

THIS WEEK

Mon: Thanksgiving Day – Church Office Closed
Tues: Youth 6:30-8:30 PM
Wed: Prayer Ministry 7 PM
 Worship Committee Meeting 8 PM
Thurs: Parents & Tots 9:30-11:30 AM
Next Sunday: SMBC Thanksgiving & Missions Sunday
 Speakers: Lloyd & Carol Letkeman, MB Mission



Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for lunch. Please sign up at the Info Center for bringing pies, helping to set up or clean up.

PLANNING AHEAD

Oct 22 Congregational Meeting 6 PM in Fellowship Hall
Oct 22 6-week Parenting Seminar begins in Youth Hall
Nov 23 Phil Callaway / SMBC Christmas Outreach Event

YOUTH - Tuesday, Oct. 10

Middle School Youth - Large Group 6:30-8:30 PM

High School Youth - Small Groups 6:30-8:30 PM

Our Oct 15 Thanksgiving offering will be divided as follows:

- 50% of the undesignated funds will go to SMBC
- 35% to Midway Christian Leadership, now 'InterAct Ministries Canada'
- 15% will go towards a need of the hour: MDS – Hurricane Relief

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Congratulations** to Ryan & Whitney Giesbrecht on the birth of a son, Emery Gregory, on September 27. Proud grandparents are Gerry & Irene Giesbrecht; Christine & Brad Bohn are pleased aunt & uncle.
- **Congratulations** to Ed Friesen who will celebrate his 97th birthday on October 13th! God bless you with His care.
- **Thank you** for praying for Jeremy Penner, our missionary in Thailand! His respiratory health is back to normal. Praise God!!
- **Your cooperation is appreciated** – please remember to leave designated benches for families with young children.
- **Parent/Child Dedication** – Sunday, Oct. 22. Contact Pastors Walter or Bobby, or the church office if you would like to participate. Meet in Pastor Walter's office for a brief orientation next Sunday at 9:30 AM.
- **Christmas Program** – Costume Designers are looking for white fabric (sheets would be perfect). They are also looking for a few volunteers to help with sewing. Please contact Tina Fast at 204-320-2517.

Prayer = Presence + Power + Privilege 24/7

“SMBC’s Top Six” Prayer Goals for 2017

1. Additional pastoral support
2. New leaders for key committees, including LT
3. Building upgrades
4. Clarifying our church’s vision
5. First-time faith commitments & baptisms
6. Mission trip: Midway Bible Camp

Let’s pray for:

- A grateful heart as we see the LORD at work in our daily lives.
- The many people affected by the recent hurricanes.
- Those with health concerns: Anne Enns, Selma Friesen (Fernwood), Bill Lepp (Palliative Care, Rest Haven), Mary A. Loewen, Sarah Peters (Grunthal Menno Home).
- Our care-home residents/house-bound members: Sophie Brown, Helen Enns, Ed Friesen, Elma Friesen, Helen Heide, Tina Hiebert, Jake & Anne Janzen (Red River Valley Lodge, Morris), Bill & Aggie Lepp, Mary A. Loewen, Sarah Peters (Grunthal Menno Home), Tina Regehr, Henry & Lydia Reimer, Herb Suderman (Bethesda Place), Mary Unger (Niverville).
- Our missionaries & members in service: Cohle & Rebecca Bergen, Melissa, Mike Kehler, Lloyd & Carol Letkeman, Jeremy & Adrienne Penner, Sandra Plett, Morgan & Krista Serger, Henry & Mic Thiessen Haggai Institute (Check their blog: <https://maimusings3.blogspot.ca/>), Samir & Lewiza Youssef. (In Missionary Mailbox: Letter from Mike Kehler, Melissa, MB Mission October Daily Prayer Guide)

Missions Minute

Jeremy and Adrienne Penner write... “At a family camp for Myanmar migrant workers, 15 people gave their lives to Christ!”



Each Wednesday evening, 7-8 PM, two of your Leadership Team members & other prayer ministers are available to you for prayer. If you desire prayer for physical, emotional or spiritual needs, come & allow yourself to be prayed over. Location: Prayer Room (use office entrance)

NEW CHURCH PHONE DIRECTORY

Please check the existing phone directory & call the church office (204-326-3551) with additions, changes, & updates. We would love to include all who call SMBC their home church.

There is also a table set up in the foyer where you can fill out your information and leave in the box provided. For those who live in rural areas, please check the enlarged map to confirm where you live.



Welcome!

Thank you for being with us today.

We'd like to get acquainted & minister to you more effectively. Please complete & place into the offering plate, give to an usher or leave at the Info Center.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I'm new to SMBC.
- I'm updating my info.
- I want to know more about following Jesus.
- I'm interested in joining a Small Group.
- I'm interested in baptism.
- I'm interested in becoming a member.
- I have a prayer request / praise item.

NOTES:



SMBC Mission Statement

We are disciples of Jesus Christ being transformed by the Holy Spirit to communicate and demonstrate God's love to 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.



Sew-n-Sews

Request - We are looking for fabric to make more quilts. Do you have sheets, duvet covers or other fabric that would make good quilts? Bring your donation to the church office. Thank you!

Trial Evening Event: Are you interested in seeing what the Sew-n-Sews do? Are you interested in joining them? They will be meeting on Wednesday, October 18 at 7 pm in Heritage Hall for a trial evening quilting time.

Last Sunday
Attendance: 313
Offering: Budget - \$8,430.00 Loan - \$1,925.00



Encountering the Living God

Sunday, October 8, 2017
Sunday School - 9:30 AM
Worship Service - 10:45 AM

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God!” Ephesians 2:8

Service Leader: Chris Thiessen
Music Leaders: Arlen & Jessica Penner



Communion – All elements are gluten-free.

Message: Pastor Walter
No Other Gospel - Part 4: Grace Alone

CHILDREN'S CHURCH/NURSERY

Family Room: Available for parents with small children.

Nursery (ages 0-2): Please sign in at the booth in Heritage Hall; drop off your child during the service.

Children's Church (ages 3-6); Sign in at the booth in Heritage Hall prior to the church service.

Today's Nursery Workers: Sandee Pauls, Lili Wiens, Michelle Peters, Bri Winkler

Today's Children's Church Workers: Bob & Kathy Winkler, Lois Bergmann, Carolyn Dyck, Andrea Lepp, Olivia Dyck

Oct. 15 Nursery Workers: Erika Schulz, Melanie Wiebe, Irina Schulz, Johanna Martens

Oct. 15 Children's Church Workers: Myrna Reimer, Josef & Melanie Reich, Bri Winkler, Linda Goertzen, Rachel Winkler



STEINBACH MENNONITE BRETHERN CHURCH

LEAD PASTOR: Walter Fast (walterfast@mymts.net)

PASTOR of STUDENT MINISTRIES: Bobby Klassen (bobbyklassen@mymts.net)

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS: Barb Hamm/Kathy Winkler (steinbachmbchurch@gmail.com)

YOUTH MINISTRY INTERN: Bre Mantyka (bre.mantyka@gmail.com)

Pastor's Welcome Class

Are you wondering who we are, what we stand for and how you might get involved at SMBC?

Are you perhaps desiring to "join the team" (membership)?

Maybe you just have some questions about "church" or this church?

Why not join Pastor Walter for this seminar? Each week there will be time for Q&A.

When? Sundays 9:30 AM, from Nov 19 – Dec 10

Where? Pastor Walter's study (office area)

Note: if you are interested in becoming a member at SMBC, then this class is for you!

Please contact pastor Walter if you are planning on attending!

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