

God is Spirit!

His Worshipers Must Worship Him in Spirit and in Truth!

Second Sunday Worship – February 9, 2020

Early-Morning Worship Experience - 8:00 a.m.

Prayer Service (7:30 a.m.)	
Praise Period (7:50 a.m.)	Praise Team
Our Confession of Renewal	Congregation Standing
The Gloria Patri	Congregation Standing
Hymn of Praise	The Choir
Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
Congregational Hymn	Congregation Standing
Welcome to Visitors	Sis. Florence J. Porter
<i>—Black History Month Moment—</i>	
We Worship the Lord in Song (<i>two selections</i>)	The Choir
Intercessory Prayer	Associate Minister
The Sermonic Scripture Reading	The Pastor
The Hymn of Preparation	Congregation Standing
The Sermon	The Pastor
The Invitation to Christian Discipleship	
The Closing Hymn and Benediction	Congregation Standing

Mid-Morning Worship Experience - 11:00 a.m.

Harp Prelude (10:50 a.m.)	
Our Confession of Renewal/Invocation	Congregation Standing
Praise and Worship Period	Praise Team and Congregation
Giving of Tithes and Offerings	
Special Music	Children and Youth Choirs
Welcome to Visitors	Sis. Florence J. Porter
<i>—Black History Month Moment—</i>	
We Worship the Lord in Song (<i>two selections</i>)	The Choir
Intercessory Prayer	Associate Minister
The Sermonic Scripture Reading	The Pastor
Preparational Selection	The Choir
The Sermon	The Pastor
The Invitation to Christian Discipleship	
The Closing Hymn and Benediction	Congregation Standing

What We Believe: Our Confession of Renewal

We believe in God, the Father, infinite in wisdom, goodness and love; and in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord and Savior, who for us and our salvation, lived and died and rose again, and lives evermore; and in the Holy Spirit, who takes the things of Christ and reveals them to us, renewing, comforting and inspiring the souls of men. We believe in the Parenthood of God and the unity of humanity. We believe that Christ is the Way and the Truth and the Life. We believe in the clean heart and the unworldly life and the service of love that Jesus taught and exemplified. We accept His Spirit and His teaching, and we dedicate ourselves to His unfinished work!

Offertory Prayer

Lord, in this Black History Month, we give to You of Your own. We know that all we have is Yours, which You have entrusted to us. From the firstfruits of Your bountiful blessings, may we give back to You—gladly and lovingly, that we may be a blessing to others. In the name of Jesus, our Christ, we pray. AMEN!

In case of a medical emergency, the following **Emergency Response Volunteer** should be notified: **8:00 a.m. – Sis. Diane Matthews** **11:00 a.m. – Sis. Eugene Robinson-Jackson**

Announcements

Welcome to Shiloh! We are honored to have the Order of Eastern Star Prince Hall Affiliation of Louisiana, Pride of Baton Rouge Chapter 115 visiting with us during our Mid-Morning Worship Experience. We hope that you feel at home and among friends. As we continue in Black History Month, we will have *Black History Month Moments* in each of our worship experiences. If you are seeking a Church home, we hope that you will be inspired by this worship and consider making Shiloh your Church home.

On Wednesdays, join us for **Mid-Week Bible Study**, at Noon and/or 6:30 p.m. At Noon, we are studying *I Thessalonians*; at 6:30 p.m., we are surveying *Esther*. Also, there are age-specific classes on Wednesday evenings. Children and Youth meet with *Minister Troy Kennedy*, and young adults meet with *Minister Rodney Johnson*. We want you to make a commitment to become a regular part of the Bible Study experience.

On *Wednesday, February 26*, our **Children’s, Music and Christian Education Ministries** will host our **Annual Black History Month Program**, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Please make every effort to be present as we remember the stony road we have trod to come from the places where our ancestors prayed and cried.

Please participate in our internal survey. It will take only about five minutes to complete. You may pick up a hard copy of the survey from the Church Office, or you may fill it out online by going to our website, www.shilohbr.com, or <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/shiloh2020>. Thank you for your cooperation.

MyEoffering offers the convenience of *online giving*. Go to our website, www.shilohbr.com, and click on the “Give” button at the top of the homepage, or the, “*Make a Donation*” button at the bottom. Create a personal account and make your contribution with your credit/debit card, checking or savings account.

Children’s Church meets during **Mid-Morning Worship**. Parents, please let your children (ages 5-12) share in this enriching experience. For more information, contact *Minister Troy Kennedy, Deacon Samuel Culbert, Sis. Maria J. Foster* or *Rev. Demetria L. Jones-Smith*.

