

1879 "THE FORTY-FOURTH YEAR OF OUR SECOND CENTURY" 2023

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

3310 E. COMMERCE STREET, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78220

THE REV. DR. ROBERT L. JEMERSON, D. MIN., PASTOR

January 7, 2024

THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve

**Only one life
It'll soon be past**

**Only what's done
For Christ will last!**



“God make this house of worship we have raised to Thee wide enough to receive all who need human love, fellowship and the Father’s care and narrow enough to shut out envy, pride and hate. Make its threshold smooth that it may be no stumbling block to childhood weakness or straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter’s power. God make this house of worship the gateway to Thy eternal Kingdom.”

The Preparation for Worship “I waited patiently for the Lord; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.”
Psalm 40:1-2

The Prelude “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” arr. Innes Mrs. LaFaye Duren, Organist

The Call To Worship and The Invocation Rev. Dr. Robert L. Jemerson, Sr., Pastor

WORSHIP IN PRAISE

***The Opening Hymn of Praise** “We’re Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”

We are climbing Jacob’s ladder, We are climbing Jacob’s ladder, We are climbing Jacob’s ladder, Soldiers of the cross.
Ev’ry round goes higher, higher, Ev’ry round goes higher, higher, Ev’ry round goes higher, higher, Soldiers of the cross.
Children, do you love my Jesus? Children, do you love my Jesus? Children, do you love my Jesus? Soldiers of the cross.
If you love Him, why not serve Him? If you love Him, why not serve Him? If you love Him, why not serve Him?
Soldiers of the cross.
Rise, shine, give God glory, Rise, shine, give God glory, Rise, shine, give God glory, Soldiers of the cross.

***The Responsive Reading** Psalm 121 Rev. Angela Jackson

Minister: I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

People: The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

*** The Gloria Patri** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the Beginning is now and ever shall be world with out end. Amen, Amen.

The Welcome Mrs. Yolanda Bean

WORSHIP IN MEDITATION

The Morning Prayer Rev. Dawarren Ennis **The Music of Meditation** “Jesus Will”

WORSHIP IN GIVING

The Offertory Sentence and Prayer Rev. Keith Jackson and **Music-The Hand Bell Choir** Mrs. Alice Powell-Brown, Director

***THE DOXOLOGY** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

The Music of Preparation “Praise is What I Do” The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Sermon “The Gift of Patience” Rev. Dr. Robert L. Jemerson, Sr., Pastor

The Text: “But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” Isaiah 40:31

The Invitation to Discipleship “Meet Me Here” The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Service of Holy Communion Rev. Dr. Robert L. Jemerson, Sr., Pastor

The Communion Hymn

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! that calls me from a world of care, and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer! thy wings shall my petition bear to him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless. And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace, I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

The Benediction

Rev. Dr. Robert L. Jemerson, Sr., Pastor

The Postlude

“Toccata on Amazing Grace” arr. Pardini

Mrs. LaFaye Duren, Organist

*Please Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUSINESS MEETING: The Church Business Meeting will be held on **Monday, January 29, 2024** at 6:30 P.M. in the Church Sanctuary. Dinner will be served at 6:00 P. M. in the Rev. S. H. James Fellowship Hall. The Agenda will consist of the Election of Officers and the 2024 Budget. All members are asked to attend.

New Member Orientation and Luncheon will be held on **Sunday, February 4, 2024**, in the S.H. James Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. Please call the church before January 14, 2023. All auxiliaries and committee chairs and presidents are asked to be present to give brief information about their organization.

The Women's Missionary Union (WMU) will host its annual Operation Mission Sunday scheduled for **February 11, 2024** at 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. The speaker will be our own Rev. Melissa Williams-Johnson. All Women of Second Baptist Church are invited to attend and are asked to **WEAR WHITE**.

The WMU will hold its February monthly meeting on **Thursday, February 1, 2024** at 12:00 P.M. in the S. H. James Fellowship Hall. The speaker will be Sister Wanda Polk, President of the Goodwill City Wide Missionary Council. All Second Baptist Church members and friends are invited to attend.

WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOUR HEALING

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MEMBERS CELEBRATING LAST WEEK AND THIS WEEK

JAN 1 Mr. Don Coleman, Mr. Maurice Bridges **JAN 2** Mr. Kevin Hamilton **JAN 3** Deacon Randy Reed, Mrs. Yolanda Bean, Kamille Gallegos **JAN 5** Mrs. Oweta Bowman, Deacon Thomas Dunlap **JAN 6** Mrs. Esther Holder-Rahman **JAN 7** Mrs. Thelma Pete, Mrs. Janice Bishop **JAN 8** Cortney Nious **JAN 9** Ms. Stephanie Haley, Mrs. Carnelis Jackson, Josiah Duhart **JAN 10** Mrs. Pamula Thomas, Deacon Richmond Smith Mr. Gerald-Keith Epps, Sr., Rev. John H. Sanders, Mrs. Ann Frye, Dr. Jerome Washington, Mrs. Robbie Alexander, Mr. Larry Phearse **JAN 11** Dr. Lawrence Harkless, Daniel Scott, Jr., Aaron Blakey, Mr. Michael Moore, Ms. Danielle Williams, Mkia Evans **JAN 12** Dominique Scott **JAN 13** Mrs. Daisy Richardson, Aniyah Julissa Williams

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