

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2022

10:55 A.M.

*Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.
To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.
✠ – Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chiming of the Hour

There are still those today who want the civic arena and the spiritual arena to be blended, unified, one. Listen to Jesus, of all people, saying no to that notion. Jesus refused to be trapped in the politics of false choice. His was and is a kin-dom that is implicit and imbedded in all human and worldly affairs but is not measured by the standards of passing kingdoms. Jesus leaves us with a core question: What belongs to God? How will we know the answer?

Voluntary

Trio de Bois

Teak: Clear the Tracks — from *Trois Bois* by Dan Collins

✠Call to Worship

Elwanda Edwards - Chair of Finance & Congregation

Come, people of God, into the realm of God's reign unfolding as we speak.

We come with awe and wonderment.

Come, people of God, into the clash of empires, hopeful and fearful at the same time.

We come wanting to believe in an empire of tough love and an economy of costly grace.

Come, people of God, into choices that only the eyes of faith can discern.

We come with hope that God will grant us spiritual wisdom and the courage of faith.

✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

God, almost every day we wrestle with overwhelming choices – Caesar or God, life or death, love or hate, possessions or freedom. Often we choose wisely, but then there are those other times. Our wants get confused with our needs. Our “must haves” overshadow our satisfaction with ourselves, our loved ones, and even life itself. Give to us the vision and wisdom to see your way clearly. Then empower us with your grace and courage, that we might take the higher path. In all things keep us faithful to your gift of love – for you, for our neighbors, and for ourselves. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

✠Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

We Utter Our Cry — LYONS

Words of Welcome

Sarah Macias

Christ be with you ... and also with you!

*[Please record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew and pass it to others.
You may also register online at royallane.org/register or see QR code following Organ Dismissal.]*

Scripture Lesson

Alan Greider

Matthew 22:15-22 [Pew Bible page 803 of the New Testament or see insert]

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us,
Thanks be to God!

Time for Young Disciples

Barrett Wooten

*Children 3-year through 5th grade are invited to Godly Play,
You may collect your children in Vickrey Hall following the service.*

Hymn 672 [see insert]

Congregation

All Things Are Yours — GERMANY

“Who Are We” – An Encouragement to Stewardship

Melanie Ferguson

Hymn 665 [see insert]

Congregation

Because I Have Been Given Much — SEMINARY

Prayers of the People

Charlotte Sewell - Chair of Missions & Congregation

With the whole people of God in Jesus Christ, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Silence Is Kept

God of the church, help us to give to you what is yours. Make us faithful stewards of our time, talents, and treasures. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of creation, help us to share our bounties. Plant in us a willing and able desire to utilize the world's resources wisely and without bias. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, help us to put aside malice. Teach us to fight for justice, to liberate the oppressed, and to advocate for those who have no voice. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of life, help us in our need. Restore the minds, bodies, and spirits of those who are sick and soothe those who suffer, especially:

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

We now share silence together

Let us pray:

Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Anthem

Trio de Bois & Choir

Offertory — John Ness Beck

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?

Shall I give Him my firstborn for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

—*Micah 6:6-8*

Sermon

Amanda Tyler

“ A Christian Witness for our Divisive Politics ”

†Hymn of Commitment [see insert]

Congregation

Baited, the Question Rose — DIADEMATA
*If you would like to profess your faith or identify with this fellowship,
please refer to pew rack card – “How to Become a Member”*

Invitation to the Offering

Doug Washington - Chair of Personnel

“Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.” With gratitude for all we have received, we offer our gifts to God.

Offertory Prayer

These offerings represent only a part of what we owe you. Our currency bears the imprint of worldly powers, but we bear the holy image you inscribe on our hearts. All that we have and all that we are belong to you, O God. As we give these gifts and ourselves freely to you, may others know your goodness and your love, through our offerings. Amen.

Offertory

Trio de Bois

To the Water — from Congaree by Reed Hanna
*We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane’s Ministry.
See back cover for ways to give.*

†Sending Forth

Amanda Tyler

We have gathered in community to worship God.
Now our service of praise continues in the world.

**We have been equipped with the gospel message.
God empowers our outreach wherever we go.**

We serve a true and living God, everywhere present.
We are blessed to be God’s own people.

**We will spend ourselves this week for God’s children.
Then we will return to strengthen one another.**

Amen.

Amen.

