

**11:00 am – 12:15 pm**

***Please silence your phones***

Welcome & Announcements

Lee Meier

Invocation Pastor David Fitzcharles

Tithes & Offering & Union University Lee Meier  
 Needy Fund

Praise Time Chelsea Christensen & Tami Flemmer  
#336 – There is a Fountain, vs 1, 3, 4  
#337 – Nothing But the Blood, vs 1, 2, 4

Scripture & Prayer      2 Cor. 5:14-19      Chrissy Reese

Message Pastor David Fitzcharles  
***“The Enemy at the Table”***

Ordinance of Humility

Children's Story Lerése & David Fitzcharles  
(Will meet in the Sanctuary during the foot washing service.)

Special Music Chelsea Christensen & Tami Flemmer

Communion Service                      Pastor David Fitzcharles

Closing Song Chelsea Christensen & Tami Flemmer  
#302 – Lamb of God, all vs

## Elder for the Month of August – Lee Meier

Sunset Today: 8:43 pm      Sunset next Friday: 8:30 pm

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There are moments when God’s grace is less like a spotlight and more like a door that quietly opens. We often imagine spiritual growth as becoming stronger, more certain, more capable. Yet sometimes God does His deepest work when we discover that we do not have everything figured out. There is a peculiar freedom in finally admitting, “Lord, I need You to show me what comes next.”

Acts 9 reminds us that genuine encounters with Christ do not leave us sealed inside our own private spiritual world. God draws us toward Himself, and then, rather inconveniently at times, toward one another. Saul's new life was not lived in splendid isolation. He was received into a community, baptized, strengthened, and surrounded by believers.

That seems especially appropriate as we come to the Communion table. Communion is wonderfully ordinary. Bread. Juice. People sitting together. Nothing particularly impressive by the world's standards. Yet, Jesus takes these simple things and reminds us that grace has created a family. And families can be wonderfully untidy things.

Around Christ's table are people with different histories, personalities, opinions, failures, and wounds. We do not gather because we have finally become deserving dinner guests. We gather because Christ invited us. "There is one body" (Ephesians 4:4). Perhaps that is one of Communion's quiet gifts. Before asking what separates us, the table reminds us of the One who holds us together.

As you move through this coming week, consider where Christ may be inviting you to see someone not through the lens of their past, but through the possibilities of His grace.

Blessings,  
Pastor David

Adult Classes are in the Sanctuary and Come & See in Large Classroom. Cradle Roll (ages 0-3); Kindergarten (ages 4-6); Primary (ages 7-9); Juniors/early teens (ages 10-14); Youth (ages 15-20)

**Happy Hamper:** The Happy Hamper continues to provide funds to wash and dry the laundry for those with little to no income. January through June 2026, we washed 1,117 single loads of laundry for people in our community. Thursday, Aug. 6, we washed 88 single loads of clothes and served 69 people with 42 of them being children.

This year we started distributing Our Little Friends and Primary Treasure Guides to children at the laundromat. Steps to Christ were also handed out to our adult and teen customers. We have received and distributed donations of gently used sheets from individuals. These have been so welcomed by people who have so little.

Thank you to those that have so generously given their time and donations for this service and outreach to our community. "Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me,'" Ministry of Healing, page 143.

**38<sup>th</sup> Annual Dakota Conference Women's Retreat:** Ladies, you're invited to the Dakota Conference Women's Retreat, September 18–20 at the Dakota Adventist Academy campus. Join featured speaker, Elder Donna Brown, Mid-America Union Women's Ministries director, for a weekend of inspiring messages, fellowship, and spiritual renewal. Whether you come with friends or on your own, you'll be warmly welcomed.

Register by September 1 to take advantage of early bird pricing before rates increase. Register online by scanning the QR code or go to [Dakotaadventist.org/ministries/women's-ministries/](https://Dakotaadventist.org/ministries/women's-ministries/) or send your completed registration form and check to Dakota Conference, 7200 N. Washington St., Bismarck, ND 58503



**Wednesday Morning Bible Study:** All are welcome to join the Wednesday morning bible study at 10:00 am. Pastor David leads out as we continue to study the Bible together. We are in the book of Philemon.

**Men's Ministry Bible Study:** The bible study continues every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8:00 pm (meal included). Contact Ryan Eberhardt for questions on 952-261-6281.

Announcements:

**Condolences:** The church family wishes to express our heartfelt condolences to Roxanne Dallmann and her family as Garrie, husband and father, passed on Friday, August 14, at his home. May all your happy memories give your family peace and comfort during this time of sorrow. His obituary is posted on the Bismarck Eastgate Funeral Home website.



**Adventurer Club Preregistration is Open:** Please preregister your children (Age 4-PreK. to 4th Grade) by scanning the QR code. Plan to start up again on September 26th. Join us for registration and Family Fun Day on Aug. 29 from 1-3pm at the church. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Eberhardt on 701.799.3338.

**Communion Service:** Communion Service will be held today. Communion service is a beautiful opportunity to reflect on the heart of our faith, the depth of our sins, and the sacrifice of Christ to atone for it.

**Tithe and Offerings:** There are three easy ways to give your tithe and offering.



- 1. Online giving, scan the QR code and explore the Adventist online giving site. It's a quick, easy and fun way to give.
- 2. Drop your offer in the offering box on the back wall of the sanctuary.
- 3. Place your offering on the offering plate when it is passed.

**Financial Report ending July 31, 2026:** Thank you for your weekly tithes and offers. *“The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.”*

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| Budgeted: \$78,900 | Received: \$68,121 | Short: \$10,779 |
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Announcements Cont.



**Fellowship Meal:** Join us for a fellowship meal today. We ask members to bring a vegetarian dish to share.

On Sabbath, August 29, we will have a planned fellowship meal of “Haystacks”, vegetarian taco meal. A clipboard of food items needed will be passed for members to sign up to bring. Help in the kitchen and cleanup is also needed. Any questions please contact Janice.

**Celebrate Pastor Marveen & Halley:** Pastor Marveen and Halley Gentillon were married in Nebraska, and now it's time to celebrate with their Dakota church family and friends! A local wedding reception and celebratory potluck will be held Sabbath, September 5, at the Spearfish Seventh-day Adventist Church, 290 W Highway 14, Spearfish, SD. Everyone who knows Pastor Marveen and Halley is invited to join us as we celebrate their marriage and wish them much joy and love in the years ahead. Come for church and stay for the celebration and potluck! Questions? Contact Jann Gentry at 951-757-8087.

Calendar:

- Aug. 25, Sept. 1, 8 – Men’s Bible Study, 6:30-8:00 pm
- Aug. 26, Sept. 2, 9 – Wed. Morning Bible Study, 10:00 am
- Aug. 29 – Adventurer & Pathfinder event, 1-3 pm
- Sept. 3, 17 – Laundry Love, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
- Sept. 18-20 – Dakota Conference Women’s Retreat

August 22, 2026  
Bismarck Seventh-day  
Adventist Church



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!

**Service Times**  
Sabbath School – 10:00 AM  
Worship Service – 11:00 AM

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