

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Children's Sabbath

October 18, 2020

11:00 A.M.

Chiming of the Hour

Centering Words & Candle Lighting

Andres & Isela

Let us worship the Lord, who came not as a powerful ruler, but as a babe. Let us worship the Lord, who said: "Let the little children come unto me, do not stop them, for such is the kingdom of God." Let us worship the Lord!

—*Mark 10:14*

Voluntary

David Weigle

Rainbow Connection

Call to Worship

Beatrice & Rocio

Gather our hearts, O God,
knitting us together across difference and division
to live with your compassion.

**Gather our minds, O God,
from distractions and distance
to focus on you and your children.**

Gather our wills, O God,
to be strong and courageous in pursuit of our justice.

**By the power of your holy spirit,
make us one in heart and mind, and spirit
as we worship you on this Children's Sabbath day.**

Come, let us worship God.

Invocation

Nolan

Great God, guard the laughter of children. Bring them safely through injury and illness so they may live the promises you give. Do not let us be so preoccupied with our purposes that we fail to hear their voices, or pay attention to their special vision of the truth; but keep us with them, ready to listen and to love, even as in Jesus Christ you have loved us, your grown-up, wayward children. Amen.

Hymn [see insert]

Worshippers

Make Us Miracles — HYMN TO JOY
(stanzas one and four)

Text by Danny Wesley Ray, inspired by the writings of the Children of the Church
for the 60th Anniversary of Royal Lane Baptist Church, October 28, 2012

Cough Drops in Church (A dialogue)

Addison & Janina Washington

What do you like best about church?

I like cough drops.

I know you like cough drops, but what do you like the best about church?

Well, cough drops are important to little kids like me.

Cough drops are very nice if you have a cough.

You mean if I don't have a cough, they're not nice?

Oh, I imagine you'd like them anytime, but they're for a cough.

Well, I like them in church.

Cough or not?

**I feel so good while I'm sitting, next to you
and kind of snuggling up, chewing a cough drop.**

Kind of good?

Warm—like belonging, you know.

Belonging?

That's the way I feel about church.

**I belong here, where the music is
and where the words say that God loves me
even if I am a little kid.**

Even if?

**Well, I don't have a job or anything like that,
but God doesn't seem to mind.**

No, God doesn't seem to mind at all.

In fact, I'd venture to say that God likes very much
to have you in church, unemployed though you might be.

Cough drops and all?

Cough drops and all!

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

O Source of Transformation, we turn our hearts to you on this Children's Sabbath. We pray for the Church, that we become an ever more true reflection of your welcome. Lead us in our witness to your justice. Teach us to be the embodiment of your love, especially for the youngest, impoverished, and most marginalized of your beloved children. Source of Transformation, we pray:

Make our lives a living prayer.

Source of Compassion, we pray for the world, in which disease knows no boundary and suffering is a shared language. We ask that love will unite us in action that recognizes our common humanity. Give us your desire that all may live in the fullness of life. Source of Compassion, we pray:

Make our lives a living prayer.

Source of Hope, we pray for our nation wounded by disease and death, division and distrust, pain and poverty, and so many uncertainties. Instill in us calm and trust in you that helps us reimagine our future with justice and joy for all children. Source of Hope, we pray:

Make our lives a living prayer.

Source of Strength, on this Children's Sabbath weekend, we pray especially for the children and youth of our congregations and communities. We hold in our hearts those who struggle with disrupted learning, delayed plans, disappointment and loneliness. We pray for those whose families struggle to make ends meet. We pray that this weekend will inspire new, lasting action to work with our children toward your vision of justice and joy. Source of Strength, we pray:

Make our lives a living prayer.

Source of Comfort, we pray for those whose have died, especially those who died too young, too soon, from causes we could have prevented. We pray for those whose lives were lost to disease and despair, to brutality and bullying, to shootings and to suicide. Help us to be your arms of care for those who grieve and your voice to prevent unnecessary losses. Source of Comfort, we pray:

Make our lives a living prayer.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud or post in the comments section.

Let us pray:

These things we ask in Jesus' name, who came among us as a living prayer of transformation, compassion, hope, strength and comfort. Amen.

