

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Office & Daycare Closed for Labor Day Sunshine Grp Mall Mondays 9 am		Ladies Crochet Group 1 pm Truth/Training Team Mtg 7:30 pm			Men's Ministry H&B 9 am Dixon Range 10 am
7 Happy Grandparents Day 	8 Sunshine Grp Mall Mondays 9 am	9	10 Ladies Crochet Group 1 pm	11 Ladies Bible Study 10 am	12	13 Baby Shower M & H Blackburn 10:30am
Deacon's Meeting 8:30 am Membership Class 9:30 am	15 Sunshine Grp Mall Mondays 9 am	16 Choir Fest Sweat Memorial Baptist 6:30 pm	17 Ladies Crochet Group 1 pm	18 Ladies Bible Study 10 am Pickleball 6 pm	19	20
21 Administrative Team Mtg 5 pm	22 Sunshine Grp Mall Mondays 9 am	23	24 Ladies Crochet Group 1 pm	25 Ladies Bible Study 10 am	26	27
28	29 Sunshine Grp Mall Mondays 9 am	30				

The Good News of Second Baptist Church



September 2025

PASTORAL STAFF

Daniel Harding
Pastor

Clint & Harriet Bowman
Mission Development

Mike Carter
Minister of Music

Joey Fitzgerald
Student Minister

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From the Pastor

This past Wednesday night we looked at Luke 11, where Jesus teaches his disciples to pray. He reminded them that even though we (parents) are selfish at times, we still know how to give good gifts to our children—and how much more does our heavenly Father know how to give good gifts to us!

As parents, we want to give our children gifts like safety, hope, encouragement, and affection. One of the greatest gifts we can also give is a knowledge of God's Word and the truth of His love. We share this firsthand through our own teaching and example, and we can reinforce it through the consistent rhythms of Bible study groups.

In these classes, prepared teachers use games, music, hands-on activities, and vivid lessons to bring God's Word to life. Week by week, story builds on story and principle on principle, creating a foundation that is truly life-giving and life-changing.

We invite you to join us each Sunday at 9:30 as together we help our children—and ourselves—grow in God's Word.

PreK 1 | Cindy Hyers, Jan McClain
PreK 2 | Jeanne Cooper, Caroline Griffin,
Madison Robbins
K-2 | Brandy Mizell, Brandon Mizell
3-5 | Daniel Harding
6-8 | Joey Fitzgerald
9-12 Boys | Chad Boyett
9-12 Girls | Amy Fitzgerald

Ministry Schedule

Please go to the Church website at secondbaptistwaycross.com for access to videos and class schedules.

Ministry Supper

Supper is served each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall from 5:30 to 6:00 pm. **Suggested donations - \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family.** Take-out plates are \$6.00 per plate.

Menu

- Sept 3 ~ Tacos
- Sept 10 ~ Hamburgers/Hot Dogs
- Sept 17 ~ Pancake Breakfast
- Sept 24 ~ Chicken Tenders



Baby Shower

The Ladies Ministry will host a baby shower for Megan & Hayden Blackburn on Saturday, September 13 at 10:30 am. All ladies are invited! They are expecting a boy and are registered at babylist.com.

Music Ministry ~ Mike Carter

Worship Choir News

With September arriving, we usually get increased opportunities to involve ourselves in more special activities. I would like to invite you all to join in and sing with our choir at a community worship called Choir Fest! Choir Fest is currently slated for Tuesday, September 16. Come join us at Sweat Memorial Baptist Church that evening (6:30 pm) for a community choir-led worship. See Bro. Mike for more details if you are interested.

Praising Him together ! Bro. Mike



Senior Adults

Senior Adults continue to meet and walk at the mall each Monday, 9-9:30 am and then have breakfast at Hog n Bones. If you can't come walk with us, please meet with us for breakfast and fellowship!

