

1879 'THE FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR OF OUR SECOND CENTURY' 2026

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

3310 E. COMMERCE STREET, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78220

**“Using God’s Plan to Take the Church to the Next Level”
Jeremiah 29:11**

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

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.”

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

The Preparation for Worship “O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.” Psalm 95:1-3

The Prelude

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” arr. Thewes

Mrs. LaFaye Duren, Organist

The Call To Worship and the Invocation

Rev. Keith Jackson

WORSHIP IN PRAISE

The Opening Hymn of Praise

“It Is Well with My Soul”

When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, “It is well, it is well, with my soul.” **Refrain: It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.**

Though Satan should buffet, Though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul. **Refrain:**

The Responsive Reading

Psalm 121:1-8

Rev. Dr. Argra Thompson

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:

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. 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

Trustee Maurice Bridges

WORSHIP IN MEDITATION

The Morning Prayer

Rev. Angela Jackson

WORSHIP IN GIVING

The Offertory Sentence and Prayer

Rev. Cornell Evans

***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

“He’s Working It Out for You”

The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Sermon

“The Importance of Growth”

Rev. Keith Jackson

Text: “Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn. He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.” Matthew 13:24-30, 37-39

The Invitation to Discipleship

“Give Me A Clean Heart”

The Voices of Second Baptist Church

The Benediction

Rev. Keith Jackson

The Postlude

“Sing Hallelujah” arr. Wyrzten

Mrs. LaFaye Duren, Organist

*** Please Stand**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“VOICES LIFTED. SPIRITS MOVED. FUTURES INSPIRED.” Join **Wiley University A Cappella Choir** in concert for an unforgettable night of musical excellence, cultural legacy, and spiritual inspiration! Come out, **Friday, September 25, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.** in the **Second Baptist Church Sanctuary**. Proceeds from the concert go towards student scholarships; admission is **\$30 for Adults, free for students elementary-college with student I.D.**

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: Do you have a welcoming spirit and a warm smile? We are looking for friendly faces to help greet guests and members before our Sunday services and give the welcome during the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. If you are interested in helping others feel right at home in our church family, please contact the church office to get involved!

WELCOME TO THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH FAMILY

Mrs. Diane Morris Baptism

WE ARE PRAYING FOR YOUR HEALING

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MEMBERS CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

September 20 Mrs. Terri Ray, Miss Vivian Maner **September 21** Mrs. Amanda Searce, Fredrick Moore
September 23 Mr. Carl Bolden, Mr. D.J. Ennis, James Moore **September 24** Miss Paula Johnson, Mr. Anthony Washington
September 25 Mrs. Shirley Carson Davis **September 26** Mrs. Dolores Carter, Mr. Jaiteyon Williams, Mr. Bernard Miller, Miss Kimberly Mosley

DEACON OF THE WEEK SEPTEMBER 20-26, 2026

The Deacon of the Week is **Deacon Thomas Dunlap**. Members may call the Deacon or the Pastor at (210) 227-2605 to express concerns or encouragement. Deacon Dunlap can be reached at (210) 209-7505.

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY AND CHURCH FAMILY DINNER

Wednesday, September 23, 2026 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

Adult Bible Study Fellowship Hall - Youth Bible Study Taylor, Bland and Burns' Choir Room

STEPPING IN FAITH & JOY

SENIOR CITIZEN PRAISE DANCE CLASS



COME DANCE, FELLOWSHIP, & PRAISE THE LORD!

 **WHEN:** Every 1st & 3rd Saturday

 **TIME:** 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

 **WHERE:** Second Baptist Church Community Center
3310 E. Commerce St., San Antonio, TX

 **FOR MORE INFORMATION** 

Rev. Angela Jackson

 **830-388-2873**

**BEGINNING
OCTOBER
3, 2026**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY – ALL ARE WELCOME!

A SPIRIT-FILLED FITNESS CLASS FOR MIND, BODY & SOUL

MEGA JOB FAIR

Hosted
By



ACADEMY &
CAREER
SERVICES

SAN ANTONIO JOB FAIR

Date:

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Time:

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM (Open to the Public)

Location:

Second Baptist Community Center 3310 E. Commerce
St., San Antonio, TX 78220

Employers & Vendors:

50+ organizations on-site looking to hire!

Featured Industries:

Warehousing & Production • Hospitality •
Administrative & Customer Service •

FREE ADMISSION • NETWORK WITH EMPLOYERS •

LETTER FROM FINANCE CHAIRMAN

Dear Second Baptist Church Family,

Annual Men and Women's Day is coming! Our church family will celebrate this important annual occasion on Sunday, October 25, 2026, during the 11:00 A.M. worship service.

This is a special time for our men, women, members, families, and friends to come together in worship, fellowship, thanksgiving, and financial support of the ministry God has entrusted to us. We are asking every member to begin preparing now through prayer, faithful stewardship, and consistent giving.

Tithing is a vital expression of obedience and gratitude to God. When we tithe regularly and give faithfully, we help provide for the ongoing work of the church: worship services, ministry programs, outreach, maintenance of our facilities, and the many needs that arise throughout the year.

Our 2026 Annual Men and Women's Day fundraising goal is \$125,000. This goal is an important part of meeting the church budget and strengthening our ability to continue serving our congregation and community. We encourage every member to prayerfully consider making a sincere and sacrificial contribution toward this annual fundraising effort.

Giving categories	Amount
Partners	\$1,000+
Couples & Family Gifts	\$1,000+
Investors	\$500+
Quad-Century	\$400+
Tri-Century	\$300+
Bi-Century	\$200+
Contributors	\$100+
Faithful Supporters up to	\$99

Every gift matters, regardless of its amount. We invite each member and family to prayerfully select a giving category, then give generously as the Lord leads. Let us work together in unity so that this year's Men and Women's Day will be a spiritual and financial success.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, October 25, 2026, at 11:00 A.M. Let us come prepared to worship, celebrate, and give generously in support of our church.

Deacon Thomas Washington
Chairman Finance Committee

“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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