

THIS WEEK

Mon: Thanksgiving Monday – Church Office Closed
Tues: Youth 6:30-8:30 PM
Pumpkin Carnival in Gym 7-8 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
Men's Event 5:30 PM
College & Career 7 PM

Next Sunday: SMBC'S 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**.

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 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 15

6:30-8:30 PM / For all those in Grades 6-12.

Pumpkin Carnival 7-8 PM for all kids 3 and up



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.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **We mourn** with Werner Rempel & his family on the passing of his wife, Elda, on October 10th. A private service will be held Friday, Oct. 18th.
- **Please pray** for our 16-year-old daughter, Emily, as she prepares for major abdominal surgery on November 1st 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 Maintenance Team:** Stacey Giesbrecht (Chair), Leo Derksen, Aron Janzen, Jonathan Krieger, Trevor Neufeld
- 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, Melissa, Lloyd & Carol Letkeman, Jeremy & Adrienne Penner, Sandra & Isra Chavez Plett, Val Schinkel, Morgan & Krista Serger, Aurelie Thiessen.

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.

MEN'S NIGHT



Who? Every Man, Everywhere!
What? 3 F's of a Good Time! Fun, Fellowship, Food
When? Friday, October 18 at 5:30 PM
Where? Youth Hall
Cost? \$10 / person

Register at the table in the foyer or connect with Matt Winkler.

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.



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.

NO Children's Church or Nursery care provided today.

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.

Workshop cost is \$100, but those who register from our church can enter the promo code SMBC50 for \$50 off.

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.

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 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

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.

SMBC Financial Update: January-September

	2024	Budget	2023
Operating Income	438,859	459,170	494,865
Operating Expenses	<u>(475,628)</u>	<u>(502,795)</u>	<u>(496,423)</u>
Net Income	(36,769)	(43,626)	(1,558)

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Sunday, October 13, 2024 Baptism & Communion Service

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

“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love endures forever.” Psalm 107:1

Service Leader: Pastor Stefan

Music Leader: Lorie Friesen

Scripture Reading: Sofia Epp

Psalm 107

Devotional: Pastor Kelby “Rooted”

This morning, we celebrate the baptisms of:

Briseis Giesbrecht, Josiah Peters, Emma Schulz, Daiwik Thiessen

All communion elements are gluten-free.

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

→ **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.