

# October

## at Sevenoaks



### We Exist:

To know Jesus and to make Him known

### We Value:

Gospel, Life, Family, Dependence, Mission

It was a massive blessing to return to Costa Rica this summer and be a part of our Youth and Young Adults missions trip there. We spent most of our time in the community of Montufar, where Inca Link is connected to a local Alliance church. They also partner with the local municipal government. This partnership enables them to run their basketball and soccer ministries out of a local park. The children, youth and adults of the community love these ministries. Inca Link was strategic in choosing these sports as connecting points for long term relationship building and it has enabled them to share the Gospel and disciple many young people.



God's mission to this world takes place in faraway places like Costa Rica but it also takes place right here in Abbotsford. Our current sermon series that will carry on into October is all about what our church is called to, Knowing Jesus and Making Jesus Known - focusing on the making Him known part. How can you be intentional in sharing Jesus with the people God has put in your life? One way to share Jesus with your community is through our Fall Carnival on the evening of Friday, October 24. This is a great opportunity to engage with local community in our parish area. Please pray for this gathering and plan to be a part of it. Consider signing up to serve at the Fall Carnival. Invite your neighbors, friends, family or anyone else God lays on your heart. May God be glorified as we faithfully follow Him.

**-Pastor Zach**

### Sundays in October

*Join us for worship at 10am*

Oct 5	Making Jesus Known	Matt. 9:36-38
Oct 12	Thanksgiving Service	
Oct 19	Guest Preacher: Brad Cheese	
Oct 26	Titus	Titus 1



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### Women's Ministry - Bible Study

Women! The Wednesday morning bible study has started, and you are welcome to join. Come soak in the Word of God, enter worship time through song, and study with everyone through the video series 'The Lord's Prayer'. See you Wednesday mornings at 9:30-11am.

### Men's Ministry Breakfast

October 18, 2025 at 8am

Tickets \$10/each

Guest Speaker: Everet Carter

### Good Friends

Thursday, October. 16, 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel  
Featuring a short mission presentation by Don Dirks. We will then car pool to the Blue Heron Nature Reserve in Chilliwack and enjoy a hot dog roast at the park. Food Provided. Bring your own beverage and lawn chair.

### Office Front Door Security

Church family, as you know, our office hours are Mon – Thurs 8am to 4pm. In September we started locking the front door and turning on the voice mail to answer calls for the lunch hour (12:00pm to 1:00pm) and coffee breaks (10:00-10:15 and 2:30-2:45). We have made this change for two reasons: firstly, our administrative staff were unable to take their full breaks as they were answering phones and responding to people at the front desk and secondly during lunch and coffee breaks the front office area was unsupervised. With the increase of crime in the downtown area we determined for everyone's safety and the security of the building it was best to lock the office door during breaks. If you need to come to the church during any breaktime please let the Pastor know that you are connecting with or call the admin staff to arrange entrance. Thank you everyone and if you have any questions please contact Pastor Matthew.  
mcarter@sevenoaks.org



**Friday, October 24**  
**5:30-9 PM**

*Grab your family, friends and neighbors and come make fall memories together!*

**fun games, prizes,  
live music, hot dogs,  
balloon animals,  
pie eating contest  
...and more**

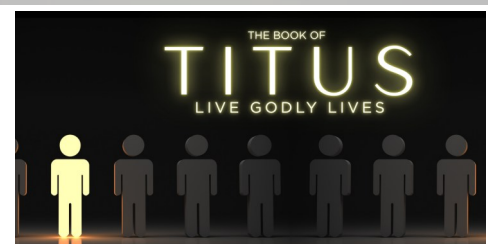
We'll be collecting items for the Food Bank. Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to share with those in need.

### Coming Up Next Month

#### Praise Night — November 1, 2025

Come for an evening of extended prayer, worship through song, and the word.

**New  
Sermon  
Series:**





**Kids Church** (6mths-gr6)  
**Join us Sundays at 10am**  
*Jesus, Friends and Fun!*

Welcome to a new and exciting year at Sevenoaks Kids! We're thrilled to grow in faith, discover more of God's love, and walk with Jesus together as we learn and celebrate all He has in store for us.

