



# SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH **THE WEEKLY**

Faith Community Newsletter

## SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH *Christmas 2011*

What Child Is This?



### Mission Statement

Second Baptist Church is committed to fostering:

- Meaningful, Christ-centered community
- Whole-life faith
- A transforming missional presence

### Sunday Mornings with Us . . .

#### Welcome Center & Coffee Bar

Kansas Street Entrance (South)

**8:30 a.m. Worship**  
in Tutt Chapel

Leonard Street Entrance (West)

**9:45–10:45 a.m.**

**Bible Study for All Ages**

**11:00 a.m. Worship**  
in Sanctuary

Franklin Street Entrance  
(North)

**12.25.11**

**Saturday, December 24**  
**Christmas Eve Worship**  
**Candlelight and Communion**

5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.  
*Shepherds / Luke 2:1–20*

**Sunday, December 25**  
**Christmas Day**

Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
*Simeon and Anna / Luke 2:21–40*



## SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH *Christmas Eve*

**Candlelight and Communion Services**  
**5:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.**

Our traditional Candlelight and Communion worship on Christmas Eve is a very special time to share music, carols, Communion and a Christmas message. We close with a beautiful congregational candlelight experience. Worship with us at 5:00 p.m. or 11:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, December 24. We hope you, your friends and family will join us for this special worship.



ANNUAL CHURCH-WIDE

# New Year's Breakfast

Sunday, January 1

9:45 a.m.

(There will not be an 8:30 worship or Bible Study this morning.)

Please join us for a casual continental breakfast featuring fresh pastries, muffins, fruit, juice and specialty coffees.

Breakfast begins at 9:45 a.m. followed by our 11:00 a.m. worship.

**Note: Church will not be open until 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 1.**



COMING IN JANUARY . . .

# Coffee with the Pastor

Sunday, January 8, at 9:45 a.m.

in the Oak Room (Room 301)

Join us on Sunday, January 8, for an informal coffee with Pastor Jason Edwards and a few members of Second Baptist Church. Ask questions and chat about Second Baptist, how things work, and just anything you might want to know as you get more familiar with the faith family at Second.

Please RSVP to Maggie Henderson  
at [mhenderson@2bcliberty.org](mailto:mhenderson@2bcliberty.org)  
or call the church office at 816.781.2824.



# Wednesday Café

## RESUMES JANUARY 4



... a fresh take on Wednesday night.

### Join us Wednesdays!

Meals are catered by the Liberty HyVee kitchen. They've worked with us to provide a whole new menu of delicious choices that are modestly priced. Meals are served Wednesdays from **5:45–6:30 p.m.**

**Reservations are required by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.**

Reservations are easy because there are options. Online: Go to our website calendar

and click on the make reservations link. (It can even send you a reminder that you made reservations.) Email or call Maggie Henderson in the church office 781-2824 or [mhenderson@2bcliberty.org](mailto:mhenderson@2bcliberty.org) or visit the webpage: [2bcliberty.org/cafe](http://2bcliberty.org/cafe)

### MEAL COST

Ages 3 and under: Free; Ages 4–12: \$3.00; Ages 13 and older: \$5.00; the family maximum is \$15.

**Make Your Reservations at [2bcliberty.org/cafe](http://2bcliberty.org/cafe)**

## In Depth

**Adult Spiritual Formation on Wednesday Evenings (Begins Jan. 4)**

In January we will feature three of our Central Baptist Seminary Students. We look forward to hearing from Mark Buhlig, Joshua Smith, and Tyler Tankersley. They are enrolled in Central's *Create Program* working toward a Master of Divinity. This unique program of leadership and creativity provides an

education for students desiring to use their entrepreneurial ability in ministry.

The program consists of small groups of students working together for up to three years. Internships are required and overseas or mission immersion experiences are encouraged.

## ADDITIONAL WEDNESDAY NIGHT INFORMATION

### Weather Policy Reminder

Winter has arrived and we want to remind those participating in Wednesday evening activities of our inclement weather policy. If Liberty schools are canceled on a Wednesday, Second Baptist will **not** have Wednesday evening programming, this includes the meal and all activities.

### Volunteers Needed

We have been able to maintain a lower

price for our meals because of Ray and Kathleen Kesner's outstanding dishwashing talents and a host of volunteers to help with cleanup.

We need volunteers to run the dishwasher in January and February and 2 or 3 people to help with clean up each week.

If you would be willing to serve in this way contact Mike [mlassiter@2bcliberty.org](mailto:mlassiter@2bcliberty.org).

