



OUR STAFF

FIRST FOCUS

WELCOME

We gather this morning from all parts of this great city, connected by a common love for Jesus Christ and a contagious joy that we have discovered in him.

"His mercies are new every morning" says the Scripture. So, we meet in this holy, happy place with the expectation of finding "grace to help."

We are glad that you have joined us today! We call it "fellowship around God's Word" and our prayer is that you will experience for yourself the encouragement of the Lord and His people.

The card below is intended for use by our guests. We are grateful for an opportunity to get to know you.

"Let the world hear His voice." God bless you.

Don Guthrie, Pastor

GUEST REGISTRATION

11:00

Welcome to First Baptist Church. We are glad you chose to worship with us today. To help us minister to you, please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.

Today's date _____
 Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms) _____
 Single Married Birthday/Year _____ Age _____
 Military Affiliation Y or N Branch of Service _____ Installation _____
 Family Member Deployed? Y or N
 Address _____ Apt No. _____
 City/State _____ Zip _____
 Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ E-mail _____

Please check grades or ages of children living at home.
 Preschool: under 2 2 yrs. 3 yrs. 4 yrs. 5 yrs.
 Children: 1st grade 2nd grade 3rd grade
 4th grade 5th grade
 Students: 6th grade 7th grade 8th grade 9th grade
 10th grade 11th grade 12th grade College (19-24 yrs.)
 I am visiting from out-of-town I am seeking a church home
 I would like to become a member of First Baptist Church. Please contact me.
 I would welcome further contact via e-mail phone personal visit

T. Don Guthrie
SENIOR PASTOR

René De Alejandro
MINISTER, HISPANIC FELLOWSHIP

Jimmy Gunn
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, PRESCHOOL/ELEMENTARY

Rick Henderson
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, YOUTH

Aaron C. Hufty
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Scott R. Lane
EXECUTIVE PASTOR, MINISTRY

Danny M. Panter, Jr.
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, YOUNG MARRIEDS,
AND COMMUNITY MISSIONS

R. Bryan Richardson
ASSOCIATE PASTOR,
PASTORAL MINISTRIES, SINGLE ADULTS,
AND SMALL GROUPS

Larry D. Soape
ASSOCIATE PASTOR, SUNDAY SCHOOL,
MEDIAN AND SENIOR ADULTS, AND MISSIONS

Charles L. Wedge
EXECUTIVE PASTOR, ADMINISTRATION

Wayne Williams
MINISTER, INTERNATIONAL/ASIAN MINISTRIES

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DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS

Sheila Jennette
DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL SERVICES

Chris Lair
DIRECTOR, MEDIA AND BROADCAST

David Rohmfeld
DIRECTOR, FACILITIES

*"For the longest time, I thought I needed to be more organized.
Now I know I just needed less stuff."
-Inspiredrd.com*

*"Be on your guard against every form of greed, for not even when one has an abundance does life consist of his possessions."
-James (Luke 12:15)*

TODAY IN WORSHIP.

- 8:30 Early Service (Traditional), Don Guthrie, preaching
- 9:30 International Services (3 Services; Zomi at 12:30)
- 11:00 Late Service (Traditional), Don Guthrie, preaching
- 11:00 LOGOS (Contemporary), Don Guthrie, simulcast
- 11:00 Spanish Service (Blanchard Lounge), René De Alejandro, preaching
- 6:00 No Evening Services (Ministry Training Opportunities)

"SEEING 2020" – FBCSA Strategic Planning Weekend. January 20-21. "I know the plans I have for you", says the Lord. "Plans for welfare and not calamity" (Jeremiah 29:11). You're invited to join the staff and members of FBCSA as we seek the Lord and His plans for the coming years. Friday night or Saturday morning. RSVP for childcare by calling the church office at 210.226.0363 or email karen@fbcsa.org.

ALL CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS – January 11 & 18. *What Now? What Next?* A dynamic and growing church is always asking these questions of the Lord. Part of our preparation for the Strategic Planning Process is to gather our members for powerful moments of united prayer. Wednesday nights, January 11 and 18 at 6 pm (or Thursday mornings, January 12 and 19 at 11:00 for those who cannot make Wednesday) you are invited to come and seek the Lord's blessing and guidance on our fellowship for the coming years. *"Call unto Me and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things which you do not know!"* –Jeremiah 33:3

ALL-CHURCH RETREAT – January 27–29. Join us at Echo Valley, H-E-B Encampment in Leakey, Texas for fellowship and fun. Meals are provided, outdoor games and activities, campfire, group and individual devotion time, dorm-style sleeping arrangements. Adults - \$12. Children 12 - 4 - \$8. 3 & Under – Free. Sign-up will begin January 1 in Unity Hall or you can call the church office at 210.226.0363 or register online at fbcsa.org/allchurchretreat.

