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LIFE TOGETHER AT SECOND BAPTIST

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

## THIS WEEK AT 2B (11/11-11/17)

### 11 WEDNESDAY

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| 10:00 AM | Beginner's Bridge |
| 10:30 AM | Low Vision Support Group |
| 2:00 PM | Senior Adult Fellowship |
| 3:00 PM | Vitalant Blood Drive |
| 4:00 PM | Prayer Shawl Ministry |
| 5:15 PM | Dinner |
| 6:00 PM | Small Groups for all ages |
| 6:30 PM | Orchestra Rehearsal |
| 7:00 PM | Second Voices Choir Rehearsal |

### 12 THURSDAY

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| 6:45 AM | Jesus and Grits - Chicken Run Cafe |

### 13 FRIDAY

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| ALL DAY | Office Closed |

### 15 SUNDAY

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| 9:30 AM | Worship and Communion |
| 10:45 AM | Small Groups for All Ages |
| 12:00 PM | Potluck/ Congretional Conversation |
| 4:00 PM | Bells Gloria Rehearsal |
| 6:00 PM | Al-Anon Family Group |

### 16 MONDAY

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| 6:00 PM | Learn to Play Mahjong |

### 17 TUESDAY

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| 6:30 AM | Tues Morning Prayer Breakfast |
| 9:00 AM | Food Bank Distribution @ 2B |
| 11:00 AM | B&B Book Club Meeting |




## UPCOMING EVENTS

**2B CARE MINISTRY**
November 18




**THANKSGIVING BINGO NIGHT**
November 18
Read more on page 5.

**WORSHIP TEAM MEETING**
November 22

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED- THANKSGIVING**
November 25-27

**VLT MEETING**
November 30

*Wandering and Wondering*

## When Community Becomes Family

Some things have struck me over the last few weeks. Since I've been your pastor, we have used the word community a lot. And we should. That's what we are.

But when a community really does life together, they become a family. And that word changes everything.

Because families are easy and complex. They are agreeable and able to disagree. They are willing, hopefully, to dig in and get messy if need be. And when families are at their best, they want to do all they can for each other.

In our most recent Vision Leadership Team meeting, we were discussing the budget, and one of our members said, "This is my family. I want to do what I can for my family."

I've thought about those words a lot.

We are in a moment when this family needs a little extra help.

I know that isn't necessarily what anyone wants to hear, especially at a time when the cost of nearly everything seems to be increasing. Groceries, utilities, insurance, and the everyday expenses of life are stretching household budgets. And those same rising costs affect the life and ministry of Second Baptist.

But here's what I also know. We are not going to stop being the church God has called us to be. We are not going to stop welcoming people into a place of belonging, caring for those who are hurting, nurturing children and youth, or reaching beyond our walls to serve our community.

Those things matter too much.

Our budget is not simply a collection of numbers on a spreadsheet. It is an expression of our commitments and our priorities. Behind those numbers are people, relationships, ministries, and opportunities to live out Love. All. Now.

And sustaining those commitments requires all of us.

I recognize that we do not all have the same financial resources. For some, giving more may be a genuine hardship. For others, there may be room to stretch beyond what has become comfortable or routine. But I am asking each of us to prayerfully consider what sacrificial generosity might look like in this season.

Not because we are trying to meet an arbitrary financial goal, but because the work we do together is worth supporting.

Families are not held together because everyone contributes the same amount or has the same abilities. They are held together by a shared commitment to care for one another and to do what they can.

And that brings me back to the words spoken in our VLT meeting.

"This is my family. I want to do what I can for my family."

I hope those words will stay with us as we consider our giving in the weeks ahead. Not as a burden or an obligation, but as an expression of the love and commitment we share.

I am grateful for the generosity that has sustained Second Baptist for generations. And I am grateful for the opportunity we have to continue that story together.

Because this is our family. And what we do together matters.

# CHRISTMAS AT SECOND B Schedule

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| DECEMBER 6, 4PM | OPEN HOUSE AT PASTOR CARRIE'S HOUSE |
| DECEMBER 9, 5PM | 2B CHRISTMAS DINNER |
| DECEMBER 13, 4PM | SERVICE OF HOPE |
| DECEMBER 13, 5PM | YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY |
| DECEMBER 14 + 15, 6PM | ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE BELLS CONCERT |
| DECEMBER 20, 4PM | CAROLING AND SUPPER |
| DECEMBER 24, 5PM | CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE |

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

# Dreaming Beyond Ourselves

*An Invitation to Sunday's Dream Stage Gathering*

When I think about the beginnings of Second Baptist Church, I think about the young families who came together to create something new. They were building careers, raising children, and imagining their own futures. Yet they dared to dream about something bigger than themselves.

