **Praise God** for His harvest! **Pray** for God's protection over their new faith in the face of many hindrances.

### River City Church - Fargo, ND

Brett & Shannon Moser (Lead Pastor)

Jacob & Amy Peterson (Worship)

## Around the World

**TURKEY**– Muslim 96.6%; Christian 0.2%

Despite government claims and a constitutional guarantee of religious freedom, Christians do not enjoy freedom of religion in many areas.

Politicians, police and foreign missionaries are seen as a threat. Local officials often refuse to issue licenses to new churches. Recently, persecution has increased. Christians frequently experience discrimination, slander, personal attacks as well as attacks against their churches.

### UKRAINE Conflict

**Continued prayer** for conflicts in Syria, Egypt, Cen. African Republic, So. Sudan

**Rejoice** with the Jaspers' family in God's gift of Nadia Dianne, born February 28, weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz., measuring 19 inches! (Parents are Mike & Adrienne Jaspers; Grandparents are Pastor Randy & Kristy!)

**Special Music** - Please contact Jeanne Hansen (252-3911) or the church office if interested in sharing in this ministry.

**God's Not Dead** movie is coming to Jamestown March 21 (for one week). Please plan to see it—and bring a friend! Information: <http://godsnotdeadthemovie.com/theaters>

**Thank you**, ladies, for your many expressions of love in celebration of my birthday. God uses you to bless me!

*Kristy Jaspers*

## GIVING REPORT

Benevolent Fund	\$248.54
<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>\$75,148.47</b>
YTD Building Fund	\$2,600.00
YTD General Fund	\$55,204.18
<b>General Fund Total</b>	<b>\$57,804.18</b>

# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

New Address  \_\_\_\_\_ Are You: \_\_\_ Single \_\_\_ Married

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

Mr. | Mrs. | Miss. | Ms \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_