

THE WALDO WITNESS...

September 2025

**knowing God and making Him known
“I appoint you as a witness of what you have seen of Me and what I will show you.”
Acts 26:16**

Beloved,

I am continually blessed by our corporate gatherings, sweet fellowship, and the life we share together. I am convinced that God is at work in all of us, and if we continue to seek his will through His Word, we will be blessed.

The past month, we celebrated Homecoming and 175 years of God’s faithfulness in our midst. We were able to establish the Jack Russell Sermons, the purpose of which is to bring faithful expositors to preach two sermons for the glory of God, the edification of the church, and in honor of the life and ministry of Jack Russell. Paul Washer has graciously agreed to inaugurate those sermons on March 1 st , 2026.

We were also blessed to have Jake Stone and Dr. Brian Arnold for a panel discussion on the Bible and Baptist distinctives. This was followed by a tremendous mid-week service with Paul Washer. These were only possible because of the sacrificial service of so many of our members, especially administration, security, janitorial, and children’s ministry. I see you and am so grateful. Thank you!

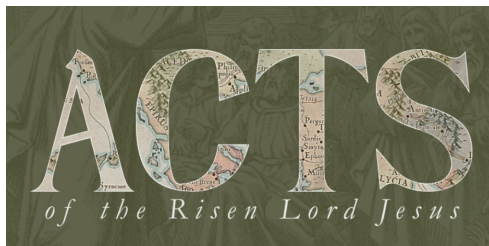
This Fall, we will be studying Acts in the hope of growing into a healthier church on mission for the glory of God. Please pray for me as I labor week by week. The Lord speaks to us through His Word! What a fantastic gift. Please note that for September,



we will observe the Lord’s Supper, Sunday evening, the 7 th . We will also have a men’s fellowship on September 19 th , don’t miss it!

In all things, beloved, let us seek to better know God and cultivate a greater zeal to make Christ known to every tribe, tongue, people, and nation! Love you all.

In Christ,
Nate



Prepare for Sunday morning worship by reading the selected passages prepared by Pastor Nate. The new sermon series began on Sunday, August 24, 2025 and is planned to continue with this scripture guide through November. Just a reminder that you can access previous messages on the Waldo app or our webpage. Need help finding either one? Speak with Bro. David Atwell for assistance.


The Triune God & Birth of the Church

- Wk 1, Aug. 24th: An overview of Acts: Acts 1:1-5
- Wk. 2, Aug. 31st: The Ascended Lord: Acts 1:6-11
- Wk 3, Sept. 7th: Restoring the Apostolic Witness: Acts 1:12-26
- Wk. 4, Sept. 14th: The Coming of the Holy Spirit: Acts 2:1-21
- Wk. 5, Sept. 21st: Jesus, Both Lord and Christ: Acts 2:22-36
- Wk. 6, Sept. 28th: Repent & Be Baptized: Acts 2:37-41
- Wk. 7, Oct. 5th: Communion in Christ: Acts 2:42-27

The Triune God & Witnesses in Jerusalem

- Wk. 8, Oct. 12th: The Work of God, Wonder of Men, and the Word of God: Acts 3:1-26
- Wk. 9, Oct. 19th: Proclamation & Persecution: Acts 4:1-22
- Wk. 10, Oct. 26th: Providence & Prayer: Acts 4:23-31
- Wk. 11, Nov. 2nd: At the Apostle’s Feet: Acts 4:32-5:11
- Wk. 12, Nov. 9th: Power, Prison, & Persecution: Acts 5:12-42
- Wk. 13, Nov 16th: Word & Table: Acts 6:1-7
- Wk. 14, Nov. 23rd: Stephen, Saul and Stiff-necked People: Acts 6:8-8:3