Response [see insert]

Worshippers

In the Bulb — PROMISE

Scripture Lesson

Claire

Mark 10:13-16 [see insert]

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word ... **Thanks be to God!**

Solo

Harper

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot — arranged by Ruth Elaine Schram

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ Kingdom Values in Kindergarten ”

Stewardship Hymn

Worshippers

The Ties That Bind — DENNIS



We wor - ship God__ at home, Our fam' - ly shares and prays. And



we__ will join__ each oth - er soon__ To build__ our faith__ a - gain.

A Stewardship Moment

Karen Miller & DeeDee Young

Offertory

David Weigle

Learning to Walk — Joseph Martin

Communion

Violette, Sophie, Leslie & Forrest McKinney

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at the table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to them and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. As you do this, remember me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks, gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

Communion Prayer

God, we gather as children around your table. We remember the sacrifice of your son, Jesus Christ, who came in love, lived in love, and died in love. May we leave this table with hope and ready to share that love with our families, our communities and in our world. Amen.

A Tribute to Tim Schaefer

Phil Keith, Personnel Committee

Closing Hymn [see insert]

Worshippers

For Everyone Born — FOR EVERYONE BORN
(stanzas one and five)

Blessing

Annaleigh, Beatrice, Ford, & Michael Gregg

And as we go from this time of worship

remember that we are blessed.

Remember to open your eyes

to see those who are alone.

Remember to reach out in love,

to those who need comfort.

Remember to speak out

for those who are hurting.

And let us remember this day, and every day,

that we are all God's children.

Amen.

Amen.

Postlude

David Weigle

Blue Ridge — Joseph Martin

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Cover Art — *The Ties That Bind*, 2020 stewardship theme

Hymn Notes

Make Us Miracles

Text: Danny Wesley Ray, October 28, 2012

Inspired by the writings of the Children of Royal Lane

On the 60th Anniversary of Royal Lane Baptist Church

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October 21, 2020 – Quarterly Church Conference

The October Quarterly Church Conference will include a presentation by the Member Resource Committee of the 2020/2021 Church Leadership Roster for congregational approval. The Leadership Roster includes the names of the folks who are being nominated and who have agreed to serve on the various committees of the church.

November 1, All Saints' Sunday

On Sunday, November 1, 2020, we will honor the saints of Royal Lane Baptist Church who have passed away since November 1 of 2019. If you have a family member you would like to honor in this service, please leave a message with the church office, 214-361-2809, by Wednesday, October 21 for listing in the Order of Worship. Include name, date of death, and your relationship to this person. We have gathered many names for this list. Please check with the church office to make sure we have included your family member.

You may also submit your remembrance requests by email to bmerry@royallane.org or jschultz@royallane.org in the church office.



October Missions Project

Tango Tab Feed the City

We are excited to bring a new missions project to you that you and your families can do together at home. We are partnering with Tango Tab's Feed The City program. Tango Tab is an organization that has been fighting hunger in our city since 2015. We will pack paper lunch sacks at home with shelf stable food which will be given out to people in need throughout the metroplex.

In each bag you will put

- 1 granola bar,
- 1 apple sauce or tuna pouch, and
- 1 bottle of water

Please write an encouraging message on each paper bag, for example "You are loved".

The Missions Division volunteers will add a piece of fruit before we deliver them to Tango Tab. We would love for Royal Laners to provide at least 100 lunches, and more if we can. How many can your family make?

Sack Lunch Collection

Contact Charlotte Sewell or Laura Keller if you need to schedule time to drop off Sack Lunches this week. Sack Lunches will be delivered to Tango Tab early on Saturday, October 24.

Thank you all!



Royal Lane Baptist Church

Sunday, October 25 ~ 4:00 - 5:00

Sponsored by the RLBC Youth and Fellowship Committee

Needed for Trick or Treat!

Individually wrapped candy, small prizes, or donations to purchase supplies.

Contact Laura Keller if you have donations for this event.

