

THIS WEEK

Mon: Worship Committee Meeting 7 PM
Tues: Youth 6:30 PM
Wed: Sew'n Sews 9 AM
Memorial Service for Hardy Kehler 1:30 PM at Birchwood
Thurs: Ladies Bible Study 9 AM in Boardroom
Fri: Men's Prayer Time 6:30 AM
Parents & Tots 9:30-11:30 AM
College & Career 7 PM
Men's Game Night 7 PM

Next Sunday: Speaker – Pastor Walter

Every Sunday: Ukrainian Slavic Church meets here 2-6 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

Jan 25 Church Baby Shower 6:30 PM
Feb 2-4 Missionfest Manitoba (Winnipeg)
Feb 11 Baptism Service

YOUTH Tuesday, January 16
6:30-8:30 PM at the Church
For all those in Grade 6-12

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Our condolences** to Teenie Kehler, Harold & Jan Kehler, and their families on the passing of their husband and father, Hardy Kehler, on January 10. Sisters-in-law are Selma Friesen and Vera Friesen. The memorial service will take place at Birchwood Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, January 17 at 1:30 PM. God's peace and comfort to you at this time.
- **Welcome back to Pastor Kelby, Michelle & girls!** We are looking forward to hearing what God has been doing in your life during your sabbatical.
- **Birthday congratulations** to Sarah Thiessen, celebrating 98 years, on January 18th. God bless you with His care!

Prayer = Presence + Power + Privilege 24/7

Let's pray for:

- 2024 Theme: "As the Father sent me, I send you." John 20:21** May we understand God's call on each of our lives.
 - 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:** Isra Chavez Plett, Ruth Ewert, Ted Lepp, Mary Loewen, Colette Payette (recovering from hand surgery), Kathe Penner (broken ankle), 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:** Letters from Melissa, Jeremy & Adrienne Penner

BAPTISM

Classes continue during the Sunday School hour in the boardroom, off Heritage Hall.



LOOKING FOR DAILY INSPIRATION FOR 2024?

We invite you to pick up the Bible Reading Plan at the Info Center. **One side:** through the Bible in a year (by genres, approx. 3-4 chapters/day). **Back side:** through the New Testament & Psalms in a year (1 chapter/day). Let's all "dig in"—for the glory of God and the ongoing "rooting" of our faith!

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.

Ladies Bible Study: A study on the book of 1 Thessalonians will begin Thursdays, January 18 – February 22, with 2 options:

1. In-person, 9-10 AM, at church
2. On-line via Zoom, 7-8 PM

Contact Yvonne Hiebert or Barb Hamm if you have questions or to sign up. Cost: \$5. Minimal homework each week, study questions by Jill Hamilton.

Church Baby Shower
Thursday, January 25th 6:30 PM
in Fellowship Hall



All ladies and girls are invited to come celebrate with:

- Juls Guenter & son, Charles, born November 4/23
- Zhuldiz Upeshova & son, Alikhan, born October 6/23

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.

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Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri. 9-12, 1:30-4:30

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: Mia Fast, Bethany Drewlo, Nadine & Sorayah Fast

Today's Children's Church Workers: Chris Dyck, Kara Penner, Josh Schulz, Justin Penner, Annabel Klassen, Jaime Niessen

Jan. 21st Nursery Workers: Denise Hoepfner, Nicole Krieger, Bri Giesbrecht, Nadia Thiessen

Jan. 21st Children's Church Workers: René Schulz, Tessa Warkentin, Andrea & Ezra Lepp, Josiah Peters



Sunday, January 14, 2024

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

**“So those who are last now will be first then,
and those who are first will be last.” Matthew 20:16**

Service Leader: Pastor Walter

Music Leader: Lorie Friesen

Scripture Reading: Shauna Warkentin
Matthew 20:1-16

Message: " It's not Fair!"

Bruce Penner

Board Chair of Steinbach Bible College

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- 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 BROTHERS CHURCH

LEAD PASTOR: Walter Fast (walterfast@steinbachmbchurch.ca)

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

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