

FIRST WOODWAY FALL 2026

MENDED

Fellowship Meals | Adult Discipleship | Care Groups | College, Youth, & Kids



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M E N D E D

The Japanese art of *kintsugi* takes broken pottery and mends it with gold to give it new life, making it stronger than before. Like this ancient art, our God does not discard us for our brokenness but redeems it. He meets us in our fractures, fills them with purpose, and seals them with grace. This is the good news! We are new vessels in Christ, restored with radiance. May this season abound in healing, formation, and restoration. We are holy craftsmanship, and our imperfection can reveal God's glory. *Will we submit to His hands?*



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5:00 5:30 6:00 6:30 7:00 7:30 8:00 8:30

5:00 - 6:15 pm
Wednesday Night Meals

6:30 - 7:30 pm
Adult Discipleship Classes
Adult Choir
Kids Discipleship Classes
Kids Choir (KREW)

7:00 - 8:30 pm
High School WNL
(Wednesday Night Live)

6:30 - 7:45 pm
Middle School
PrimeTime

7:30 - 8:30 pm
College Fellowship

Wednesday Night Meals are served from 5:00 - 6:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall before our classes. Adults cost \$10, kids (5-12 years old) cost \$5, and kids 4 and under eat free. All meals include tea, water, coffee, salad, and a homemade dessert. Scope out the menu ahead of time here and see page 22 to make your reservations.

Sep
02

BARIS
Dee's Pasta,
salad, & rolls

Sep
09

SALTGRASS
Choice of: cheeseburger or grilled
chicken sandwich, green beans, & chips

Sep
16

GEORGE'S
Pork chop, mashed potatoes,
Southern green beans, & rolls

Sep
23

ROSA'S
Beef and chicken enchiladas,
beans, rice, chips, & salsa

Sep
30

SCRATCH HOUSE
Chicken parmigiana,
spaghetti, salad, & bread

Oct
07

HELBERG BBQ
Meatloaf &
mashed potatoes

Oct
14

CAJUN CRAFT
Fried chicken,
red beans, & rice

Oct
21

CRACKER BARREL
Biscuits with gravy, butter, and preserves,
ham, egg and cheese hashbrown casserole,
sausage patty, & fried cinnamon apples

Oct
28

BJ'S RESTAURANT
Sal's Brewhouse Chicken,
mashed potatoes, & asparagus

Nov
04

TONY DEMARIA'S BBQ
Pulled pork sandwiches,
pinto beans, & chips

Nov
11

PF CHANG'S
Beef with
broccoli & rice

Nov
18

THE OLIVE BRANCH
Thanksgiving meal



DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES FOR

ADULTS



ADULTS

FALL 2026 WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES



Meeting Day



Meeting Time



Start Date



Duration



Cost



Childcare

(We strongly encourage class members to purchase the class book on their own. Find the purchase link online at firstwoodway.org/discipleship. If you purchase on your own, you do not need to pay the class fee.)



Wed



13 wks



5:30 pm



\$25



Sep 2



None

THE NAMES OF GOD

For Women Only | Led by Melodie Robison & Sandra Northern

From the opening chapters of Genesis through the final verses of Revelation, God is known by many names—names that reveal who He is, what He does, and how He relates to His children. We'll examine names for the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and we'll discover the impact that each of God's names has on our relationship with Him.



Wed



8 wks



6:30 pm



None



Sep 2



RSVP

CHURCH HISTORY - PART 1

For Men & Women | Led by Bill Northern

Join us on a guided journey through 2,000 years of Christian history, tracing its transformation from a small group of disciples in Jerusalem into a global faith of over two billion people. Rather than just memorizing dates, this course explores the major theological debates, political shifts, and cultural movements that shaped the modern world. By understanding where the Church has been, we will gain a deeper perspective on where it is today.



Wed



12 wks



6:30 pm



None



Sep 2



RSVP

PRAYER GATHERING: KINGDOM LIVING

For Men & Women | Led by René Maciel

As followers of Christ, we are called to live differently—not to withdraw from the world, but to faithfully represent God's kingdom within it. Join us while we explore what it means to belong to God and live according to His purposes. We will learn what it means to be a people truly set apart for the glory of God and the mission He has entrusted to us.



Wed



10 wks



6:30 pm



None



Sep 2



RSVP

FORMED FOR MISSION: ENGAGING THE NATIONS NEAR & FAR

For Men & Women | Led by Sam Goff & Justin & Sherrie Anderson

God's heart is for the nations, and He empowers believers to participate in His mission "here, there, and everywhere." Let's engage people from different cultures, build meaningful relationships, share the gospel effectively, and respond to questions about faith with confidence. Through a biblical and practical approach, you will be equipped to join God's work among the nations in our community and around the world.