Make Us Miracles HYMN TO JOY Words by DANNY WESLEY RAY (ASCAP)

inspired by the writings of the Children of the Church, Royal Lane Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, for the 60th Anniversary, October 28, 2012



- 1. You have placed a con - gre - ga - tion in this time and in this place.
2. *No - ah built an ark of safe - ty when the rains fell on the land.*
3. As your guests, we come, u - ni - ted to the great re - mem - brance meal.
→ 4. *May your pow'r with - in your peo - ple shine a light for all to see.*



Here we learn to love each oth - er, see Christ Je - sus in each face.
An - i - mals, though bit - ter ri - vals, calm - ly came at God's com - mand.
Sis - ters, bro - thers, all in - vi - ted; no more out - cast, here we kneel.
Bless those gath - ered at this stee - ple, ce - le - bra - ting ju - bi - lee.



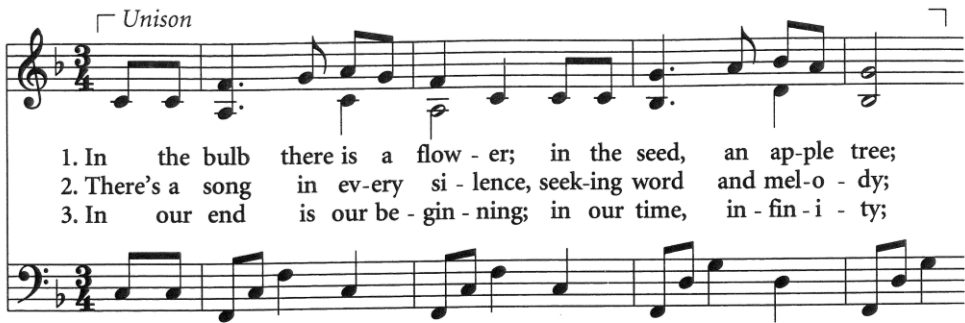
Mu - sic to re - joice, to __wor - ship, giv - ing, __learn - ing of God's word.
Proph - ets, teach - ers, sag - es, lead - ers, all in - clu - ded in this tale:
You, the source of all cre - a - tion, you speak truth through proph - ets bold.
Make us all your hands in __ser - vice, use us __now, though plain and flawed.



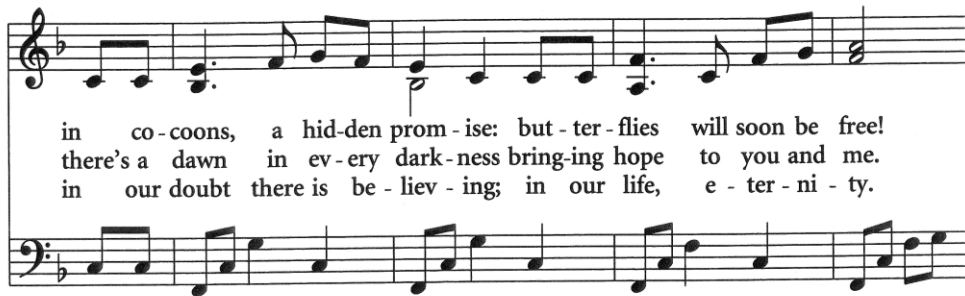
For the bless - ings of a fam - 'ly, we give thanks to you, O God.
Might - y Mo - ses in the de - sert, fright - ened Jo - nah and the whale.
you, the au - thor of sal - va - tion, Spir - it, fill both young and old.
Make us mir - a - cles that serve you. Use our gifts for you, O God.