Dismissal

Trio de Bois

Pine: Oh Shenandoah — from Trois Bois by Daniel Collins

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Trio de Bois
Erika Qureshi, oboe
Lori Shepherd, clarinet
Robyn Watson, bassoon

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Cover Art

Who Are We?

Hymn Notes

We Utter Our Cry

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Amanda Tyler, Guest Preacher



Amanda Tyler is the executive director of BJC (Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty) in Washington, D.C. She leads the organization as it upholds the historic Baptist principle of religious liberty, defending the free exercise of religion and protecting against its establishment by government.

Tyler often speaks in churches, educational institutions and denominational gatherings, and she provides commentary on faith freedom issues to the national media. She also co-hosts the Respecting Religion series on the BJC Podcast, and she serves on the board of the Center for Faith, Justice, and Reconciliation.

Tyler was named “Baptist of the Year” by EthicsDaily.com in 2019 for her work leading the Christians Against Christian Nationalism initiative. Called a “powerful advocate” and “rising star in the sector” by *The Nonprofit Times*, she was named one of the nation’s top 50 nonprofit leaders in 2018.

Tyler is a graduate of Georgetown University and The University of Texas School of Law. A member of the Texas and U.S. Supreme Court Bar, she has experience working in Congress, in a private legal practice and serving as a law clerk for a federal judge.

Chelsea Turpen, Guest Preacher, October 2

Chelsea is an ordained Baptist minister, a professional chaplain, and a spiritual director. She currently serves as the NICU staff chaplain at Children's Medical Center Dallas, where she is also a Certified Educator Candidate with ACPE: The Standard for Spiritual Care and Education.

Chelsea received her Master of Divinity from Truett Theological Seminary, and she completed her Certificate in Spiritual Direction at Columbia Theological Seminary. She was ordained in 2015 at Dayspring Baptist Church. Prior to her work in chaplaincy, Chelsea served as a college minister and on pastoral staff at churches in Georgia and Tennessee.

Chelsea became a member of Royal Lane in 2020 when she moved to Dallas with her husband, Sam, who is also an ordained minister and chaplain.



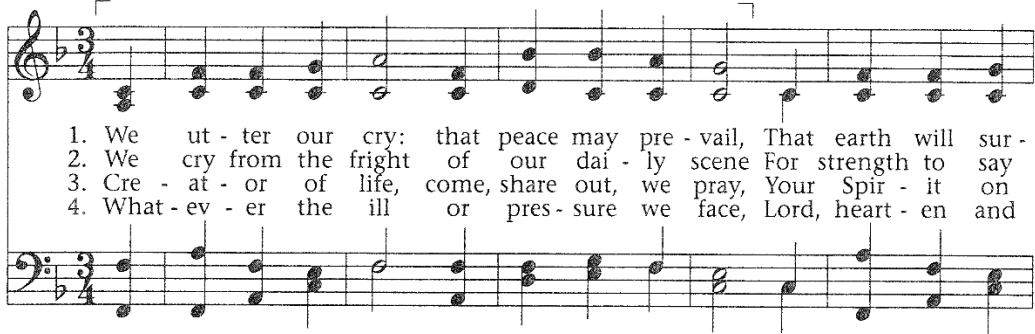
Thank you, Ms. Sarah!



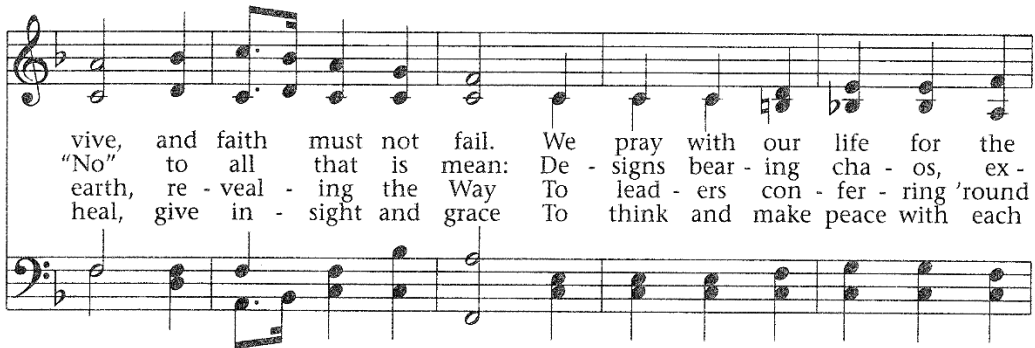
Sarah Plunk graciously served our children and their families this summer as the Interim Children's Minister. While Sarah has stepped down from this role, we are very grateful for the love and dedication she gave during this time of transition. Would you join us in embracing Sarah with notes of appreciation, of love, and of encouragement? Colorful cardstock will be provided and can be dropped in the offering plate or at the back of the sanctuary.