Wed



9 wks



6:30 pm



\$22



Sep 2



RSVP

DISPLAYING THE GOSPEL OF GRACE

For Women Only | Led by Jennifer Martinsen

We will explore verse by verse Paul's letter to Titus. Knowing, believing, and living out the truths of the Gospel changes not only our lives, but our homes, churches, and culture as well. Discover how important sound doctrine is to the integrity and proclamation of the Gospel and to our church body. We'll see the essential connection between right belief and right character and the way both testify to the goodness of the gospel.



Wed



11 wks



6:30 pm



None



Sep 2



RSVP

JAMES

For Men & Women | Led by Rodney Bowden

We will explore the book of James that emphasizes living out genuine faith through daily actions and service. James challenges believers to demonstrate their faith through obedience, humility, and care for others through themes such as perseverance in trials, the power of the tongue, and the importance of wisdom from God. We will also address the context of the letter, the author, and discuss life application from this book of the Bible.

ADULTS

FALL 2026 WEEKDAY & WEEKEND CLASSES



Meeting Day



Meeting Time



Start Date



Duration



Cost



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Sun



7 wks



5:30 pm



None



Sep 20



None

CHRISTIAN WRITER’S WORKSHOP

For Men & Women | Led by Michelle Ruddell

Do you have a story that needs to be told? Are you a writer or do you want to be? Join us as we hear from local Christian authors about their books and articles, their stories, and their publishing process. Come for education, encouragement, and inspiration.



Wed



8 wks



9:00 am



\$25



Sep 9



None

THE KING’S DAUGHTERS: “THE NAMES OF GOD”

For Women Only | Led by Jan Gilbert

From Genesis to Revelation, God is known by many names that reveal who He is, what He does, and how He relates to His children. In this study, we'll examine names for the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and the impact these names can have on our relationship with Him.



Mon



8 wks



9:00 am



None



Aug 31



RSVP

THE DWELLING: “YOU ASKED FOR IT!”

For Moms with Kids Who Still Live at Home | Led by Vicki Lassiter

If you could study anything you wanted from the Bible, what would it be? That was the question presented to The Dwelling participants last year. As a result, this semester at The Dwelling, our theme is “You Asked For It!” Moms with children still living at home, come be a part of the study and discussion! *(There is a separate registration form for this class. See page 22 to sign up.)*



Thu



Ongoing



6:30 am



None



Ongoing



None

WAYWARD MEN

For Men Only | Led by René Maciel

This early-rising group of men meets on Thursday mornings in The Venue to grow in the faith and in community together. Their Bible study time is always accompanied with donuts and coffee, and they would love for you to join them! Please contact René Maciel at rmaciel@firstwoodway.org with any questions.



Tue



11 wks



9:30 am



\$15



Sep 8



None

JUST MOVED

For Women New to Waco | Led by Nancy Jackson

Just Moved seeks to help women new to our community through Biblical application as they "Let Go and Trust, Start Over with Hope, and Move Forward with Faith." Through this process, we want to allow God to mend us, mold us and mature us while we are building friendships and community with women traveling the same path.



Fri



Ongoing



7:30 am



None



Ongoing



None

GOD’S SEEKERS & SEARCHERS (GSS)

For Men Only | Led by Dr. Weldon (Sony) Kunkel

This group’s primary focus is to choose a book of the Bible for in-depth study. This group is not limited to First Woodway members but welcomes all men from the community who have an interest in understanding the Scriptures. If you are interested in joining or have questions, please contact Don Addison at daddison@hot.rr.com.

CONGREGATIONAL
CARE



CARE

FALL 2026 CONGREGATIONAL CARE GROUPS



Meeting Day



Meeting Time



Start Date



Duration



Cost



Location

(Please note, childcare is unavailable for all Care Groups.)

Mon



DIVORCECARE

For Those Affected by Divorce
Led by Leon & Jo Williams

At DivorceCare, people in separation and divorce find tools, teaching, and support to help them deal with their pain and give them hope for the future. DivorceCare meets weekly to help you face challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. This 13-week, Christ-centered program includes three main parts: video, group discussion, and personal Bible study. Our last meeting for the fall semester will be on November 9. *(There is a separate registration form for this group. See page 22 to sign up.)*

6:30 pm



Aug 17



13 wks



None



Rm 204



Mon



PORCHLIGHT

For Loved Ones of Those Struggling with Addiction
Led by Brad & Lisa Hyde

Many families in our church share the same private struggle: a child or loved one who has wandered from God, or fallen into addiction or a pattern of poor choices. PorchLight, a care group that helps families navigate this chaos, was birthed by Brad and Lisa Hyde out of their own experience as parents of a child who struggles with addiction. Whether a child, spouse, sibling, or parent—PorchLight is for those suffering along with their addicted loved one. No sign-up needed. Our last meeting for the fall semester will be on November 16.