PARKING LOT CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION – The "Staff Lot" will be under construction for the next 6-8 weeks. Handicap parking will be moved to the McCullough lot during this time. Please see this week's Highlights for more details and a map. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

WINTER SERMON SERIES: "MARK" – In preparation for January 15, please read the *Re:Verse* scripture passage – Mark 8:27-38: 9:1. You are also encouraged to read daily reflections from our pastors on the *Re:Verse* scripture verse at TheEverydayPrayer.com.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SAN ANTONIO

OUR MISSION

IS TO FOLLOW OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
AND TO LEAD ALL OTHERS TO A
JOYFUL LIFE IN HIM

TODAY'S SERMON

"THE PROBLEM WITH RELIGION"
T. DON GUTHRIE, PREACHING
January 8, 2017 | 11:00 AM



JANUARY 8, 2017 | 11:00 AM

Epiphany Sunday

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Preparation for Worship "Variations on How Brightly Shines the Morningstar" arr. Hobby

HIS NAME

Scripture Reading Isaiah 60:1-6 Aaron Hufty

"Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. 2"For behold, darkness will cover the earth and deep darkness the peoples; But the LORD will rise upon you and His glory will appear upon you. 3"Nations will come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising. 4"Lift up your eyes round about and see; they all gather together, they come to you. Your sons will come from afar, and your daughters will be carried in the arms. 5"Then you will see and be radiant, and your heart will thrill and rejoice; because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, the wealth of the nations will come to you. 6"A multitude of camels will cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba will come; they will bring gold and frankincense, and will bear good news of the praises of the LORD.

Call to Worship "We Three Kings" arr. Hamilton The Sanctuary Choir

Hymn 117* "As with Gladness Men of Old" Dix

Greet One Another Aaron Hufty

Welcome and Prayer Larry Soape

HIS WORD

Scripture Reading Matthew 22:36-37 Aaron Hufty

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37And He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Hymn 482* "All to Thee" LORIANN

The Children's Message Pastor

Hymn 492* "Purer in Heart, O God" PURER IN HEART

Anthem "Create in Me" Purifoy The Sanctuary Choir

Message "The Problem with Religion" Don Guthrie Mark 7:1-23

OUR RESPONSE

Hymn of Decision 297* "Search Me, O God" ELLERS

Offertory "Appalachian Carol" Goeller Orchestra at First

HIS FAMILY

Life Together Scott Lane

Christianity Explored Testimony Kellie Prinzing

Welcome, New Members! Bryan Richardson

Going Out Together Hymn 495* "Serve the Lord with Gladness" LEE

"Serve the Lord with gladness" in our works and ways, Come before His presence with our songs of praise; Unto Him our Maker we would pledge anew Life's supreme devotion to service true.

"Serve the Lord with gladness," Enter His courts with song; To our Creator true praises belong; Great is His mercy, wonderful is His name, We gladly serve Him, His great love proclaim.

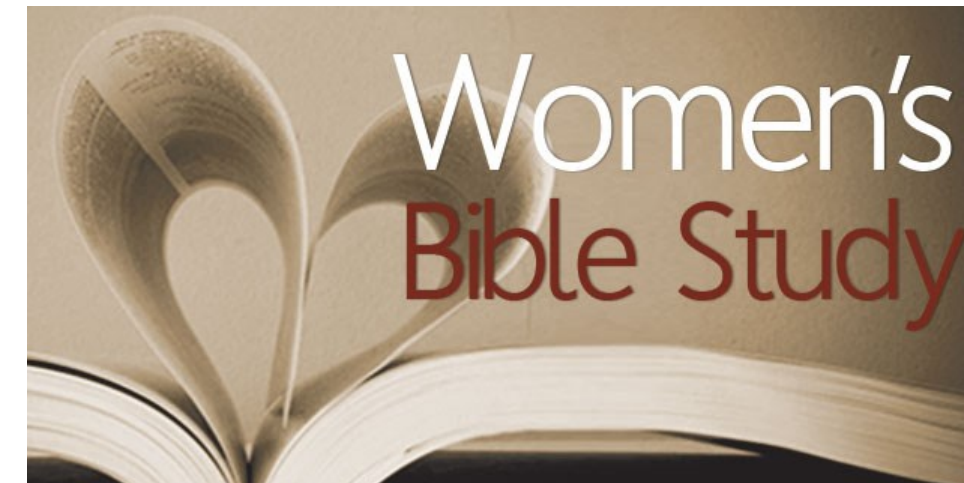
Postlude "Voluntary on Wie Schön Leuchtet Der Morgenstar" arr. Beverst

Seth Nelson Jennifer McLeod Organ Piano

We rejoice with David and Toki Wilcox in the birth of their son, Vincennes Luke, born January 2, 2017.

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Ron and Martha Nelson.

Morning Worship telecast live on KSAT-TV "Touching lives through television for over forty years." Song lyrics are reprinted by permission CCLI #631849.



Tuesday Morning Bible Study 2 Corinthians- LifeChange Series beginning January 17, 2017

- Classes meet Tuesday mornings from 9:30am to 11:30am in Webb 212
*Register in Unity Hall or at fbcsa.org/womensbiblestudy
Registration cost is \$9.00 which includes the cost of the study book
Childcare available by registration through January 8
*Lesson 1 should be completed before the first class on January 17.

Wednesday Evening Book Study 8-week book study by Holly Gerth beginning January 25, 2017

- Wednesday evenings 6:00pm to 7:30pm in Webb 303
Facilitator: Holly Guthrie
Register in Unity Hall January 8, 15, 22 or at fbcsa.org/womensbiblestudy
Registration cost is \$9.00 which includes the cost of the study book
Childcare available by registration through January 15

I Belong Here

11:00

Belonging to a church is a biblical, beneficial step. Membership in a church says 3 things. I BELIEVE what these people believe. I AM COMMITTED to love them and be loved by them. I WILL SERVE with them as we honor Christ by building His church together. I BELONG HERE!

- I want to become a member of FBC.
I am interested. Please contact me for conversation and future opportunities to learn about FBC.
I have questions.

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

(Please check preferred way of contact.)

God bless you!