

## THIS WEEK

**Tues:** Youth 6:30-8:30 PM  
**Wed:** Sew'n Sews Quilting 9 AM  
Zoom / Podcast 7 PM  
**Thurs:** Ladies Bible Study 9:30 AM  
**Fri:** Parents & Tots 9:30-11:30 AM  
College & Career 7 PM

**Next Sunday: **Baptism & Communion****  
- **NO** Children's Church or Nursery Care



**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

**Oct 15** **Pumpkin Carnival** 7-8 PM in Church Gym  
**Oct 18** Men's Event  
**Oct 20** **SMBC Thanksgiving Service & Lunch**  
→ **For our lunch, turkey & buns will be served.**  
Last names A-H, please bring an **uncut pie**.  
Last names I-Z, bring a **salad to serve 8-10**.

**Oct 25-27** Youth Retreat at Roseau River Bible Camp  
**Oct 29** Missions Night at SMBC 6:30 PM  
**Nov 22-23** **Integrate** (Teaching Church partnership) at SMBC  
'Living your calling today: How to serve & lead others well'  
→ Instructor: Dr. Randy Wolf

**YOUTH Tuesday, October 8**  
6:30-8:30 PM / For all those in Grades 6-12.

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Please pray** for our 16-year-old daughter, Emily, as she prepares for major abdominal surgery on November 1<sup>st</sup> in hopes of treatment for ongoing chronic pain. ~ Trevor & Jody Arsenault
- **Bible Unlocked Zoom Podcast link** for Wednesday evening:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84425057404>

## 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 pastors & their families:** Walter & Anne Fast, Kelby & Michelle Friesen, Stefan & Kara Lee Klassen, Logan & Anna Laura Friesen
  - Our 2024/25 Finance Team:** Christian Peters (Treasurer), Claudia Dueck (Assistant Treasurer), Ron Falk, Kyle Isaak
  - Those preparing for baptism:** Briseis Giesbrecht, Josiah Peters, Emma Schulz, Daiwik Thiessen
  - SMBC Thailand Team** as planning for a 2025 ministry trip begins: Pastor Kelby, Henry & Liam Dueck, Carolyn Dyck, Ron & Helen Falk, Melissa Hiebert, Bob & Kathy Winkler, Matt & Rachel & Molly Winkler.
  - God's peace, presence & protection in Israel & Gaza.**
  - Those with health concerns:** Anne Enns (Bethesda Hospital following a stroke), Sid Kitching (broken leg), Ted Lepp, 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.
- In Missionary Mail Rack:** Final letter from Jennifer Enns

### Our Thanksgiving Offering (Oct 20) will be divided as follows:

- 50% of the undesignated funds will go to SMBC
  - 35% to Safe Families (Steinbach)
  - 15% will go towards this year's need of the hour: 2025 Thailand Ministry Trip
- Thanksgiving Offering donations will be accepted from October 20-25 if they are designated as "Thanksgiving Offering" in the memo line of the e-transfer or tithing envelope.
- Please Note: NO designation is required on Sunday, October 20**, as all funds raised this day will go towards the Thanksgiving Offering regardless.

### 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 Wolf, 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.

# 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** The book of **Hebrews**, Thursdays at 9:30 AM.

**College & Career** Meet Fridays at 7 PM.  
For info/location, contact Aimie Goertzen.

**YOUTH** Our youth ministry is still looking for **2-3 more leaders** to join the team & invest in the lives of the young people in our church community. If you would like to get involved, contact Pastor Stefan.

### COMMUNITY LIFE GROUPS

If you are interested in joining a community life group, contact Pastor Kelby.



### PUMPKIN CARNIVAL Tuesday, October 15 7-8 PM

Hey Kids – If you are age 3 and up, the SMBC youth group is inviting you and your friends to come to our pumpkin carnival. Come play games, get treats and have fun meeting the youth.



### 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.  
**EARLY YEARS HELP NEEDED:** We are looking for 4 more adults to join our nursery teams, serving once every 6 weeks. Contact Michelle Peters or Heather Giesbrecht.

## 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!

**BIBLE UNLOCKED:** A 4-6 week **Zoom Podcast** with co-hosts, Pastor Walter & Michael Zwaagstra, **Wednesday evenings, 7-8 PM.** 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 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **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**

## October is Clergy Appreciation Month

Your loving actions and words of encouragement can help maintain the spirits of our pastors and their families.

**God bless you, Pastor Walter, Pastor Kelby, Pastor Stefan & Pastoral Intern Logan Friesen – we are grateful for you!**

## 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, October 6, 2024**

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

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**"If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:  
The old has gone, the new is here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17**

Service Leader: Sofia Epp

Music Leaders: Henry Dueck / Daniela Klassen

Scripture Reading: Shauna Warkentin  
1 Thessalonians 1:4-10

**Message: Pastor Walter**

**Sermon Series: Christianity 101**

**"How to become a follower of Jesus for all it's worth!"**

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→ 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.

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**SMBC Sunday Morning Phone Service**

**1-888-919-5948**

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