Prayer-by-Phone is each *Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6:00 a.m.*, led by *Rev. Emanuel Smith, Minister of Community Outreach, and Min. Rodney Johnson*. Call 302.202.1106; then enter the code, 517566.

We hold worship on the *Third Saturday (10:00 a.m.) and Fourth Sunday (2:00 p.m.)*, at **Carrington (February Speaker – Min. Troy Kennedy) & Sterling (February Speaker – Dr. Thomas Durant) Place Nursing Homes**. Ministry leaders are asked to schedule your ministry to host the worship by contacting *Min. Patsy Wilkerson (225.252.2061 or patsywilkerson2016@gmail.com)*.

On the Second Saturday of each month, at 10:30 a.m., our **Brotherhood and Sisterhood Ministries** serve the homeless, at *153 North 17th Street*. You may donate cash or toiletries—*deodorant, mouthwash, toothbrushes, toothpaste, travel size wet-ones* (receptacles are throughout the campus). For more information, contact *Bro. Ron Markham* or *Sis. Gail Grover*.

Join the **Tabitha Ministry** on *Saturday, February 22* from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., for a “*Vanessa’s Dresses for African Girls, Sew A Thon*”, to be held in the *D. T. Smith Educational Center*. For more information contact *Min. Diane Taylor*.

Our **Early Learning Academy** provides quality care at a reasonable price for children 6 weeks – 1st grade. We are presently enrolling students. For a tour, or to get more information, contact *Ms. Teresita Pope*, Academy Director, at 225.343.4734.

On *Tuesday, February 18, from 6:000-8:00 p.m.*, *Methodists for Social Justice*, a Ministry of **First United Methodist Church**, will host, “*Perspectives on*

Homelessness in Baton Rouge.” This is an opportunity to educate the public about the complex issues around homelessness in our community, from a panel of service providers and policy makers. Presenters include *Mayor-President Sharon Weston Broome; Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Rowdy Gaudet; Rev. Levert Kemp of Greater Antioch Baptist Church; Chris Nichols of Options Villa; Karen Stagg of Connections for Life; Randy Nichols, Executive Director of Capital Area Alliance for the Homeless; and BRPD Chief Murphy Paul*. Register for this free event at eventbrite.com (search for “*Perspectives on Homelessness*”). Contact *Jennifer Carwile* with any questions at 704.526.8097.

***** SCHOLARSHIPS 2020 ARE COMING!!! *****

Shiloh Baptist Church Scholarship Program Requirements:

- Must have at least 70% Christian Education attendance at Shiloh between the May 5, 2019 and April 26, 2020.
- Must be a member of Shiloh for at least one year.
- Must be a high school graduate or enrolled in a university, community college or technical college.
- Must use funds for undergraduate studies.
- Must have at least a 2.5 GPA.

Be on the lookout for additional information.

SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES: Homeless Students

More than 1.5 million U.S. public school students experienced homelessness during the 2017-2018 school year, according to a **National Center for Home-less Education** report released in January. The number is the highest recorded in over 10 years. It represents a population larger than the estimated total population of Dallas, Texas.

The number of students experiencing homelessness spiked by 15% between 2015 and 2018, the three most recent school years covered in the report, rising from, 1,307,656 in 2015/16, to 1,508,265 in 2017/18.

Barbara Duffield, Executive Director of **School House Connection**, a non-profit that combats homelessness, said in a statement: “*The record number of children and youth experiencing homelessness nationwide is alarming. But for many of these children and youth, public schools are their best—and often only—source of support. Schools exist in all communities, regardless of whether or not there are enough shelter beds; they are required to identify, enroll, and serve homeless children and youth; they use a definition of homelessness that captures the reality of homelessness for youth and families; and they provide the tools children and youth need to succeed.*”

The homeless student population increased by 10% or more in 16 states during the three school years covered in the report. Only five states experienced an “*equally large*” decrease over the same time period. Over the course of the study, the number of students living in “*unsheltered situations,*” which includes cars and abandoned buildings, increased by 137%. Students living in hotels or motels increased by 24% and students listed as living in “*doubled-up*” situations increased by 13%. The number of students in shelters decreased by 2%, however.

These numbers do not include the total number of homeless children and youth in America, as the report only includes public school students. It also doesn't take into account students who only experience homelessness during the summer or who drop out of school, according to the report.

THANK YOU

Shiloh Church Family, we wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who have sent messages of kindness, condolence and sympathy. Your support and thoughts have made this difficult time a little easier. Thank you for remembering my dear brother in your prayers and for reaching out to my family as we struggle to cope with our loss. Thank you for your prayers. God bless you. ***The Hampton Family***

