

1. WHAT IS A SMALL GROUP?

Most of our Small Groups are made up of 3 to 20 people who want to grow in their faith and connect with some friends who are going in the same direction. Sometimes the best description is simply a group of people who are like you, who like you, and are like-minded in their desire to become more like Jesus Christ.

2. ARE ALL SMALL GROUPS THE SAME?

The short answer: NO! At Second, we have all kinds of groups, because we have all kinds of people. We have couples groups, men's groups, and women's groups.

3. WHY SHOULD I JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

Here are four very important reasons:

- 1) Want to feel like a part of the Second Family? Small groups are where "this church" becomes "my church."
- 2) You'll begin to study, learn and apply the Bible to your life in a new and more personal way.
- 3) Prayer will become more meaningful for you because your small group will be praying with you and for you.
- 4) Friendships are formed in small groups, and life is BETTER when lived in COMMUNITY with other like-minded believers.

4. DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF SECOND TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

No, anyone can attend a small group.

5. HOW OFTEN DOES A SMALL GROUP MEET?

Weekly or Bi-Weekly

6. HOW LONG DOES A TYPICAL SMALL GROUP STAY TOGETHER?

Groups begin in the fall and spring. Our next semester will begin the week of September 15, 2024. Groups meet weekly during the 6 week Spiritual Journey and continue weekly or bi-weekly if the group chooses to continue to meet beyond the Spiritual Journey.

7. WHAT HAPPENS AT A SMALL GROUP MEETING?

Every group is different but there are some common experiences. Most groups have a time for just hanging out, talking about the week and what's going on in life. We have designed the groups to encourage discussion and engage each person in the process. Our groups are also encouraged to have a time of prayer together. But don't worry, no one is forced to speak nor should anyone be embarrassed.

8. WHERE DO THE SMALL GROUPS MEET?

Our Groups meet in homes, at Second, and at other venues in the Baytown area.

9. IS THERE CHILDCARE AVAILABLE?

Every group deals with this issue in its own way. Some of the groups go in together and make arrangements for a baby sitter or take turns watching the children. Other groups require each participant to make their own arrangements. We also offer childcare at Second for our Sunday (5:15–7:30pm), Wednesday (6:15–7:45pm).

10. CAN I START MY OWN GROUP?

We love it when people are interested in hosting a group of their own. If you would like more information about hosting, please email Seth at scarnes@secondbaytown.org or check the box on the online connection card that indicates you would like to host.

12. HOW DO I GET INTO A GROUP?

There are several options. (1) Sign-up during the weekend service by scanning the QR code and completing the connection card indications you are interested in a group. (2) Go to Guest Services or the Small Group Info Table and ask for assistance. (3) Go to our website at www.secondbaytown.org.