### MENUS

#### January 4

Soup and Salad: chicken noodle and cheddar baked potato, garden salad and cherry crisp

#### January 11

Meat loaf, glazed carrots, roll and butter, new potatoes and assorted brownies

#### January 18

Baked Potato, butter, sour cream, bacon, garden salad, apple pie

#### January 25

Chicken Cordon Bleu, vegetable medley, rolls and butter, cookies



**SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH**

## MISSIONS OFFERING AT

# Christmas 2011



As we celebrate the holidays this year, we also have the opportunity to give a gift to those who have felt passionate

and called to serve God among the most neglected people around the world—including the Americas. During November and December, Second Baptist supports the Global Missions Offering of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, our primary partner for missions.

Our offering, combined with the offerings from other churches, helps maintain over 135 field personnel. You can give an offering either in the offering plate or online at [2bcliberty.org/giving](http://2bcliberty.org/giving). Envelopes

are available in the pew racks and at the information wall in the Welcome Center.

In addition, you will want to add these mission moments to your calendar:

### **Missions: Where We Have Been 2011** **Wednesday, November 30 (6:30–7:15 p.m.)**

This is a fine opportunity to hear about our involvement with our mission partners during 2011. You will hear personal accounts about our efforts with Rebuilding Together—Clay County, South Dakota, Slovakia and Haiti.

### **Missions: Look Ahead at 2012** **Wednesday, December 7 (6:30–7:15 p.m.)**

This is your opportunity to understand our plans for Mission Teams and local involvement for 2012. Teams will be formed for multiple trips to serve in Joplin, South Dakota, Slovakia, and Haiti as well as local involvement. Can't make a trip? We will also explore several other ways for everyone to find a place to serve and be involved in Missions at 2BC.



CBF Global Missions Offering this year highlights the ministries of:

- Jade and Shelah Acker in seeking hope for refugees in Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, working with the former child soldiers who fought in Sudan's civil war.
- Touching Miami with Love, the ministry of Angel and Jason Pittman as they share Christ's hope with inner-city Miami youth.



**SECOND**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

CBF *Offering for*  
**GLOBAL MISSIONS** 

2011 MISSIONS OFFERING AT CHRISTMAS GOAL IS \$10,000!

**Our Total as of 12/18/2011: \$5917.50**

## Finding *your* place in Missions

at Second Baptist Church

# 2BC Mission Trips for 2012

As we look toward our plans for mission trips in 2012, there are a couple of ways to help.

- **Frequent Flyer Miles:** We could use frequent flyer miles as we plan the trip to Haiti; this would allow us to free up travel budget for other uses or allow others to participate.
- **Travel Trailer:** We are in need of a motor home or travel trailer to borrow. It would be placed at the church in Bridger, South Dakota, in June and July. If you or someone you know could help us with this, please contact Mike Lassiter.
- **Prayer:** You can also pray for discernment as we move forward with each of these trips. Some details continue to be worked out.

Registrations to be a part of a team for any of the trips will begin after the first of the year. Watch for both online and paper registration forms early in January.

**Teams consist of more than the people traveling, so please sign up to be a part of the team, even if you can't physically travel.** There are pre-trip details to coordinate, there will be information of interest shared with all team members, and you can pray for a trip and the people we partner with for the trip.

## JOPLIN, MO

**March 18–21 (Sunday–Wednesday)**

A team of up to 25 people  
Sign up by Sunday, March 11, 2012

Partnering with CBF of MO, we will work with the network of ministries established by Missourian and CBF on-site field volunteer Bob Barker.

lodging is in a church and travel is shorter making the cost minimal and affordable for individuals and families. The minimum age is 10 years old. Cost: \$50

## BRIDGER, SOUTH DAKOTA

**June 10–August 1 (8 weeks)**

This opportunity is for individuals, families, or groups up to four people who choose a week and work alongside Byron Buffalo in Bridger.

By staying in a travel trailer parked beside the UCC church you will be available to help mentor those working in the community garden or working with the chickens to provide at least a noon or dinner meal for community members and to continue building relationships with the people of Bridger. There is no cost for the lodging and \$100 per week will be provided for food. Cost: Your travel and personal needs.

## BRIDGER, SOUTH DAKOTA

**July 28–Aug. 2 (Saturday–Thursday)**

A team of up to 20 people  
Sign up by Sunday, July 15, 2011

Partnering with Lakota pastors through Together for Hope, the Rural Poverty Initiative of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, we spend time learning about the traditional Lakota culture, with Lakota people on the Cheyenne River Reservation.

We will work on building relationships, supporting better nutrition with a Community Garden and chickens, performing small home fix up/painting projects, and encouraging micro business opportunities.  
Cost: \$80/person.