We Utter Our Cry

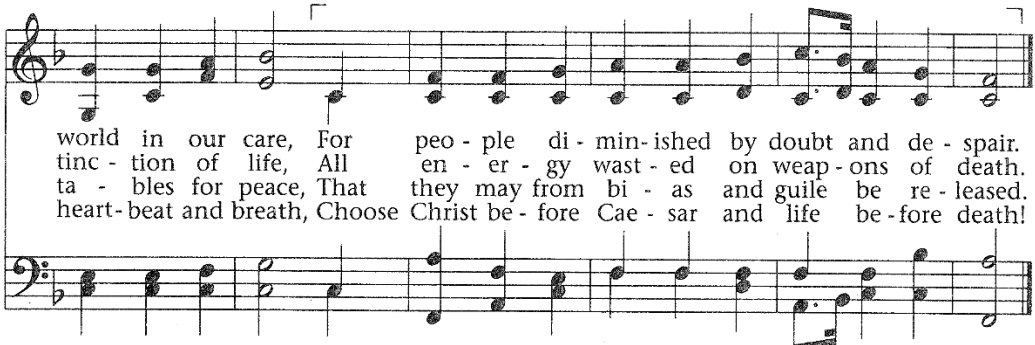
From the ends of the earth I call to you — Psalm 61:2 NIV



1. We ut - ter our cry: that peace may pre - vail, That earth will sur -
2. We cry from the fright of our dai - ly scene For strength to say
3. Cre - at - or of life, come, share out, we pray, Your Spir - it on
4. What - ev - er the ill or pres - sure we face, Lord, heart - en and

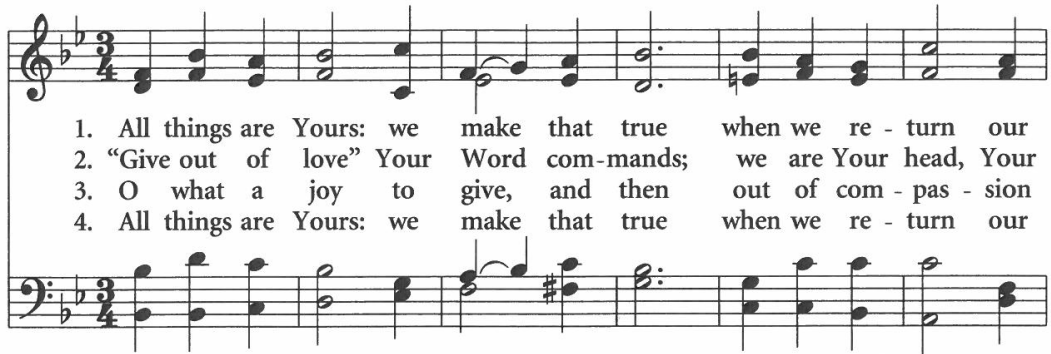


vive, and faith must not fail. We pray with our life for the
"No" to all that is mean: De - signs bear - ing cha - os, ex -
earth, re - veal - ing the Way To lead - ers con - fer - ring 'round
heal, give in - sight and grace To think and make peace with each