They dreamed of a church.

They couldn't have known what Second Baptist would become, the ministries that would emerge, or the lives that would be changed. But they dreamed anyway. And we are living in the future they helped create.

Recently, I read a reflection by Randy Woodley about the Indigenous wisdom of considering the seventh generation when making decisions. It is an invitation to think beyond ourselves, recognizing that what we plant today may grow into something we will never see.

This Sunday evening, we gather for the Dream Stage of our visioning process. Like those first families, we have an opportunity to imagine what God might do through Second Baptist for generations to come.

What needs might we meet? Who might discover a place of belonging? What might be possible in Lubbock because we dared to dream beyond what we already know?

We don't need to arrive with answers or fully formed plans. Just open hearts, curious minds, and a willingness to imagine together.

Perhaps the most meaningful way to honor the dreams of those who came before us is to have the courage to dream for those who will come after us.

I hope you'll join us Sunday evening.

-Pastor Carrie Veal



## 2B KIDS CORNER

### 2B KIDS VOLUNTEER LUNCH AND LEARN UPDATE

We are so grateful for our incredible 2B Kids volunteers! This past Sunday, our volunteers gave up part of their afternoon to gather for a Lunch & Learn, spending time building relationships, sharing ideas, reviewing safety practices, and preparing for the months ahead. Their enthusiasm, creativity, and genuine love for our children are such a gift to our church family. It takes a special group of people to make sure every child knows they belong, and we are blessed with some of the very best!













## Adult Retreat 2027

Calling all new 2bers, the annual adult retreat will be in **Santa Fe, February 5-7**! This special time will provide a beautiful getaway, a chance to get to know others better, and the chance to hear Miroslav Volf, author of Life Worth Living. You will not want to miss out. Visit the table in the foyer to pick up an explanatory brochure and talk with someone about their retreat experiences.







## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### RIDE TRANSPORTATION TEAM

Help provide rides for those in need. Contact **Quin** with any questions.

### FOOD BANK DISTRIBUTION

Help distribute food on Tuesdays. Contact Debby Zuehlke or the office, or sign up **here.**

## Plastic Bags Needed

If you have any extra plastic grocery bags in good condition laying around, please consider donating them to the church for our Food Bank Distribution on Tuesday mornings. You can bring them to Quin in the office or leave them outside the office. Thank you!

## ADULTS & SMALL GROUPS

There's a place for you to connect, study, fellowship and grow in faith.

Find a group for all ages that fits your season.

