

1879 "THE FORTY-SIXTH YEAR OF OUR SECOND CENTURY" 2025

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
3310 E. COMMERCE STREET, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78220
THE REV. DR. ROBERT L. JEMERSON, SR., D. MIN., PASTOR

"In 2025, We are Walking in the Will of the Divine"
"The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD,
And He delights in his way." Psalm 37: 23

DECEMBER 28, 2025
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Enter to Worship

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

Depart to Serve

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



"God make this house of worship we have raised to You 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 Your eternal Kingdom."

The Preparation for Worship “I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End, the First and the Last. Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city ” Revelation 22:13-14

The Prelude “Hark, The Herald the Angels Sing” arr. Thallander Mrs. La Faye Duren, Organist
The Call To Worship and the Invocation Rev. Dawarren Ennis

WORSHIP IN PRAISE

***The Opening Hymn of Praise** “Jesus, the Light of the World”

Hark! the herald angels sing. Jesus, the Light of the world. Glory to the newborn King, Jesus, the Light of the world.
Refrain: We'll walk in the light, beautiful light. Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright. Oh, shine all around us by day and by night. Jesus, the Light of the world.

Joyful, all ye nations, rise. Jesus, the Light of the world. Join the triumph of the skies. Jesus, the Light of the world.
Refrain:

***The Responsive Reading** **Isaiah 61: 1-8** Rev. Nicholas Williams

Minister: The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, And the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, And they shall rebuild the old ruins, They shall raise up the former desolations, And they shall repair the ruined cities, The desolations of many generations.

People: Strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, And the sons of the foreigner *Shall be* your plowmen and your vinedressers. But you shall be named the priests of the LORD, They shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, And in their glory you shall boast. Instead of your shame *you shall have* double honor, And *instead of* confusion they shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double; Everlasting joy shall be theirs. For I, the LORD, love justice; I hate robbery for burnt offering; I will direct their work in truth, And will make with them an everlasting covenant.

***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. Candi Ellis-Davis

WORSHIP IN MEDITATION

The Morning Prayer Rev. Dr. Argra Thompson

WORSHIP IN GIVING

The Offertory Sentence and Prayer Rev. Keith Jackson

***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 “Emmanuel” The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Sermon Rev. Dawarren Ennis

The Invitation to Discipleship “Give Me a Clean Heart” The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Benediction Rev. Dawarren Ennis

The Postlude “Hallelujah Chorus” Handel Mrs. La Faye Duren, Organist

* Please Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESSAGE FROM REV. DR. ROBERT L. JEMERSON

Dear Second Baptist Church Family, Mrs. Jemerson and I are so appreciative of you. We thank you for your prayers, calls and visits, and encouragement cards. I anticipate being released from the rehabilitation center shortly. The medical team says that I am doing well. My gallbladder burst; which is the cause for my hospitalization. After six weeks the plan is to have it removed. The estimated time I will be absent from Second Baptist will be eight weeks. Keeping praying and being faithful.

Love you all,

Pastor Jemerson

SYMPATHY TO: Mrs. Shoneka Smith, Mr. Larry Smith, Miss Lakisha Fleming, and Miss Kvante Smith in the loss of their loved one and our member Mrs. Roselin Mitchell. A memorial service for Mrs. Mitchell will be planned for a later date.

THANK YOU: Rev. Angela and Rev. Keith Jackson send: "To our Second Baptist Church Family, During a time like this we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered."

Mrs. Marian and Wheatley Olison send: "To Pastor Jemerson and my church family, We thank you so much for the resolution and lovely flowers you sent to my aunt Mrs. Eva Williams' homegoing.

END OF YEAR GIVING

All contributions must be in the finance office or postmarked by Wednesday, December 31, 2025 to be included in your 2025 contribution report or for income tax purpose.

WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOUR HEALING

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MEMBERS CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

December 29 Ms. Stacey Whitfield **December 30** Mr. Kirk Brown, Miss Kea Hudson **January 1** Mr. Maurice Bridges **January 2** Mr. Kevin Hamilton **January 3** Deacon Randy Reed, Ms. Yolanda Bean, Kamille Gallegos

DEACON OF THE WEEK - DECEMBER 28, 2025 - JANUARY 3, 2026,

The Deacon of the Week is **Deacon Randy Reed**. Members may call the Deacon or the Pastor at (210) 227-2605 to express concerns or encouragement. Deacon Reed can be reached at (210) 393-3743.

NEW YEAR'S CLOSURE

The office will close on Wednesday, December 31, 2025 at 1:00 P.M. and will reopen Monday, January 5, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH



SUPPORT GROUP

Grieving a loss?

Find hope and healing after
the death of a loved one!



Join Us At
Second Baptist Church
3310 E. Commerce Street, San Antonio Texas 78220

Grief Share Program
Sponsored by the Earnest Worker's
Circle of the
Women's Missionary Union

WEEKLY SESSIONS
BEGINNING JANUARY 7 - APRIL 1, 2026
12:00 PM-2:00 PM

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
COMMUNITY CENTER
DR. CHARLES AND DR. MARIE
THURSTON CLASSROOM

COST: \$10.00 FOR MATERIALS



To RSVP: register online
<https://find.griefshare.org/groups/281350>

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DONATE A TOOTH BRUSH TO SAMMINISTRIES



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SAMMinistries is an interfaith ministry whose mission is to help the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. SAMMinistries believes that life on Earth is a community and it is their desire that all who come there will find a place which mirrors God's love for the world...

DONATION LOCATION:
NARTHEX OF SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
*DEADLINE JANUARY 15, 2026

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION
PRESIDENT, MRS. ERMA ELLIS-DAVIS
REBEKAH AND DEBORAH CIRCLE

MAHOGANY BRAIN CHALLENGE 2026



Second Baptist Church will be participating in the Mahogany Brain Challenge 2026 Competition. The Mahogany Brain Challenge is an African American History quiz competition that allows our youth to explore their heritage and culture by learning information about notable African Americans and their contributions to American Society.

The competition is open to students in grades 3-8.

It will be held on February 28, 2026.

If your student is interested in participating
please contact Rev. Dr. Argra Nell Thompson.



“SERMON NOTES”

Who were the Main Characters?

Why and where is this Text in the Bible?

What other Scriptures were mentioned and what were the main points?

What were the meanings of the illustrations?

How did the Message affect your spiritual and moral life? _____

Suggested Sermon Scriptures _____

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