

THIS WEEK

Mon: Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 PM
Tues: Youth begins 6:30 PM at Friedensfeld Park
Wed: Sew'n Sews Quilting 9 AM
Thurs: Ladies Bible Study begins 9:30 AM
Church Bridal Shower 7 PM
Fri: Parents & Tots 9:30-11:30 AM
Next Sunday: 9:30 AM Service / Speaker – Pastor Walter
→ **New Sermon Series – Christianity 101**
Sunday School starts at 11 AM / Baptism Classes begin

Every Sunday: Ukrainian Slavic Church meets here 2-6 PM
Every Friday Morning: Men's Prayer Time 6:30 AM in Heritage Hall

PLANNING AHEAD

Sept 21 Ladies Hike at Birds Hill Park
Oct 25-27 Youth Retreat at Roseau River Bible Camp
Nov 22-23 **Integrate** (Teaching Church partnership) at SMBC
'Living your calling today: How to serve & lead others well'
→ Instructor: Dr. Randy Wolff

TODAY – Safe Place Training 11 AM in Fellowship Hall

This training is required for anyone volunteering with youth and vulnerable people in Children's Church/Nursery, Sunday School & Youth.

YOUTH Tuesday, September 10 6:30-8:30 PM
For all those in Grades 6-12
Kick-Off at Friedensfeld Park

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Congratulations** to Jake & Tina Toews celebrating 76 years of marriage on September 12th!
- **Birthday congratulations to:**
 - Eva Graves-Reimer who celebrated her 93rd birthday on September 5th.
 - Elfrieda Unger celebrating 80 years on September 11th.
 - Ed Thiessen on his 94th birthday on September 14th.
- **Our sympathies** to John & Elfrieda Unger and Eleanor Wiebe on the passing of their sister-in-law, Gloria Unger.
- **Fall Reminder:** Thanks for your help in trying to keep our church facility as scent-free as possible.

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.
- Our 2024/25 Sunday School Committee:** Aurelie Thiessen (coordinator), Jason & Karis Dyck.
- All those transitioning back to school.**
- God's peace, presence & protection in Israel & Gaza.**
- Pray for Feza** and her family whom we hope to sponsor from Malawi.
- Those with health concerns:** Ted Lepp, Maria Plett, 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, Aurelie Thiessen.

November Integrate Course:

'Living your calling today: How to serve & lead others well'

In partnership with MB Seminary, we will offer this course taught by Professor Randy Wolff, November 22&23, here at SMBC.

If you choose to become a new grad student, it is possible to qualify for two free courses. Info can be found here:
<https://www.mbseminary.ca/new-student-free-courses/>
Contact Pastor Kelby with any questions you may have.

Online 'Pray with Us' Event

Jeremy & Adrienne Penner are hosting another prayer night, September 10 at 7 PM. The link to this event is below if you would like to join in.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88262449466>

Meeting ID: 882 6244 9466

Passcode: Jesus



Church Bridal Shower
Thursday, September 12 7 PM
in Fellowship Hall

All ladies and girls are invited to come & celebrate with:

- Lexi Broesky, wife to Keagan Broesky
- Emily Guenter, fiancée to Marvin Schott
- Laura Janzen, wife to Aron Janzen

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 it to an usher or bring it to the Welcome Centre.

Ladies Bible Study: A study on the book of **Hebrews** will begin Thursdays, September 12th. Cost: \$3 for printing of material.

1. Mornings, 9:30 AM, at church
2. Evening option may be possible, 7-8 PM, at church

Contact Yvonne Hiebert or Barb Hamm to join.

College & Career

Meet Friday evenings at 7 PM, starting September 20.
For more info and location, contact Aimie Goertzen.

YOUTH

Our youth ministry is still looking for **two more female leaders** to join the team and invest in the lives of the young women in our church community. If you would like to get involved, please contact Pastor Stefan.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are looking for your help! There are a few more teachers needed for preschool and kids Sunday School. Contact Aurelie Thiessen if interested or if you have questions.

Ladies Hiking Day at Birds Hill Park Saturday, September 21

Meet at church parking lot at 9 AM. We will be doing an easy hike at Birds Hill. Bring your own lunch and picnic blanket. We plan on being back at church by 4 PM. All ladies are welcome.



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 our child during the service.

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

Training and Classes at SMBC This Fall

Throughout the year, our goal is to offer a variety of classes and training opportunities to enrich our faith walks. Check out below what's happening this Fall and mark your calendars!

Baptism Classes with Pastor Kelby

Are you considering being baptised?

September 15-October 6 (Baptism service planned for October 13!)

BIBLE UNLOCKED: A 4-6 week **Zoom Podcast** with co-hosts, Pastor Walter & Michael Zwaagstra. Wednesday evenings at 7 PM, beginning **Sep 25th**. We will discuss things you should know when reading or studying the book of all books today! What does it mean when we say the Bible is "inspired"? How do we explain the relationship between the OT & NT? How does that impact our daily devotional reading and deeper study? Why does it even matter that we approach and interpret the Bible appropriately? These and many other questions will be discussed. Opportunity for asking questions will also be given. The Zoom Podcast will be recorded and made available on the common podcast platforms.

Pastor's Welcome Class with Pastor Walter

Do you have questions about our church? Are you curious about becoming a member?

Begins on **October 27th**

Living Your Calling Today: How to Serve and Lead Others Well with Dr. Randy Wolff

We are excited to welcome Dr. Randy Wolff back for our next Teaching Church course in partnership with MB Seminary. Are you curious about growing as a leader?

November 22-23

S.H.A.P.E. Workshop with Pastor Kelby

Discover your gifts and learn more about how to use them in service of God's Kingdom!

January 2025

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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Sunday, September 8, 2024

Worship Service – 9:30 AM

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.”

John 15:1

Service Leader: Terri-Lee Broesky

Music Leader: Sam Fast

Scripture Reading: Elfrieda Neufeld

John 15:1-17

Message: Pastor Kelby

“The Row, the Circle, the Chair”

Today we welcome Ainsleigh Broesky, Detlef & Ellie Hiebert, Linda Hildebrand and Ruth Sager into membership.

→ Our service is also available through our phone service & livestream.

→ **Children's Church & nursery care available during the service.**

→ **Thank you for your tithes & offerings:**

- Offering box at the Welcome Centre to deposit your giving.
- E-transfer and payee online options.

Questions? Come chat with someone at the Welcome Centre.

SMBC Sunday Morning Phone Service

1-888-919-5948

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