In the Bulb

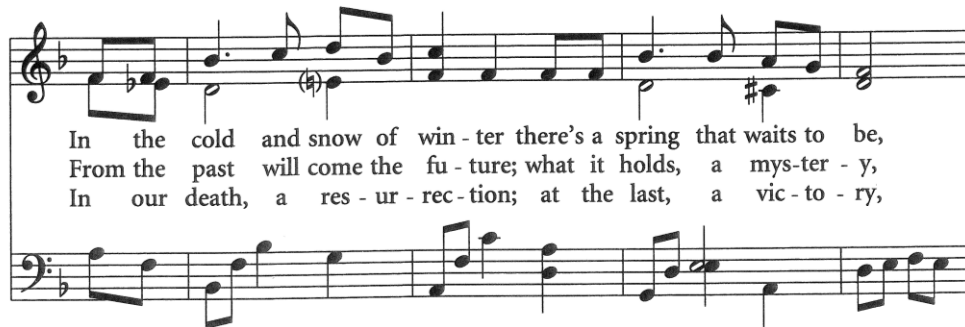
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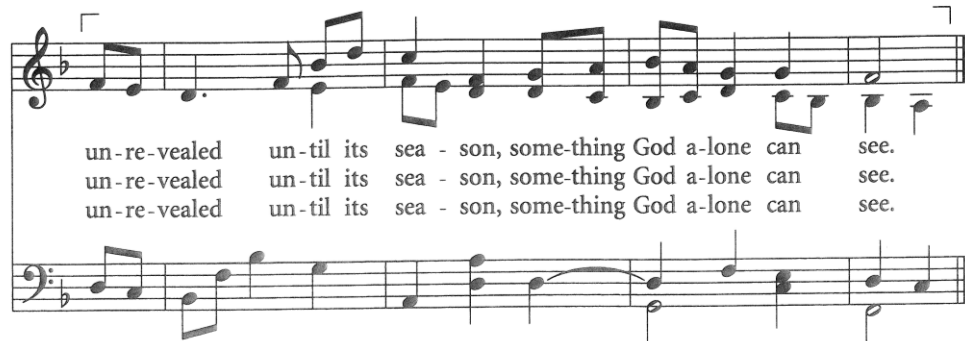
1. In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
2. There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
3. In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;



in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise; but - ter - flies will soon be free!
there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness bring - ing hope to you and me.
in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.



In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,



un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.
un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.
un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

For Everyone Born



- 1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
 → 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain



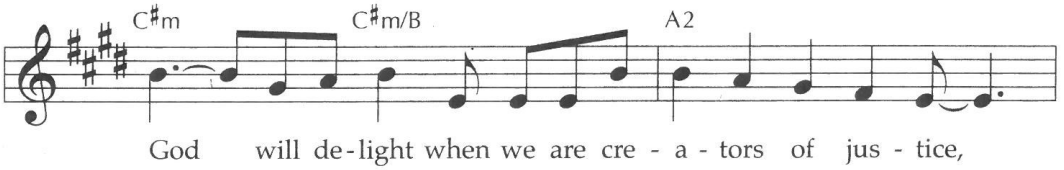
B All E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com-pas - sion and peace: yes,



C#m C#m/B A2

God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,



Bsus B E (fermata) Fine A2 E Bsus B

jus-tice and joy!

The Scripture this morning is Mark 10:13-16

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

(NRSV)

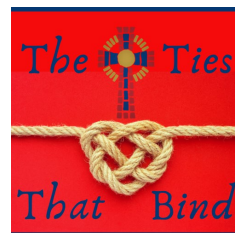
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word... **Thanks be to God.**

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday** **October 18 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost / Children’s Sabbath**
Following Worship – Chat with the Pastor — Zoom
3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
6:30 pm Middle School Sunday School — Zoom
- Wednesday** **October 21**
6:30 pm Quarterly Church Conference — Zoom
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir — Zoom
- Friday** **October 23**
12:00 pm Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
- Saturday** **October 24**
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
3:00 pm 3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
8:00 pm Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
- Sunday** **October 25 – Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost**
9:45 am Foundation Stones Class — Zoom
10:00 am 4-6-Year-Old Saturday School — Zoom
10:00 am Women’s Share & Prayer — Zoom
11:00 am Morning Worship – Deacon Ordination — Livestream
 Royal Lane YouTube Channel
3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
4:00 pm Drive-Thru Trick or Treat — Church Grounds (4:00 – 5:00 pm)
6:30 pm Middle School Sunday School — Zoom

The Ties That Bind

Our stewardship theme for this year is “The Ties That Bind”. We are bound together by many aspects of our lives even though we cannot be physically together every Wednesday night and Sunday morning. We are grateful for all the ways our ties have not changed due to COVID-19. As a church community we continue to care for the vulnerable and those who struggle with chronic health issues. We reach out to the elderly. We teach our children. We worship virtually. And we help each other in hard times.



Pledge online at royallane.org/pledge/

Schedule

All In-Person activities have been suspended until further notice.
See the website for information and resources.
royallane.org

Prayer Requests

We invite you to use the Prayer Request Form,
available on the website at royallane.org/prayer

Deacons on Call

Paulette Harrison & Cathy Walling

When WE Give: we can support our families even while worshipping apart.

August 2020 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues	\$ 522,107
Expenses	\$ 499,852
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 22,255

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