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  Office Closed	2	3 FELLOWSHIP MEAL 5:30 WBCKids Gen NOW Student Ministry Journey 2911 Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	4 College/Young Adults to Baptist Campus Ministry @ MSU 7:00 p.m. <i>*van leaves JCPenney parking lot at 5:30 p.m.</i>	5	6
7 Early Worship Service 8:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Evening Service The Lord's Supper 5:30/p.m.	8	9	10 FELLOWSHIP MEAL 5:30 WBCKids Gen NOW Student Ministry Journey 2911 Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	11 Monthly Ladies Luncheon 11:30 Location TBD Ladies Precepts Class @ Waldo 6:00 p.m.	12	13
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Weekly Giving Report

Week of :

8/3	\$3,337.00
8/10	\$7,442.00
8/17	\$7,021.00
8/24	\$5,246.00

**These totals do not include
online giving.*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday	Early Worship Service	8:00 a.m.
	Sunday School (All Ages) Journey2911 (College/Young Adults)	9:00 a.m.
	Late Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
	Evening Worship/Activities	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Meal Ministry (will resume August 13th) Prayer Mtg./Bible Study WBCKids Generation Now (Student Ministry) Journey2911 (College/Young Adults)	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.



**September
Birthdays &
Anniversaries**
(*notes anniversary)

2nd	Evelyn Landis
3rd	Katelin Waddell
5th	Raye Kelly Brent Russell Tarah Gower
7th	Lisa Stewart
9th	Baylee Kelley *Jim & Lorie Walters
11th	Bill Fowler
12th	David Atwell
15th	Brandon Heine
16th	Debbie Loven
18th	Stephen Heine *Dwight & Deidre Beggs
19th	Barbara Davis Matthew Willard
22nd	Cheyenne Sumner
23rd	Janet Taylor *Jason & Deb Luton
26th	Courtney Hines Max Quint Nikki Sanderson *Mike & Kelly Hille
27th	Mitzi Borum
28th	Celeigh Culver Tammy Forthman
29th	Barbara Rohrer
30th	*Tony & Nikita Shoulta

The Monthly Ladies Luncheon will be held on Thursday, September 11 at 11:30 a.m. at a yet to be decided restaurant. All ladies are welcome to join in this wonderful time of fellowship. Please contact Diana Swinford to let her know if you plan to attend so that she can arrange plenty of seating.

NEW AT WALDO "MISSIONAL MOMS"

"Missional Moms" is a community group designed to encourage, equip, and connect the mothers of Waldo Baptist Church. Join us on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 5-6:30 p.m. beginning September 20th. We will meet in the classroom in the office wing here at the church. We will share a meal and receive encouragement from the Word and from each other. Open to all moms in every season of motherhood!

See Kelsey Martin or Aly Gillis for more information!



The Lord's Supper will be served on Sunday, September 7th during the evening service time, 5:30 p.m. This is a time of family worship. There will be no youth or children's activities but the nursery will be open for babies.

As you prepare your heart and mind for The Lord's Supper service on September 7th, take a moment to read through, meditate on and maybe even look up the following song online and be familiar with it when Bro. Aaron introduces it during the service. "Recorded live in Nashville during the 2024 Sing Conference, Skye Peterson and Ben Shive present a simple reminder that the solemn work of Christ is in fact cause for much celebration! A beautiful happy song for Communion" is the description given by Getty Music.

"Keep The Feast"

[Verse 1]

Joyfully we join You at Your table
Pleading not our righteousness
By Your wealth of mercy, we are able
Now to feast in confidence

[Chorus]

Take this bread and eat
Take this cup and drink
Remember how He loved us
Rejoice and keep the feast

[Verse 2]

Who is fit to feast with such a Savior?
Who His sandals could untie?
Who are we that He would show us favor
Granting us this gift of life?

