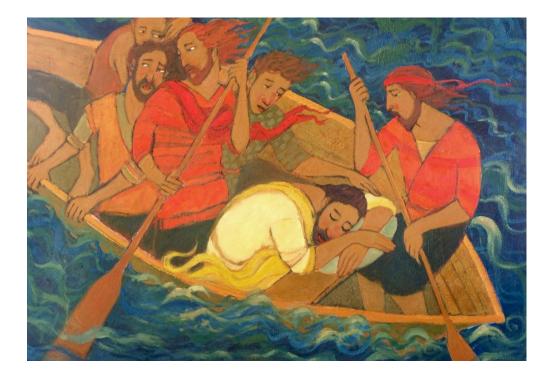
Royal Lane Baptist Church

Diverse People United in Christ



A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat . . .

The Worship of God Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 20, 2021

10:55 A.M.

Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary. Please use this as a time of quiet reflection and prayer, and to record your attendance at royallane.org/register (see QR located following postlude) To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices. Masks are highly encouraged for everyone, particularly during congregational singing. Unvaccinated children should wear masks. $\P -$ Please rise in body or in spirit.

Chiming of the Hour

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence. Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen for him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

Voluntary

Jonah Hammett, horn & David Weigle *Horn Concerto No. 1* — Strauss

Call to Worship Come to the Lord, whose love can dispel all our worries and fears.
Even though we trust in the Lord, we will face the future afraid of the storms life brings. Commit yourself completely to the care of our loving God. Only then will your faith be greater than your fears.
Come into our hearts, Lord. Abide with us and turn our fears into fearlessness. Congregation

Congregation

Merciful God, be with us in our hour of need. When lashed by the winds of life, we long to hear you speak words of grace, "Peace! Be still!" When frightened by the waves of woe, we yearn to have you by our side, calming our fear. Reveal your Presence in the eye of the storm, and give us the courage to call out in our need, for you are our calm center and our hope when all hope seems lost. Amen.

#Hymn 55 [see insert]

TInvocation

Let us pray:

Give to the Winds Your Fears — FESTAL SONG

Words of Welcome & Scripture Lesson Christ be with you ... and also with you!

Mark 4:35-41 [Pew Bible page *** of the New Testament or see insert] Holy Wisdom, Holy Word ... **Thanks be to God!**

Time of Silent Reflection

Time for Young Disciples

(Children remain in the pews with their families.)

Call to Confession John Helms & Congregation We strive to be strong and self-sufficient, but in truth we are in constant need of grace. In penitence and faith, let us confess our weakness to God and to one another.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

Most merciful God, forgive us. We imagine that we can live without you, when you give us our very breath. We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity. We allow fear to overtake us, even though our lives are in your hands. Draw us back into your steadfast love and shape us into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

Laura Keller

Congregation

Nancy Ferrell

Promise of Forgiveness

Children of God, the good news is this: grace is poured out like water; mercy flows like a never-ending stream, bathing us in goodness and love. Live, then, as those who have received new life, rejoicing in your baptism.

Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me — PILOT (stanzas 1 & 2)

Prayers of the People

Cathy Walling & Congregation

God of the sky and sea, your world brims with glory. You have set us in the midst of a garden and trusted its tending to us. We pray for our good Earth and the wisdom to care for it well, that generations to come may enjoy its fruits and revel in its beauty.

Saving God, hear our prayer.

God of the earthquake and the storm, your world is full of danger. Keep watch over your people and save them from despair, strengthen and uphold them when trouble comes.

Saving God, hear our prayer.

All knowing, all-loving God, we cannot always voice our hidden cares. Hear our silent prayers, even those without words.

Saving God, hear our prayer.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud. . .

(You may speak aloud the first name of those for whom you wish to pray.)