## SLOVAKIA

**July 23–August 1**

**(10 days Monday–Wednesday)**

A team of up to 20 people including others from Missouri.

The goals are to serve alongside local Roma leaders, to experience worship with the Roma, and to gain appreciation for Roma and Slovakian culture and history. The tentative plan is focus on the Koptova School in Kocise along with Devleskero Kher (God's House), the local Roma church.

One option at the end of the trip will be to visit Auschwitz for the Day of Remembrance for the Roma gypsies exterminated as part of the Holocaust. We envision a 10-day visit. Cost will be about \$2500.

Contact Harold Phillips (hap@cbfmo.org or 415-0009) for more information and to sign up.

## HAITI

**November 4–10 (Sunday–Saturday)**

A team of up to six people.  
Sign up date to be announced.

Partnering with Josue Octeus, President of the Evangelical Churches of Haiti, we will begin initial planning with Pastors about a potential nutritional and economic development project through local churches and explore educational support, orphanage involvement and community development opportunities in the northern half of Haiti.

Cost: approximately \$650– \$750 per person.

# JANUARY: WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AND WORSHIP

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

- 8:30 a.m. .... Worship Service (Tutt Chapel)**
- 8:45 a.m..... Student Handbells
- 9:00 a.m.....Children's Choirs
- 9:45 a.m..... Bible Study (All ages)**
- 11:00 a.m..... Worship Service (Sanctuary)**
- 5:00 p.m.....The Gathering:  
Young Adult Ministry (Assembly Room)
- 5:30 p.m.....Student Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m.....Student *Innermission* . 1 . 2 . 3

## TUESDAYS

- 8:15 a.m. ....Ministry Team Community Group
- 9:30 a.m..... Staff Meeting
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship Planning
- 6:00 p.m.....Sermon Study Community Group  
(Open group)

## WEDNESDAYS

- 10:30 a.m. ....Intercessory Prayer Group (Assembly Room)
- 5:45–6:30 p.m.....**WEDNESDAY CAFÉ: FOOD & FELLOWSHIP**  
(Social Room)

### FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

- Adult Ministry**  
6:30–7:15 p.m.....In Depth Study (See page 3 for details)
- Children's Ministry**  
6:30–7:15 p.m.....Mission Friends, Girls' and Boys' Missions Groups

### Student Ministry

- 6:30–7:15 p.m.....Middle School Formations (Student Room 609)
- 6:30–7:45 p.m.....Jr. High Discussion Group (218 N. Leonard)
- 6:30–7:45 p.m.....Sr. High Discussion Group (429 Wilson)

### MUSIC MINISTRY

- 6:00 p.m.....Middle School Choir (Room 409)
- 6:15 p.m.....Adult Handbell Choir (Room 501)
- 7:20 p.m.....Sanctuary Choir Practice—Adults (Room 501)

## THURSDAYS

- 7:00 p.m.....Hands On Knitting Group (Open)

# JANUARY CALENDAR

WEEK 1

- Sunday, January 1**      **Food Share Sunday**  
**Church-wide New Year's Breakfast: 9:45 a.m.**  
**(No 8:30 worship or Bible study—Doors do not open until 9:00 a.m.)**
- Monday, January 2      Church Office Closed
- Tuesday, January 3      Women On Mission: 9:30 a.m.  
MOMsnext: 9:30 a.m.

WEEK 2

- Sunday, January 8**      **Epiphany Sunday**  
**Coffee with the Pastor: 9:45 a.m. (Oak Room 301)**  
**Deacon Meeting: 7:00 p.m. (Assembly Room)**
- Friday, January 13      MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Retreat (Social Room)
- Saturday, January 14      MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Retreat (Social Room)

WEEK 3

- Sunday, January 15**      **COMMUNION**  
**9:45 a.m.**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Connections Class Begins: New 5-week Series (Oak Room 301)**  
**Church Council Meeting**
- Monday, January 16      Martin Luther King Jr. Day (CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED)
- Friday, January 20**      **Women's Bunko Night**
- Saturday, January 21**      **Church-wide Chili Cookoff**

WEEK 4

- Friday, January 27      MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Steering Team Meeting  
GA Retreat

WEEK 5

- Sunday, January 29**      **Church Conference: 4:00 p.m.**  
**Committee Night Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

## QUICK NEWS

### POINSETTIA REMINDER

Those who provided poinsettias in honor or in memory of loved ones this Advent season, my pick up your poinsettia(s) after worship on Christmas Day. Thank you.