[Chorus]

Take this bread and eat
Take this cup and drink
Remember how He loved us
Rejoice and keep the feast

[Verse 3]

Oh, happy sign of friendship and reunion
With the blessed Three-in-One
Foretaste of that glorious communion
Vision of the world to come

[Chorus]

Take this bread and eat
Take this cup and drink
Remember how He loved us
Rejoice and keep the feast
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BCM
AT MURRAY STATE

**Baptist Campus Ministry
For College/Young Adults**

Join us September 4th - 7pm

To ride the Waldo Van, meet in the JCPenney parking lot at KY Oaks Mall @ 5:30pm.

 murraystatebcm.com



JOURNEY2911
(College Age/Young Adults)
meets on Sunday mornings at
9:15 a.m. and Wednesday eve-
nings at 6:30 p.m.

If you'd like more information
about the class or these two
events please reach out to Bro.
David Atwell.



WBC Kids meets each Wednesday night in the Family Life Center. We have classes from 2 years old through the 6th grade. The group gathers for opening activities at 6:15 p.m. in the Children's Church room before breaking out into age specific classes for Bible study, gym time and snack. The nursery is also available for little friends under 2 years old. See Jen Heine for more information.

GET READY FOR THE FUN! TRUNK OR TREAT SIGN UP COMING SOON!

**WALDO FALL
FELLOWSHIP & HAYRIDE**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH - 5-7PM

Fun For The Whole Family - Everyone Invited



Generation Now Student Ministries

Mission Statement

Generation Now Ministries is a ministry of Waldo Baptist Church. We exist to equip young people to develop a deeper relationship with Christ through discipleship, building a family, and serving the community. This Generation has been chosen to grow in Christ NOW, to proclaim His glory NOW, and to make a difference NOW.

New Wednesday Night Schedule Starting September 3rd

Community Night (Evangelism + Community)

Community Night is every 4th Wednesday Night. It is all about creating a space where everyone feels welcome and can get connected. Through fun and fellowship, students can connect with each other and invite friends to experience the love and joy of the Gospel in a welcoming, relational environment. It's fun, it's real, and it's where relationships begin.

Gather Night (Community + Worship)

Gather Night is every 1st and 3rd Wednesday Night. It is where we come together as one to worship, pray, and hear God's Word. It's a time to set aside distractions, encounter the presence of God, and remember that we were made for more than the noise around us. In this space, we worship together and grow together as a spiritual family.

Table Night (Worship + Discipleship)

Table Night is every 2nd Wednesday Night, sometimes the 5th. It is where growth is cultivated. Through small groups, open discussion, and time in the Word, students dig deeper into their faith and build authentic relationships. Just like the early church gathered around the table, this is where we share life, ask questions, and walk the journey of following Jesus—together.

What is the Why?

As mentioned in our mission statement, we desire to build a Christ Centered community. We believe that these three services will aid in the process of building a strong community. Through the Community nights, students will easily connect through fellowship with one another. Gather Nights will strengthen this connection through gathering with one another and being equipped by Worship to the Lord, through song and preaching of The Word. Table Night will be an opportunity for those relationships to blossom as the students dig deeper and become vulnerable with one another. This is where spiritual growth is at its highest, when we gather together in vulnerability, with grateful hearts for a merciful and faithful savior!

Ladies Precepts

New Book Study

Romans - Part Two

Class meets every other
Thursday @ 6pm at
Waldo Baptist Church
6970 Waldo Church Rd.
Metropolis, IL.

September Classes will be held on
the 11th & 25th
See Diane Leonard or Lorie Walters
for details






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Pastor:
Rev. David Atwell

Youth Pastor:
Caleb Waddell

Sr. Adults Pastor:
Rev. Jack D. Russell

Worship Pastor:
Bro. Aaron Gillis

Children's Church Pastor:
Bro. Kenny Forthman

Sunday School Director:
Bro. James Forthman Sr.

Admin. Assistant/Secretary:
Mrs. Missy Brinkley

Treasurer:
Mrs. Robin Loverkamp

Custodian:
Mrs. Susan Brinker

Men's Fellowship Gathering Grill Out @ WBC

Friday, September 19th – 6:30PM

All Welcome – Bring Someone To Join You!

Contact Bro. Caleb Waddell for details or with questions!

