

## THIS WEEK

**Tues:** Youth 6:30 PM  
**Wed:** Sew'n Sews 9 AM in Heritage Hall  
Christian Sexuality Conversation 6:30-8:30 PM  
→ 6/6: Following Jesus in this Sexualized Age

**Thurs:** Ladies Bible Study - 9 AM in the Board Room

**Fri:** Men's Prayer Time 6:30 AM – Heritage Hall  
Parents & Tots 9:30 AM

**Fri/Sat:** **Integrate** (Teaching Church partnership) at SMBC  
→ "Interpreting Scripture Today"  
→ with Dr. Mark Wessner, MB Seminary President

**Next Sunday:** Speaker – Dr. Mark Wessner, MB Seminary President

**Every Sunday:** Ukrainian Slavic Church meets here 2-9:30 PM  
**First Friday of each Month** – Ladies Puzzle/Game Night 7 PM  
**Third Friday of each Month** – Men's Game Night 7 PM  
**Every Friday Morning** – Men's Prayer Time 6:30 AM in Heritage Hall

## PLANNING AHEAD

**Nov 29** Ladies Mexican Christmas Party – 7 PM  
**Dec 3** **Advent Series Begins**  
→ *The Advent of Mission & The Mission of Advent*

**Dec 24** AM – 9:30 Service / **Christmas Eve Service – 4 PM**

**YOUTH Tuesday, November 14**  
**6:30-8:30 PM at the Church – Small Groups Night**  
For all those in Grades 6-12

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Congratulations** to Raf & Juls Guenter on the birth of a son, Charles Geo, on November 4. Proud grandparents are Rick & El Bergmann and John & Angelika Guenter.
- **Isra & Sandra Chavez-Plett** are in the area until the end of December. If you or your Community Life Group would like to have them meet with you, you can reach them by emailing sandrap@multiply.net
- **Are you interested** in joining the ladies WhatsApp prayer group? If so, contact Ellie at 204-381-6073 to be included.
- **We are looking for actors who want to be part of the Christmas play.** You will not have to say a word. Just acting. We need 20+ people who want to be involved; age does not matter. If you are interested, contact Rene Schulz (remes90@gmail.com) by November 12.

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

Let's pray for:

- 2023 Theme: Living in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:25)**  
Growth in learning to live in step with the Spirit.
- Pastor Kelby & Michelle**, during his sabbatical until Jan 14/24.
- The interim national director for our Canadian Conference of MB churches, Jason Krueger.**
- Peace** for our world experiencing so much conflict.
- God's peace, presence & protection in Israel & Palestine.**
- Provision for the refugee family** we will sponsor. (Malawi)
- Those with health concerns:** Ruth Ewert, Anne Friesen, Ted Lepp (recovering from hip replacement), Mary Loewen, Peter Schroeder, Kristin Serger, Anne Toews
- Our care-home residents/house-bound members.**
- Our missionaries & members in service:** Heriberto & Viola Ayala, Jennifer Enns, Melissa, Lloyd & Carol Letkeman, Jeremy & Adrienne Penner, Sandra & Isra Chavez Plett, Val Schinkel, Morgan & Krista Serger.

## BAPTISM

Is this something you have been thinking about?  
Contact Pastor Walter, Pastor Stefan, or the church office. **Classes will begin January 7.**



### 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, identifying with Christ. Acts 18:8

## Pastor's Welcome Class

**The Welcome Class continues today during Sunday School.**  
Meet in Pastor Walter's office.

# 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.

## College & Career

Meet Friday evenings at 7 PM. For more info and location, contact Aimie at 204-408-8940.

**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 Youth Hall on Friday, November 24, from 9-12. Please sign up at the Info Center. For more info contact Michelle Peters at 204-392-7070.

**Ladies Bible Study:** Thursday mornings at 9 AM  
**Numbers:** "Learning Contentment in a Culture of More".  
Contact: Yvonne Hiebert or Barb Hamm



**All ladies are invited to the**  
***Mexican Christmas Party***

**Wednesday, November 29 at 7 PM**

\$10 / person (pay at the door)

**Speaker: Sandra Chavez-Plett**

**Sign-up required this Sunday.**  
**Come see us at the table in the foyer.**



**MB Seminary's Integrate Course at SMBC**  
**November 17, 6:30-9:30 PM**  
**November 18, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM**

Have you been wondering if the upcoming MB Seminary course is for you? The course **Interpreting Scripture Today** is a topic that can easily resonate with each one of us. We urge you to consider attending this session either for credit or for personal growth (auditing). It will be held here in our church November 17-18 (Friday evening, Saturday morning and afternoon). The attenders of SMBC are eligible for a 50% reduction on the cost of auditing the course so instead of a cost of \$100, it will only be \$50. We would love to have as many people attend as possible.

To register for this course:

Please go online to [mbseminary.ca](http://mbseminary.ca)

- **Workshops**
- **Register**
- **Interpreting Scripture today**
- **Workshop registration**
- **Home Church – Steinbach MB Church**
- **Add to Cart**
- **Coupon Code: SMBC50**
- **Apply Coupon**
- **Proceed to Checkout**

**Alternatively:** There is a sign-up table in the church foyer once again. Contact Valerie Kroeker or Jack Schellenberg if you need any help.

## 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:** Nicole Krieger, Bethany Drewlo, Sorayah & Nadine Fast, Julia Arsenault

**Today's Children's Church Workers:** Elda & Ashley Kehler, Melissa Hiebert, Bri Giesbrecht, Melita & Liam Dueck, Rodney Niessen, Amelia Derksen

**Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> Nursery Workers:** Bri Winkler, Esther Schulz, Emery Lepp, Bri Giesbrecht, Saige Peters

**Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> Children's Church Workers:** Melanie Reich, Erika Penner, Caleb Giesbrecht, Annabel Klassen, Liam, Luke, Annika Paton, Nadia Thiessen

## 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.

### Pastor Kelby's Sabbatical, September 11 - January 14/24

Pastor Kelby is on a 4-month sabbatical. Please remember to pray for Pastor Kelby & Michelle during this time. If you have any questions, feel free to call the church office and we will direct you to the appropriate person. Chris Thiessen is the one to contact for all things relating to Community Life Groups. **Pastor Kelby is using this time to complete his master's degree in Christian Ministry.**

### Eastman Choral Association's Annual Sing for Peace!

**Sunday, November 12 - 2 PM**

**Grace Mennonite Church - 430 Third St, Steinbach**

A freewill offering will be taken to support the work of Steinbach Community Outreach!

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



**Sunday, November 12, 2023**  
Worship Service – 9:30 AM / Sunday School – 11 AM

**“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.” Revelation 3:20**

Service Leader: Pastor Stefan  
Music Leader: Lorie Friesen  
Scripture Presentation: Yvonne Hiebert  
(Revelation 1:9-11, 3:1-22)

**Message: Pastor Walter**  
**“Christ's Love-Letter to Challenged Churches”**  
**Revelation 1-3 Series Conclusion**  
**Laodicea: “We Don't Need No Help!?” Part 8/8**

→ 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](mailto:walterfast@steinbachmbchurch.ca))

PASTOR OF COMMUNITY LIFE: Kelby Friesen (Sabbatical until January 2024)

PASTOR OF STUDENT MIN: Stefan Klassen ([stefanklassen@steinbachmbchurch.ca](mailto:stefanklassen@steinbachmbchurch.ca))

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS: Barb Hamm/Kathy Winkler ([info@steinbachmbchurch.ca](mailto:info@steinbachmbchurch.ca))