Silence Is Kept

Let us pray:

With trust in your sustaining Spirit, thanksgiving for your Son's interceding, and confidence in your coming realm of justice, peace, and love, we offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

He Never Failed Me Yet — Robert Ray Terry Berrier, soloist

Sermon

Mark Wingfield

" Forcing God's Hand "

*Hymn of Commitment 573 [see insert] It Is Well with My Soul — VILLE DU HAVRE If you would like to profess your faith or identify with this fellowship, please refer to pew rack card – "How to Become a Member"

Charge & Benediction

Mark Wingfield

Congregation

Watch with us in the storms of our lives, dear Lord; stir the waves with your powerful voice, and give us courage to continue the journey with you to the other side, to a new world. And may the God of hope fill us with joy in believing, that we may abound in hope in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Allegro Moderato from "Water Music" — G. F. Handel

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Register Your Attendance

Royallane.org/register



Wednesday Evening Sarah Key, Executive Director, Outlast Youth — Zoom Outlast Youth exists to reduce and prevent LGBTQ youth homelessness in Dallas and surrounding counties.

> Scriptures for Next Sunday 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43

How to Give to RLBC

Ushers will be at each door to receive your offering.

or you may

Text "GIVE" to 214-609-1200. Follow the prompts to complete the process. Standard text message rates may apply. Donate online at royallane.org/give/



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For the Children!

Children's bulletins are included in activity packets for ages 3+ and 7+. Don't miss the Secret Code to allow your child to unlock on-line games, in a safe environment, that supplement today's scripture at games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx





Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

Today's Guest Preacher, Mark Wingfield



Mark serves as executive director and publisher of Baptist News Global. His office is located in Dallas.

This is his second time working as a journalist, having worked in print journalism for 21 years before becoming the associate pastor of Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas for nearly 17 years.

Although out of professional journalism for those years, Mark was a regular opinion columnist for both BNG and the Dallas Morning News. He is the author of three books, the most recent of which is Why Churches Need to Talk About Sexuality (Fortress Press, 2019),

and gave a TEDx Talk in Charlottesville, Va., in 2016, titled "The Baptist Pastor and His Transgender Friends."

He earned a journalism degree from the University of New Mexico in 1984 and completed core studies toward the master of divinity degree at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary from 1985 through 1988. As both a layperson and a pastor, Mark has been active in support of the nonprofit sector, helping launch four nonprofit organizations. He currently serves on the board of Gateway of Grace Ministries and Gaston Christian Center, both in Dallas.

Mark and his wife, Alison, have identical twin sons, both professional jazz musicians and educators.

Are you curious about how the racial attitudes in your congregation compare to others within the Alliance of Baptists? Or within Protestant denominations within the U.S.?



Congregations within the Alliance of Baptists have long been leaders in their communities and regions in ordaining and calling women to fill their pulpits. Many have also been among the first to include the LGBTQ community in their full life and ministry. Now the Alliance is calling congregations to once again become leaders and *act to dismantle systems of white supremacy, patriarchy and abusive power* within our churches and society.

We have good news! The <u>"Churches that THRIVE for Racial Justice" initiative</u> offers a tool all congregations may utilize to make progress toward racial justice and unity-**an innovative and scholarly survey** that will give an informed and accurate profile of racial attitudes.

The survey is designed by the <u>Racial Justice and Unity Center (RJUC)</u>, a new collaborative endeavor to better understand racial dynamics in the United States--and in the Church in particular. Using a multifaceted, multidisciplinary methodology, the RJUC will produce robust, representative, and actionable insights on racial dynamics within U.S. churches.

The data from this survey will hold up a mirror to all of us, helping us more closely examine our ministries through the lens of racial justice. A denial of the existence of racial bias, racist attitudes or racialized ways of being in community is a common refrain in progressive-to-liberal churches. With the data from this survey, we will be provided informed research to more effectively address the realities people of color face regularly and move forward in transforming our congregations into antiracist communities.

In order for the reports to be representative, we need an adequate sampling of all congregations! It is important that your congregation <u>circulate this form among</u> <u>members encouraging them to sign up for the Alliance of Baptists database by the</u> <u>end of June.</u> It will be possible for your congregation to receive a report indicating racial attitudes for your specific congregation. If you would like to receive such a specific report, contact Paula Dempsey, director of partnership relations (<u>paula@allianceofbaptists.org</u>) for more information.

