

## THIS WEEK

**Tues:** Youth 6:30-8:30 PM  
**Wed:** Sew'n Sews 9 AM  
Bethesda Place Singing/Devotional  
Zoom Bible Study 7 PM  
**Thurs:** Leviticus Bible Study 9 AM  
**Fri:** Parents & Tots 9:30 AM  
**Sat:** Hosting our Ukraine Friends

**Next Sunday:** Speaker - Pastor Walter, sermon series continues

**Every Sunday:** Ukrainian Slavic Church meets here 2-6 PM

## PLANNING AHEAD

**Feb 3-5** Missionfest Manitoba at Church of the Rock, Wpg  
→ Info at [www.missionfestmanitoba.org](http://www.missionfestmanitoba.org) / & on B Bd.  
**Feb 5** Newcomers Lunch 12-2 PM  
**Feb 21-26** Winnipeg Real to Reel Film Festival at NKMB  
→ Info at [www.winnipegfilmfestival.com](http://www.winnipegfilmfestival.com) / & on B Bd.  
**Feb 26** **Annual Congregational Finance Meeting 6 PM**  
**March 3-4** Manitoba MB Assembly at Winkler MB Church  
**March 25-31** SOAR Heartland in Winnipeg  
**Mar 31-Apr 1** Navigate Conference – at SMBC Details to come.

### TODAY – Pastors Welcome Class

Continues during the Sunday School hour.

**YOUTH Tuesday, January 31 6:30-8:30 PM**

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Our condolences** to Lois & John Janzen and family on the passing of Lois' father, Rev. Peter Janzen, on January 21. The funeral was held yesterday at Bethel Mennonite Church in Winnipeg.
- **Congratulations** to Gavin Broesky & Ainsleigh Thiessen on their engagement. Gavin is the son to Scott & Terri-Lee; Ainsleigh is the daughter to Delmar & Judy from the Tolstoi area. God bless you as you plan for a fall wedding.
- **SOAR Heartland, March 25-31 in Winnipeg.** Pastor Stefan is looking for leaders to accompany our team of youth attending, in particular female leaders. **Please contact him if you have questions or are interested.**

## Prayer = Presence + Power + Privilege 24/7

Let's pray for:

- Growth in learning to live in step with the Spirit.**
- Those mourning the loss of a loved one.
- An end to the war in Ukraine;** provision for those experiencing loss & displacement, and **those adjusting to life in Steinbach.** (70+ families).
- God's provision for the refugee family** we will sponsor. (Malawi)
- Those with health concerns:** Selma Friesen, Ted Lepp (recovering from hip replacement surgery), Kristin Serger.
- Our care-home residents/house-bound members.**
- Our missionaries & members in service:** Heriberto & Viola Ayala, Jennifer Enns, Melissa (leaving tomorrow), Lloyd & Carol Letkeman, Jeremy & Adrienne Penner, Sandra & Isra Chavez Plett, Val Schinkel, Morgan & Krista Serger, Viktor & Rita Schulz, Greg Wiens.
- Short-term Ministry:** Harold & Valerie Kroeker (SOWER ministry in Arizona & Texas)

### ZOOM BIBLE STUDY – Wednesdays at 7 PM 1 Corinthians: Being the Church in a Pagan Society

Join Pastor Walter in this Zoom Bible Study of 1 Corinthians 8-16.  
Use the link sent in the weekly SMBC Friday email to join.

**Study Guides in print form available at the Info Center**

### New! English Classes for Newcomers

- For Beginners (Canadian Language Benchmarks 0-3)
- Every Wednesday and Thursday 7-9 PM for FOUR weeks from January 11 - February 2, at SMBC
- No Cost. To register, please contact: [friedaleppkaethler@gmail.com](mailto:friedaleppkaethler@gmail.com) or 204-371-6900

### A Baptism Service is being planned for May

If this is something you are considering, please contact one of the pastors or the church office.

#### Why be baptized?

Because you want to follow Christ's example. Mark 1:9  
Because Christ commanded it. Matthew 28:19-20  
Because it shows you are a believer. Acts 18:8

## Welcome!

### Thank you for joining us for worship.

We'd like to get acquainted & minister to you more effectively. Feel free to complete the "welcome card" located in the pew slot and hand to an usher or one of the pastors.

### NEW SMBC PHOTO DIRECTORY

We are working on a new photo directory. Please fill out the directory information sheet (available at the Info Center) and place into the offering plate or in the labelled box at the Info Center.

**Submit your digital photo to [info@steinbachmbchurch.ca](mailto:info@steinbachmbchurch.ca)**

**If you would like to have your picture taken, you have one final opportunity this Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>** to have this done after the service and during the Sunday School hour in Room 1-02 behind the library.

### College & Career

Meet Friday evenings at 7 PM. For more info and location, contact Raf at 204-380-1851.