6:30 pm



Aug 17



14 wks



None



Rm 217/18
+ 205



Wed



GRIEFSHARE

For Those Who Have Suffered the Loss of A Loved One
Led by Dianna Palich & Jan Thrower

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences: losing a loved one. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. If you've lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend, you've probably found there are not many people who understand the deep hurt you feel. This can be a confusing time when you feel isolated and have many questions about things you've never faced before. Our last meeting for the fall semester will be on November 11. *(There is a separate registration form for this group. See page 22 to sign up.)*

6:00 pm



Aug 19



13 wks



None



Rm 224/25



By Appt



None



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

For Those Working Toward Recovery from Addiction
Led by Melody Carson, Eric Upton, & Jonathan Sibley

Celebrate Recovery is an addiction recovery group for anyone looking to overcome their hurts, hang-ups, and habits. This group will provide an intentional, non-judgmental community committed to honesty, accountability, and hope—all centered around eight principles from the teachings of Jesus. Freedom is possible. All are welcome. The group is currently meeting individually, with scheduled one-on-one appointments by gender, to guide you step-by-step through the 12-step curriculum (52 weeks). As the group grows, we may begin meeting together in weekly groups (separated by gender). Please contact Alexis Gurley at agurley@firstwoodway.org to learn more or schedule a session.

The holidays can be especially difficult when you're walking through grief or divorce. DivorceCare and GriefShare offer special Surviving the Holidays meetings on Nov 16 and 18, providing hope, encouragement, and practical support for the season. Learn more and sign up online or on the app.



COLLEGE, YOUTH, & KIDS

NEXT GEN

FALL 2026 WEDNESDAY NIGHTS FOR COLLEGE, YOUTH, & KIDS



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@FBCWoodway (Youth Channel)



First Woodway Youth Ministry Page

(There is a separate registration form for kids' classes. Please see page 22 to sign up.)

NEXT GEN

FW COLLEGE (AGE 18-23)

College Fellowship

7:30 pm | MAC 2nd Floor

College students and college-age friends, take a midweek breather with us. We gather for a free meal, prayer, worship, and time to reset your heart on what matters most.

Last Wednesday

7:30 pm | Anthem Stories (800 Austin Ave)

Last Wednesday is our monthly worship night at Anthem Stories, closer to Baylor's campus. Come ready for worship, teaching, and prayer as we gather to build up faith in Jesus and be sent out by the power of the Holy Spirit. Grab dinner with friends beforehand, then meet us at 7:30. We'll meet Sep 30 and Oct 28 for this fall.

FW YOUTH (6TH-12TH)

Wednesday Night Live (WNL) for High School

7:00 - 8:30 pm | The Venue

WNL is live and in person! This is your time to gather with other high school students (9th - 12th grade) for authentic worship through great music, hilarious skits, student testimonies, and a talk that will give you solid direction for living out your faith commitment.

PrimeTime for Middle School

6:30 - 7:45 pm | MAC

Just what you need in the middle of the week—an opportunity to gather with your friends for fun and spiritual encouragement. 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, get ready for Wednesday evenings full game competitions, fun mixers, student testimonies, great worship, and a relevant talk.

WOODWAY KIDS (BABIES-5TH)

Babies through Threes

Childcare is provided for this age group for parents who attend a Discipleship Class on campus that night or are serving on Wednesday nights.

Pre-K through Fifth Grade

We are excited to offer Kids' Choir (KREW) for these age groups. During choir, our kids prepare songs and/or musicals for special performances throughout the year. Our older choir (1st - 5th grade) also prepares songs for Sunday morning worship. Don't miss this time of learning music and how to worship God.

First through Fifth Grade

Our 1st through 5th graders have a choice on Wednesday evenings. These grades can join our Kids' Choir (KREW) (*see above*), or they can join Discipleship Classes just for kids! In these classes, our students will memorize scripture, learn Bible skills, hear Bible stories, and apply Biblical truths to their lives.



DISCIPLESHIP + CARE MINISTRY

STAFF

Our Adult Discipleship Classes and Care Groups are supported by a dedicated team of servant-hearted staff members who are here to help you feel welcomed and connected. Whether you're new to the church or simply looking to get more involved, these leaders are passionate about walking alongside you as you explore all that our church community has to offer. They're happy to answer any questions you may have, help you navigate a class or group, and make sure you feel supported every step of the way.



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REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE
Visit firstwoodway.org/discipleship.



REGISTER OVER THE PHONE
Call the church office at 254.772.9696. Office hours are
Mon - Thu, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm and Fri, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm.



REGISTER ON THE APP
Visit the First Woodway app, under the News + Events tab.
Download the church app by texting APP to 254.328.1181.



REGISTER VIA QR CODE
Scan the Discipleship code below to launch the registration form.



SEPARATE REGISTRATION
Some classes have separate registration forms.
Launch them from the website or via the QR codes below.



Discipleship



Wed Night Meals



The Dwelling



DivorceCare



GriefShare



Woodway Kids

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1 PETER 5:10

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.





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