Ministry Schedule

SUNDAY

Sunday School	9:30 am
Morning Worship	10:30 am
Children's Church	
No Evening Worship	

WEDNESDAY

Ministry Supper	5:30 - 6:00 pm
OASIS Kids	6:15 - 7:30 pm
Youth	6:15 - 7:30 pm
Adult Prayer & Bible Study	6:15 - 7:15 pm
Adult Choir Practice	7:30 pm

Church Staff

Misty Perkins	Financial Secretary
Belinda Thompson	Secretary/Receptionist
Bonnie Crews	Church Custodian
Henry Ross	Maintenance

Deadlines

Items for the October 2025 Newsletter are DUE by September 22.
All items for the Sunday Bulletins are DUE each Wednesday.

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Our Purpose Statement

Second Baptist Church unites in fellowship and love to exalt our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to evangelize the lost, and to edify and equip the saints for the work of the ministry.

Our Vision Statement

Second Baptist Church, as an Acts 1:8 church, seeks to honor God and join Him in growing Kingdom Ministry in the Waycross/Ware County Area, Georgia, America and the World through: Exciting Worship, Challenging Discipleship, Effective Evangelism.

Monthly Stewardship Report

Thru August 24

S. S. Attendance Average	171
Contributions	\$ 29,974.65



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Student Ministry News ~ Joey Fitzgerald, Student Minister

Mark 10:43-45 “. . . Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” What a blessed encouragement for us as disciples of Christ to have an opportunity to grow by serving and selflessness. Dear Lord, let us be servants of one another, proclaiming the good works of Christ, and seek kingdom growth!

I am so excited by the opportunities that come with gathering together in prayer and worship! We have some wonderful things underway and coming up with our youth this fall, some of these being BCM (Baptist Collegiate Ministries) here at the college, FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) in our middle schools and high school, our local Miracle League at Trembling Earth, and more. If you are interested in volunteering and being a part of our youth program, please join me this Sunday evening (9/31) at 6pm in our social hall to discuss ways to support the growth of our students throughout the year.

Pickleball cranks up for guys and gals (16+) beginning 10/18. If you would like to jump in and play singles or doubles, please fill out a registration form on the church website www.secondbaptistwaycross.com/events. We would love for you to join us!

Thank you for your prayers, love, and support for the Second Baptist Youth program.

Sincerely, Joey Fitzgerald

SECOND BAPTIST WAYCROSS



GOED PICKLEBALL League

Ages 16+

Register Now!

Games on Tuesdays
First Matches
Thursday 9/18
@ 6/7pm

\$20
/Person

Teams made up of
Doubles and Singles
players

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We invite you to join us at

Oasis

Faith. Fun. Friendships.

Wednesdays 6:15-7:30 pm
Begins August 13th

Missions & Outreach ~ Clint Bowman

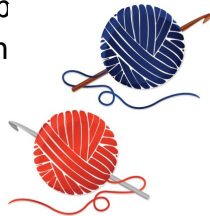
Today, I read an emailed newsletter which went out from the Global Gates missionary organization and found this information. Thought I'd share it. (By the way, you will find the same information being shared through International Mission Board channels as well.) Here is the quote: "When unreached peoples remain outside the Church, the full mosaic of God's Kingdom on earth is incomplete, lacking the diversity and beauty that each nation, tribe, and tongue brings to the body of Christ. The apostle Paul exemplifies prioritization in Romans 15:20a: "It has always been my ambition to preach the gospel where Christ was not known..." Yet today, statistics tell us that only 3% of missionaries are sent to unreached peoples. Globally, 87% of Muslims, Hindus, and Buddhists have never met a Christian, and just 1.7% of Christian giving supports efforts to reach the unreached. There's a need for a shift." If this speaks to your heart and you would like to know what you can do to affect a positive change in these statistics, please talk to me or Harriet.

Will you be a part of our outreach to Puerto Rico in March? The trip will be March 14-20. Please contact me soon if you want to have a spot reserved for you to make this trip. We will coordinate with the Spanish teacher from Lighthouse Christian school on this trip. They have 5 students who are wanting to make the trip as well as a couple of chaperones. I've reserved 12 spots for our church to send people on this trip. Your costs will be about \$1,000. That'll cover food, lodging, and the cost of the roundtrip tickets. We don't yet have a true cost but planning for \$1000 per person should be about right, based on last year's figures.