### NEWCOMER'S LUNCH – Sunday, February 5th

**Are you new to SMBC? If you have started attending SMBC in the last 18 months,** we invite you & your family to a casual lunch following Sunday School; start time 12 PM. Come and meet several families, including Pastors Walter, Kelby & Stefan. We'd like to get to know you better.

**Please RSVP** by email to [info@steinbachmbchurch.ca](mailto:info@steinbachmbchurch.ca) or call the church office at 204-326-3551 by Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.



**Save the Date – July 9-14**  
**Star Lake FAMILY Camp**  
**Stay tuned for further info.**

Here is the prayer Pastor Walter led us in last Sunday based on 1 Corinthians 9:

- **Father God,**
- *I have no real right to myself, or to assert myself, except what is granted to me by the Lord Jesus;*
- *Any rights my society or country grant to me might be good and honourable, but I will not base my outlook or philosophy of life on their attainment or enjoyment;*
- *I commit myself to give You my first and ultimate loyalty: rather than to my culture & societal norms (even those deemed legal)—acknowledging that what is legal is not necessarily good or moral;*
- *I commit myself to the Lordship of Christ, who emptied himself of his “rights”, in order to live, serve and rescue us from ourselves and our sin;*
- *I commit myself to servanthood: honouring the “brotherhood” and serving society gladly;*
- *I commit myself to declare and live the Good News selflessly—rather than insisting on my rights;*
- *I commit myself to using my “freedom in Christ” to put others ahead of myself;*
- *And with the prophet Micah 6:8 I commit to acting justly, and to loving mercy, and to walking humbly with my God.*  
*Amen.*

### CHILDREN’S CHURCH/NURSERY



**Family Room:** Available for parents with small children.

**Nursery (ages 0-2):** Please sign in at the table in Heritage Hall; drop off your child during the service.

**Children’s Church (ages 3-6):** Sign in at the booth on lower level.

**Today’s Nursery Workers:** Claudia Dueck, Barb Hamm, Sophia Kornelsen, Saige Peters

**Today’s Children’s Church Workers:** Melanie Reich, Melissa Hiebert, Valentina Dyck, Rodney Niessen, Molly Winkler

**Feb. 5 Nursery Workers:** Mia Fast, Viola Ayala, Sorayah Fast, Anna Ayala

**Feb. 5 Children’s Church Workers:** Erika & Matze Schulz, Julia & Emily Arsenault, Liam Dueck, Caleb Giesbrecht, Saige Peters

If you are a helper in **Children’s Church** or are interested in getting involved in Children’s Church, a day of preparing craft materials for upcoming Sundays will be happening in the Children’s Church area on Friday, Feb. 3 from 9-12. Please sign up at the Info Center. For info, contact Michelle Peters at 204-392-7070.

## SMBC Mission Statement

As disciples of Jesus, we are being transformed by the Spirit to share God’s love with all.



### Our Strategic Priorities

- ✓ **Growing in Christ**  
We want to establish deep roots in our faith.
- ✓ **Connecting in Community**  
We want to actively care for each other.
- ✓ **Being Missional**  
We want to actively share our faith.
- ✓ **Supporting Families**  
We want to strengthen families.
- ✓ **Developing Leaders**  
We want to empower effective leaders.

### Responding to the Crisis in Ukraine

**Ukrainians are arriving in Steinbach.** We are looking for host families. Contact Pastor Kelby for info or if you have questions.

Fill out the form at the Info Center or talk to Pastor Kelby.

**Items most needed at this time include:**

-clothing, furniture, and household items

**Next drop-off date at Southland Church:** Tuesday, February 7, 5-8 PM.

**340 Second Street, Steinbach, MB R5G 0T7**  
**204.326.3551 www.steinbachmbchurch.ca**  
**Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri. 9-12, 1:30-4:30**



**Sunday, January 29, 2023**

Worship Service – 9:30 AM / Sunday School – 11 AM

**“Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.” Psalm 16:4a**

Service Leader: Ruth Ewert  
Music Leader: Sam Fast  
Scripture Reading: Viola Ayala  
(1 Corinthians 10:1-22)

**Message: Pastor Kelby**  
**“A Good Bad Example”**  
**1 Corinthians Series 4/16**

- Our service is also available through our phone service & livestream.
- **Children’s Church & nursery care available during the service.**

**SMBC Sunday Morning Phone Service**  
**1-888-919-5948**

Call just before 9:30 AM to hear the service on your phone.

### STEINBACH MENNONITE BRETHREN CHURCH

LEAD PASTOR: Walter Fast (walterfast@steinbachmbchurch.ca)  
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PASTOR OF STUDENT MIN: Stefan Klassen (stefanklassen@steinbachmbchurch.ca)  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS: Barb Hamm/Kathy Winkler (info@steinbachmbchurch.ca)