**LEARN MORE AT**
**secondb.org/discipleship**

## WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

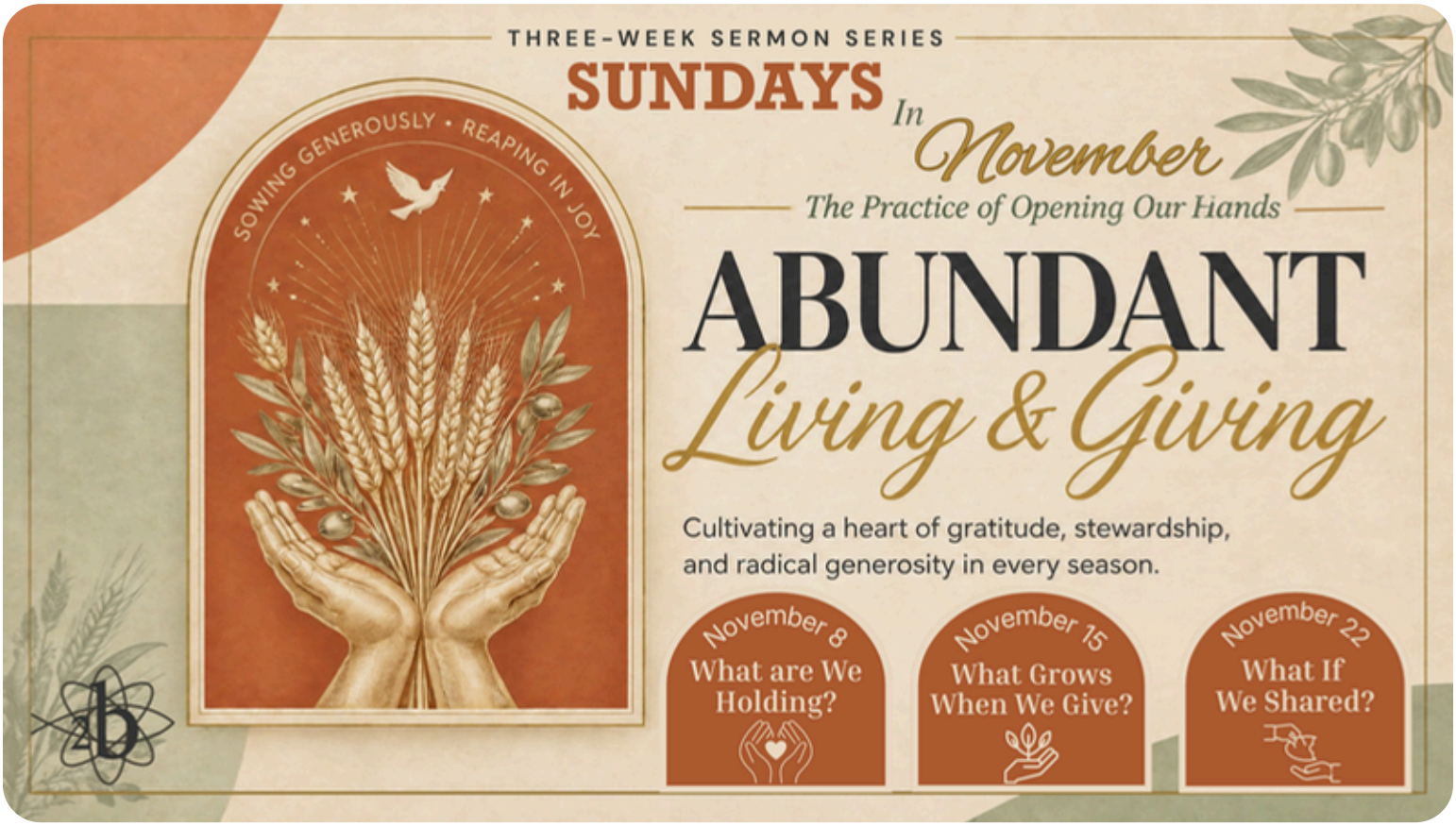
We would love to connect with you in a more personal way.

Scan the QR code to fill out a connection card.

**LEARN MORE AT**
**secondb.org/welcome**

## Sick Children's Clinic Toy Donation

The **Sick Children's Clinic** is looking for **small toys and trinkets** to be donated to their clinic for the holiday season. These toys serve as small gifts for the children that the clinic sees. If you are willing to donate, please deliver toys to Quin in the office. Thank you for helping to spread some Christmas cheer!



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| NOV 18 | 2B Care Ministry<br>Thanksgiving Bingo Night |
| NOV 22 | Worship Implementation Team Meeting |
| NOV 25-27 | Church Office Closed- Thanksgiving |
| NOV 30 | VLT Meeting- 6:30 PM |
| DEC 2 | 2B Care Ministry |
| DEC 3 | St. Benedict's Chapel Day |

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: DID YOU KNOW?

As we (rapidly!) approach year end, it's timely to say that beginning in 2026, individuals can deduct $1,000 of charitable contributions without having to itemize deductions. That amount is $2,000 for couples filing jointly. That means you can save on your taxes while providing much needed help for 2nd B. Please be mindful and prayerful in your support. And for other tax savings ways to give, please contact Tracy in the church office.

## WAYS TO GIVE

**ONLINE**
**secondb.org/give**

**IN PERSON**
Drop in offering box

**BY MAIL**
6109 Chicago Ave
Lubbock, TX 79424

SCAN TO GIVE

## NEED PRAYER?

Our deacon and prayer team is here for you. Submit a request, or pray for others.

SCAN ME

## DID YOU MISS?

Looking for our important announcements, but you just can't find them? Check the website for our Did You Miss section to keep in the loop on events that might not be running in the Second Page, but should still be on your radar.

**secondb.org/didyoumiss**




**WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU**

**Adults: $10.00; Kids: FREE!**
Turkey, beans, sweet cream corn, potato salad, bread, and peach cobbler

RSVP NOW!
**secondb.org/wednesday**

## GOT NEWS?

Have a 2B event, announcement, or update that needs to go in the newsletter, worship slides, or social media? Tell us by clicking the picture on the right or email **frontdesk@secondb.org**.
**Please try to have this turned in by Monday at noon.**




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