### PRAYER CONCERNS

#### PUTNAM COUNTY CARE CENTER, UNIONVILLE, MO

Genevieve Summers, Marilyn Buhlig's mom

Gary Moore, health

Jim Van Slyke, health

Dean Boring, health

### END-OF-YEAR REMINDERS

#### END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION REMINDER

Contributions for 2011 must be received in the office in the drop box (located in the entry hall of the Welcome Center) or postmarked by 12/31/2011 in order to be included on your 2011 contribution statement. **Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25) is the last Sunday in 2011.**

To ensure that your contributions are tax deductible, do not file your 2011 income tax return until you have received written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. These statements will be mailed by the end of January.

#### OTHER END-OF-YEAR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS DEADLINE

2011 financial transactions must be submitted to the Church Office no later than Monday, December 19, to Linda Jones or to [ljones@2bcliberty.org](mailto:ljones@2bcliberty.org). Financial transactions include reimbursements for purchases, bills for payment, purchase orders, check requests, or transfer of funds.

### HOLIDAY CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

A reminder of the Church Office hours this month.

December 23, 26: Church Office Closed

December 27–30: Abbreviated Office Hours (9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.)

January 2: Church Office Closed.

### PUBLICATION NOTE

There will **not** be a WEEKLY published next week (January 1). WEEKLYs will resume the first week of January with the January 8 issue. Additionally, there will be no WEEKLY e-newsletter sent out the week after Christmas. (Dec. 25–30).

A current prayer list and church event information is always available on our website and the worship guide for Sunday, January 1 will be available (as it is each week) on our websites at [2bcliberty.org/sermons](http://2bcliberty.org/sermons).

Visit us at: <http://2bcliberty.org>

## BIRTHDAYS

Duke, Marcia 12/18

Sneed, Tom 12/19

Bland, Abby 12/21

Hanson, Cale 12/21

Overman, Janice 12/21

Groves, Jordan 12/24

Beagle, Brandon 12/25

Carder, Steve 12/25

Starnes, Luke 12/25

Tilley, Kevin 12/25

Wooldridge, Ian 12/25

Mendel, Tricia 12/26

Stouffer, Jacque 12/26

Langford, Isaac 12/27

Stouffer, Will 12/27

Clayton, Deborah

Whitebird 12/28

Tinkey, Audrey 12/28

Gossett, Chloe 12/29

Sallee, Mary 12/30

Walker, Kyle 12/30

Groves, Rich 12/31

Lindgren, Esther 12/31

Brown, Grace 1/2

Long, Ben 1/2

Buscher, Jeff 1/3

McConnell, Megan 1/3

Schumacher, Sandy 1/3

Trischler, Karen 1/3

Lindsey, Marilyn 1/4

White, Marcie 1/4

Aunspaugh, Anne 1/5

North, Matthew 1/5

Pennington, Mallory 1/6

Knauss, Bonnie 1/7



Liberty, Missouri

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

**Sunday, December 25**  
Christmas Day

*Christmas 2011*  
What Child is This?

“SIMEON AND ANNA”  
with Jason Edwards

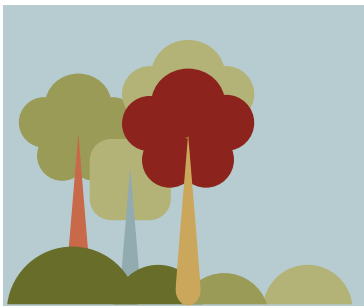
Scripture:  
Luke 2:21–38  
Isaiah 9:2–7

**How do you become a member of the Second Baptist Church faith family?**

Join Pastor Jason Edwards on Sunday morning, January 8, at 9:45 a.m. for **Coffee with the Pastor** for an informal conversation.

or

To learn more contact Jason at:  
jedwards@2bcliberty.org/781.2824



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, December 25: Christmas Day**  
11:00 Worship (Sanctuary)

**Monday, December 26: Church Office Closed**

**Tuesday, December 27 (Office Hours: 9:00–3:00 p.m.)**  
9:30 Ministry Team Community Group & Meeting  
10:00 Staff Meeting  
10:30 Worship Planning

**Wednesday, December 28 (Office Hours: 9:00–3:00 p.m.)**  
10:30 Intercessory Prayer Group (Assembly Room)  
7:20 Sanctuary Choir Practice—Adults (Room 501)  
8:30 Orchestra Rehearsal

**Thursday, December 29 (Office Hours: 9:00–3:00 p.m.)**

**Friday, December 30 (Office Hours: 9:00–3:00 p.m.)**

**Sunday, January 1: New Years Day**  
*(The events listed here are all the scheduled events for this Sunday)*  
9:30 Church-wide New Years Breakfast  
11:00 Worship  
*(Note: No 8:30 a.m. worship or Bible study this mornings. Church doors will open at 9:00 a.m.)*

## STAY CONNECTED . . .

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