Sunday School leaders, please go over your rolls and let's be sure that we are reaching out to those who are inactive at this point. Thank you for the great work you folks do leading our classes.

Ladies Ministry

The Ladies' Crochet group meet every Wednesday in Room 504 at 1:00 pm. Want to learn how to crochet? Come, and we will teach you how!



Do you ever wonder about Heaven? The next ladies Bible study will be "Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven" by Dr. David Jeremiah. We will meet for 6 sessions on Thursday mornings from 10:00-11:30 am in Room 305 beginning September 11. Bible study books will be \$11 each; pay Belinda in the church office. Please sign up in the back hallway. We hope you can join us!

In November, Mike and April Carter will celebrate 30 years here at Second Baptist. On October 26, we will celebrate this milestone with him and his family. We would like you to send any pictures you may have of Mike to Belinda as soon as possible. You can email pics to bthompsonsbc@gmail.com or bring them by the office (put your name on the back of your pictures). Thanks

Honoring the Gift of Work

The Bible affirms both the value and dignity of work. From the beginning, God placed Adam in the garden “to work it and keep it” (Genesis 2:15, ESV). In the fourth commandment, we are reminded not only to observe the Sabbath, but also to labor diligently throughout the week: “Six days you shall labor, and do all your work” (Exodus 20:9, ESV).

Work is more than a routine obligation; it is an opportunity to engage our God-given abilities in meaningful ways. Whether using our hands, minds, or hearts, we reflect the image of our Creator—bringing order, care, and creativity into the world.

Our labor allows us to contribute to the common good, find personal fulfillment, and practice faithful stewardship of the talents and strengths God has entrusted to us. As Paul writes, “We are God’s fellow workers” (1 Corinthians 3:9, ESV).

On this Labor Day, may we take time to recognize the blessing of work and celebrate those who serve, build, teach, lead, and labor with purpose and care.

—Author unknown

New Members

Matthew Ebersole

Tiffany Ebersole

Ethan Ebersole
by Baptism

Skylar Carter
by Baptist

James Melton
by Baptism

Lisa Melton
by Baptism



The Deacons will meet on
Sunday, Sept. 14 at 8:30 am.

Membership Class

Sunday, September 14 at 9:30 am
This is an informational class for
anyone considering membership
at Second Baptist.

Thank You Notes

Dear Second Baptist Church,

To all the people who worked so hard and for giving of their time and energy to building our wheel chair ramp for both of us and making our lives better. We sincerely thank each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
Donald & Mary Martin

Dear Second Baptist,

My ramp is beautiful! Man do I mean it, you are great and I am so blessed. We serve a wonderful Master. If you don’t know Him, you need to get to know Jesus today. Such a blessing this church is. I love you all.

In Christ,
Bobbie Eldean Arrington

Dear Second Baptist,

Thank you so much for your support as I move to Peru I am beyond thankful. Your partnership in the ministry in Peru is such a blessing.

Sincerely,
Kayla Johnson

Men’s Event -- September 6

Come join us for a time of fellowship
and breakfast at Hog n Bones at 9am.
Then we meet at 10 am at
Dixon Range.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for your prayers. We truly could not stand to deliver any good work without them. To know that the Body of Christ is both aware and active in reaching out to those most hurting in our community gives us the assurance that God is working through us all. Thank you for joining us in our journey.

Words cannot express the gratitude we have in our hearts for your kindness and most generous gift to our community. We are so blessed to be a part of Jesus’ hands and feet and you have enabled the LORD to bless and meet needs all around. The words, Blessed to Bless, have been used for many years among our faith family. They are not just words to us but an active movement of God. We understand God’s goodness to us and through us is not to remain with us but to bless those around us. You have helped to enable a wonderful group of people to minister in tough times with the promise that we are not going anywhere. We have not been on the receiving end of such blessings before but are grateful you have chosen to walk with us through your prayers and resources.

When the work is asking, “Why did this happen?”, it is encouraging that the church is asking, “What can we do?” Thank you again for your prayers, thoughts, and generous resources in which God will use to make Himself known. You are a blessing to us.

“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. Eph. 3:20-21

In Christ,
Pastor John Wheat
Trinity Baptist Church
Kerrville, Texas