Please circulate the <u>sign-up form</u> now, and join our efforts to work toward racial justice in the Alliance of Baptists! – *In the spirit of justice, Paula Dempsey*



Blood Drive Royal Lane Baptist Church

Dining Hall 6707 Royal Ln Dallas, TX 75230

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: royallanebaptist to schedule an appointment.

> Special offer from our partners at Amazon: To thank you for coming to give June 14-30, well send you a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card by email. Restrictions apply, see amazon.com/gc-legal. Terms and conditions apply; visit rcblood.org/together.

Schedule an appointment: https://rcblood.org/3v8KQej

Notes for donors from the American Red Cross:

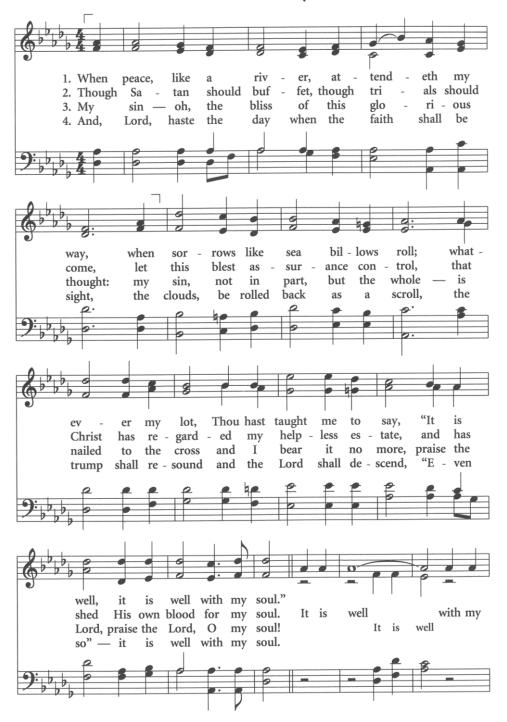
- You are absolutely able to donate after being vaccinated.
- Donors do not need to wear a mask if they are vaccinated we are working by an honor system so they would not have to show proof of vaccination.
- Red Cross is still testing for antibodies until June 25, so this drive falls before the testing ends.







It Is Well with My Soul





RLBC Independence Day Celebration!

Wednesday June 30, 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Please join us to as we return to celebrate Independence Pay outside together at Royal Lane! We will have an inflatable Slip and Slide for the kids, and the Kona Ice snow cone truck for everyone.

Bring your picnic dinner, we will have tables and chairs set up in the shade so we can eat and fellowship together. We will provide canned soda, water, and old fashioned paper fans to keep cool. We hope to see you all there! -----

The Scripture this morning is Mark 4:35-41, which may be found on page 816 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" *(NRSV)*

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

Schedule for the Week

Sunday	June 20 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
4:00 pm	Formations Class — Zoom
Tuesday	June 22
9:00 am	Red Cross Blood Drive — Vickrey Hall (9:00 am – 3:00 pm)
Wednesday	June 23
6:30 pm	Midweek Study — Zoom
•	with Sarah Key, Executive Director, Outlast Youth
6:30 pm	Wacky Wednesday
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir — Sanctuary
Saturday	June 26
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
8:00 pm	Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
Sunday	June 27 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
9:45 am	Foundation Stones Class — Zoom
10:55 am	Morning Worship, Laura Keller, preacher — Sanctuary
	or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
4:00 pm	Formations Class — Zoom

Children's, Middle School & Youth Sunday Schools are on sabbatical for the month of June and will be on holiday over the July 4 weekend.

The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

How to Connect

See the Weekly Mosaic or Web Calendar for Links and details for Zoom, Livestream and Virtual events — royallane.org/resources/events Group hosts and leaders will provide links for events with no published link.

Prayer Requests

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the "pockets" on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests or the Prayer Request Form, available on the website at royallane.org/prayer. Prayer cards may be left in the offering plate as you leave today's service.



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