

## THIS WEEK

**Tues:** Youth 6:30 PM  
**Wed:** Sew'n Sews 9 AM in Heritage Hall  
**Thurs:** **NO** Ladies Bible Study this week  
**Fri:** Men's Prayer Time 6:30 AM – Heritage Hall  
Parents & Tots 9:30 AM

**Next Sunday:** Communion Service

**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 21**  
**6:30-8:30 PM at the Church**  
For all those in Grades 6-12

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **LOST & FOUND Table:** Check it out in the foyer. Unclaimed items will be donated to MCC next week.
- **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  
**ALSO – Sandra & Isra are preparing an Enchilada Fundraiser!** Check out the info sent in our church family email. Flyers are also available at the Info Center.
- **Are you interested** in joining the ladies WhatsApp prayer group? If so, contact Ellie at 204-381-6073 to be included.

## 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 & Gaza.**
  - 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.
- In Missionary Mail Rack:** Letter from Melissa

## 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

## Christian Sexuality Resources

If you were unable to attend one or more of the Christian Sexuality evenings and would like to view the video material, please reach out to Pastor Stefan. He would be more than happy to make those available to you.

# 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.

## COMING SOON

### Advent Giving Project



Our project this year will go towards our sister church, **One88 Community Church** located in the inner city of Winnipeg. Stay tuned for details.



**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".  
**NOTE: No study November 23<sup>rd</sup>.**



## 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**



**NOTES:**

**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.**

**SMBC Financial Update: Jan-Oct, 2023**

	Actual	Budget
Operating Income	574,832	504,813
Operating Expenses	<u>(598,510)</u>	<u>(525,203)</u>
Shortfall	(26,678)	(20,390)

**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, November 19, 2023**

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

**“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.” 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

Service Leader: Sofia Epp  
Music Leader: Sam Fast  
Scripture Reader: Aimie Goertzen  
Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 2 Timothy 3:12-17

**Message: Mark Wessner**  
**“Courage to Stand”**

We welcome Professor Mark Wessner, President of MB Seminary.

- 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 BRETHERN CHURCH**  
LEAD PASTOR: Walter Fast (walterfast@steinbachmbchurch.ca)  
PASTOR OF COMMUNITY LIFE: Kelby Friesen (Sabbatical until January 2024)  
PASTOR OF STUDENT MIN: Stefan Klassen (stefanklassen@steinbachmbchurch.ca)  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS: Barb Hamm/Kathy Winkler (info@steinbachmbchurch.ca)

**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:** Bri Winkler, Esther Schulz, Emery Lepp, Bri Giesbrecht, Saige Peters

**Today's Children's Church Workers:** Melanie Reich, Erika Penner, Caleb Giesbrecht, Annabel Klassen, Liam, Luke, Annika Paton, Nadia Thiessen

**Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Nursery Workers:** Barb Hamm, Sophia Kornelsen, Saige Peters

**Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Children's Church Workers:** Michelle Peters, Josh Schulz, Mattais, Emily, Erik Neufeld, Emery Lepp, Danya Thiessen