## 2024–2025 School Year

It's that time again! All kids who join us at Sevenoaks Kids need to be registered for the new school year. You can register using the QR code, online on the church website or at the registration desk in the Hillcrest entrance.



Thinking about getting involved with Sevenoaks Kids? We'd love to have you on the team! There are so many ways to serve as we encourage kids and their families to walk with Jesus and experience His love.

## Joyful Bites

Once a month, our Children's Ministry celebrates a different National Food Day. If you're a part of our kids' ministry – you won't want to miss these! This month on October 19th, we are celebrating National Chocolate Cupcake Day!



## What we are learning

Magic tricks and illusions have a way of sparking wonder and curiosity. But long before today's magicians, Daniel and his friends stood out during the Babylonian exile. They were wiser than the magicians and astrologers of their time because they looked to God for wisdom. Through their brave actions and wise choices, they showed God's power to everyone around them—no tricks needed! In this 4-week series, kids will learn that **God helps us choose wisely, God is ready to rescue us, God's words show us what to do, and our courage can help others see God.**



For all youth and young adults events, contact Pastor Zach for information or to register.  
[zmeisenheimer@sevenoaks.org](mailto:zmeisenheimer@sevenoaks.org)

Sevenoaks Youth is all about knowing Jesus with all our hearts, souls, minds and strength—and making Jesus known in our communities of friends, schools, and families. Come hang out with us and get to know the God who loves you!

## Youth

(Grade 6-12)

### Breakout Night

Wednesday, October 1 6:30pm  
Various Homes

### Firm Foundation - Part 1

Wednesday, October 8 6:30pm  
Upper Room

### City Wide (Grades 9-12)

Thursday, October 9 7-9:15pm  
Central Heights Church Building

### Corn Maze

Wednesday, October 15 6:15pm  
Green Acres Corn Maze - Chilliwack  
\$15 per student

### Sunday Morning Gathering

Sunday, October 19 10am  
Upper Room

### Firm Foundation - Part 2

Wednesday, October 22 6:30pm  
Upper Room

### Invite Night - Costume Party

Wednesday, October 29 6:30pm  
Upper Room

## Young Adults

(18-30 year olds)

### The Chosen - Viewing/Discussion/Prayer

Tuesday, October 7/21/28 6:30pm  
Upper Room

### Gathering @ Mike & Lisa's

Friday, October 17 6:30pm

## October at a Glance

For Children, Youth & Young Adults events, see page 3.  
For event details, look inside or visit [sevenoaks.org](https://sevenoaks.org)

October 5	Communion, Cookies & Coffee
October 13	Office Closed - Thanksgiving
October 14	Ukrainian Community Food Bank
October 18	Men's Breakfast
October 20	Neighborhood Satellite Food Bank
October 23	Good Friends
October 24	Fall Carnival

## Every Week at Sevenoaks

Sun	Life Change	8:45am	Rm 105/107
	Prayer	9am	Rm 103
Mon	ARMinistry	7pm	Chapel
Wed	AM Prayer	7:15am	Rm 101
	PM Prayer	7pm	Rm 101
Sat	Men's Prayer	8am	Rm 101

## Coming in November

November 1	Praise Night
November 9	Kawkawa Camp Sunday
November 11	Office Closed for Remembrance Day

Prayer Chain requests call/text 604 855 3156



Lead Pastor  
Pastor to Seniors  
Executive-Worship Pastor  
Pastor to Children  
Pastor to Youth & Young Adults

## Pastoral Staff

Jamie Fox  
Jack Campbell  
Matthew Carter  
Carmen Fischer  
Zachary Meisenheimer

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

*Cheerful sacrificial giving is part of our life in Christ, an act of worship to the living God and an expression of trust in Him. Your generosity helps us fulfil our shared vision of knowing Jesus and making Him known.*

*(As of June 22, 2025)*

*Year-to-Date General Fund Income*

*Actual Income: \$644,252*

*Required Per Budget: \$776,082*

*Deficit: \$131,830*

*Deficit as of Dec 31, 2024 \$24,037*

### Options for Giving

For those who worship with us in person on Sunday mornings, offering boxes can be found in the Chapel lobby and at the Information Centre.

To learn about secure options for giving online, come and speak to us in the Information Centre or visit our website.

**[www.sevenoaks.org/pages/give](https://www.sevenoaks.org/pages/give)**

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