

**Congregational Meeting - TODAY
Immediately after Worship Service**

Discussion and vote on proposed By-Law changes for Second Baptist Church.



- **October 31 - Trick or Treat - Common Room Entrance - 5:00-7:00 pm.** If you or your family are trick or treating on Main Street on Halloween, don't forget to stop at the church for additional treats. Hope to see you!
- **November 3, 17 - Foodshare Mobile Pantry - Back Parking Lot - 1:00 pm.**
 - **November 6, 20 - Prayer Shawl Ministry – Parlor – 10:00 am-Noon.** Please contact Jean Rinaldi (randj814@cox.net) or Dee Haggett (860- 466-9478) for more information.
- **November 9 – Fellowship Time (formerly called Special Needs Fellowship) – Fellowship Hall – 6:30 pm.** This is an outreach program for our friends with cognitive limitations to give them a safe environment for crafts, singing, and fellowship. If you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry, please contact Jean Aldrich-Jones at (413) 427-9672.
- **November 14 - Soup Kitchen- South Congregational Church, 45 Maple St, Springfield, MA.** Contact Michele Brown-Quinn at (860) 978-5615 or mlbquinn@yahoo.com for more information.



Halloween Candy Needed!

Donate candy to distribute to the trick or treaters on Halloween. Please drop off at the church Welcome Center **THIS WEEK!**



“Christmas in Suffield” Craft Fair - November 7 – 9:00 am-3:00 pm



- Needed: Small gift items for Secret Santa Gift Shoppe – exclusively for children to shop for their loved ones.
 - Need bakers, plants and cuttings
 - Costume jewelry can be brought to the church office
 - Clean, gently used items for the Attic Treasures can be dropped off in Room 310 in the Sisk Wing
 - People to help set up and clean up
- Contact Sue (860-402-7813) for more information.**

Blanket & Bedding Drive. Help Us Share the Warmth!

As the colder weather approaches, we're collecting blankets, comforters, and sleeping bags to help bring warmth and comfort to those in need in our community. We invite everyone to look through their closets and consider donating gently used, clean blankets and warm bedding that could make a difference in someone's life.



Please leave your donations at the Welcome Center. All items will be delivered to the Springfield Soup Kitchen on Maple Street, where we serve a meal each month - **Delivery date of blankets will be Saturday, November 14. Please drop off donations by Sunday, November 8.**

A simple gift can bring warmth, comfort, and a reminder that someone cares. Thank you for helping us share God's love with our neighbors!

“For I was hungry and you gave Me food...” Matthew 25:35

Online Giving:

Please scan the QR code provided. Choose between “General Offering” and “Missions Support” and fill out the appropriate information.



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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOxDXj0N6NrzdDC7EC9xww>

Please scan the QR code (with the camera on your cell phone) to get the latest happenings at Second Baptist Church using Facebook!

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Where Believing and Doing Are One.

Mission: The grace of Jesus Christ calls us into a community of faith embracing God's justice and love for all.

WELCOME!

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Service of Worship

October 25, 2026 at 10:00 am

Personal Hearing Devices are available for the service.
Please contact an usher to use one.

Welcome and Announcements Sue Schneller

Prelude “Meditation Religieuse” Schreiner
Jean Aldrich-Jones, Organ
As we listen to the prelude and witness the lighting of the candles, please use this as a time of reflection.

Call to Worship Becky Tobiasz
L: Let justice flow like a mighty stream.
P: Let truth stand tall like the majestic oak.
L: Let hope be as broad as the distant horizon.
P: Let kindness rain like a summer shower.
L: Let love blossom in every heart.
All: Let music soar and stir our feet to action and our spirits to praise.

*Hymn “We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God” #64

*Greeting Our Neighbors
Please use this time to greet your neighbor in the way you feel most comfortable.

Invocation & Lord’s Prayer Becky Tobiasz

The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18 OT, pp. 106
Becky Tobiasz

A Time for Children Sue Schneller
The children will leave for Sunday School after Children’s time.

An Offering of Our Lives and Labor
*A time of prayer as we are invited to participate in God’s Kin-dom through our tithes and offerings. Please use the designated Mission envelopes found in the pews for donations to **WORLD MISSION OFFERING (WMO).***

Offertory Anthem “Lotus Iste” Anton Bruckner
Sanctuary Choir

*Doxology *Old Hundredth*
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn “Fairest Lord Jesus” #97

Prayers of the People & Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 22:34-46 NT, pg. 25

Sermon “All the Law and the Prophets” Rev. James Leavitt

*Hymn “Pass It On” #477

Parting Blessing

Postlude “Pomp and Ceremony” Boalt
Jean Aldrich-Jones, Organ

After the service, please stay in the sanctuary for a brief Congregational Meeting. Afterwards, join us in Fellowship Hall for an additional time of Fellowship.

Please recycle. Bins are provided as you exit.

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THANK YOU RECEIVED

On October 10, Second Baptist hosted a very successful “Shred Day” for the community. Although the event was free for participants we did ask that donations be made for either the Food Pantry at Suffield Community Aid or clothing for It Takes a Village in Huntington, MA. Two cars were FILLED with donations!

We received the following from SCA: “What a joy to receive a carload of food for the pantry. It came at **The Perfect Time** since our shelves were low.” ~ Mary Cartin, MSW, Executive Director



OCTOBER MISSION OFFERING WORLD MISSION OFFERING (WMO)

Each year through International Ministries’ World Mission Offering, thousands of churches and individuals come together to promote and support ministries that God is using to transform the world. As the body of Christ, we respond together to the needs around the world—when everyone contributes, no one group carries the full burden of expense. WMO gifts support global servants with training and pastoral care, enable us to address crises when they arise, and so much more. Giving to the WMO is the best way to make sure that you support all of IM’s ministries.



Historically, Second Baptist also supports individual Global Servants. In 2025 we gave additional funding to the ministries of:

- Barbara & Dwight Bolick - Regional Consultants in IberoAmerica and The Caribbean
- Anita & Rick Gutierrez - South Africa
- Kristy Engel - Global Consultant specializing in Health & Wellness

REQUEST FOR FOOD DONATIONS - Suffield Housing Authority-

“Anything that you are able to collect for donation to our pantry for our senior and disabled residents is a blessing and they are very thankful. Many Thanks for thinking of Suffield Housing Authority.” - Jason Joyce, Executive Director of the Suffield Housing Authority

Suggested Food Donations Include:

- Soups - low sodium and regular (all kinds)
- Canned broths
- Stews/chilis
- Canned vegetables - green beans, corn, peas, carrots, stewed tomatoes, beans
- Canned spaghetti sauce
- Tomato paste
- Pasta - any kind
- Rice and Orzo
- Oatmeal packets
- Canned Fruit (any kind)
- Jams or jellies/peanut butter/cereal
- Cracker/peanut butter sandwich snack packs
- Cracker/cheese sandwich snack packs
- Small cookie packets
- Non-refrigerated milk

We will collect food in the WELCOME CENTER through the month of October, and a member of the Missions Ministry will deliver it to Suffield Housing Authority shortly thereafter. - **PLEASE DROP OFF FOOD THIS WEEK!**

Thank you for your support in helping our neighbors!