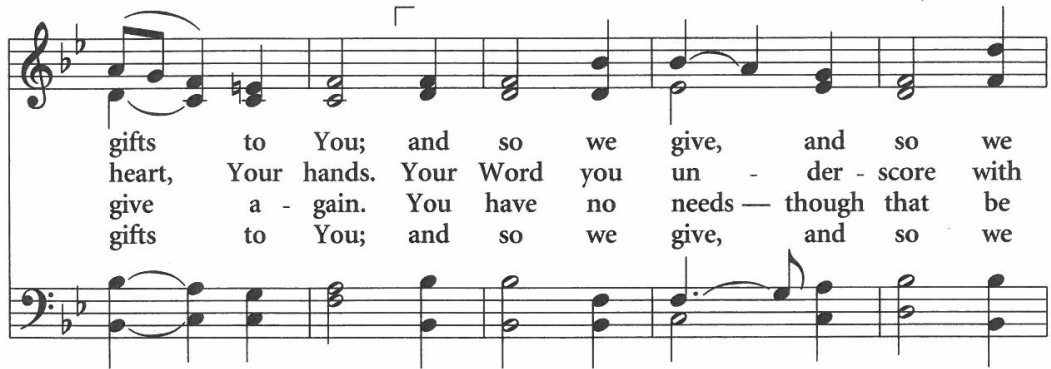


world in our care, For peo - ple di - min - ished by doubt and de - spair.
tinc - tion of life, All en - er - gy wast - ed on weap - ons of death.
ta - bles for peace, That they may from bi - as and guile be re - leased.
heart - beat and breath, Choose Christ be - fore Cae - sar and life be - fore death!

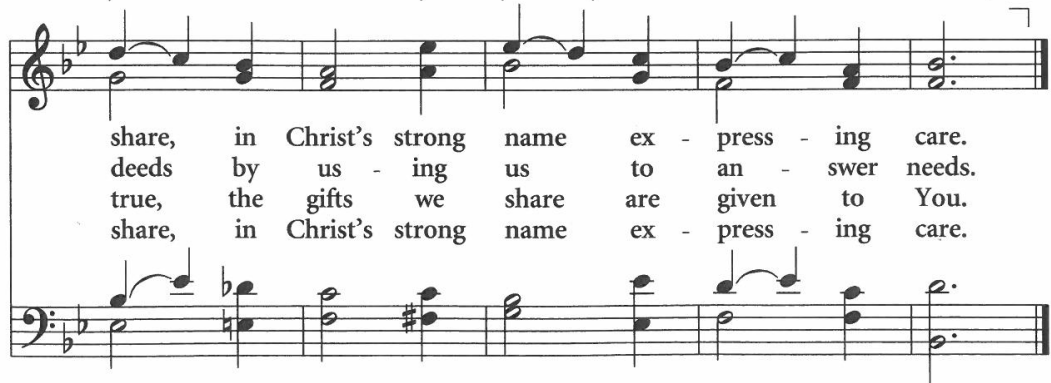
All Things Are Yours



1. All things are Yours: we make that true when we re - turn our
2. "Give out of love" Your Word com-mands; we are Your head, Your
3. O what a joy to give, and then out of com - pas - sion
4. All things are Yours: we make that true when we re - turn our



gifts to You; and so we give, and so we
heart, Your hands. Your Word you un - der - score with
give a - gain. You have no needs — though that be
gifts to You; and so we give, and so we



share, in Christ's strong name ex - press - ing care.
deeds by us - ing us to an - swer needs.
true, the gifts we share are given to You.
share, in Christ's strong name ex - press - ing care.

Because I Have Been Given Much

Unison

1. Be - cause I have been giv - en much, I, too, must give;
2. Be - cause I have been shel - tered, fed, by Thy good care,
3. Be - cause love has been lav - ished so up - on me, Lord,

be - cause of Thy great boun - ty, Lord, each day I live,
I can - not see an - oth - er's lack and I not share
a wealth I know that was not meant for me to hoard,

I shall di - vide my gifts from Thee with ev - ery per - son that I
my glow - ing fire, my loaf of bread, my roof's safe shel - ter o - ver -
I shall give love to those in need, shall show that love by word and

see who has the need of help from me.
head, that they too may be com - fort - ed.
deed: thus shall my thanks be thanks in - deed.

Baited, the Question Rose

D Bm G D G A7 D A

1 Bait - ed, the ques-tion rose from some-where in the crowd: "Teach-
 2 "Whose im-age does it bear, whose name and ti-tles tell?" "Cae-
 3 May we dis-cern, O God, your dai-ly gifts of grace; show

D A Bm D E A G A D E A

er, you tru-ly know God's way; is pay-ing tax al-lowed?"
 sar's, of course," they smug-ly said and thought they an-swered well.
 us your im-age fresh-ly coined in ev-ery heart and face.

A7 D A D G B7 E D E A A7

Je-sus per-ceived their trap: "Why do you test me so? Bring
 "Give Cae-sar what is his; God, what is God's a-lone." Strong
 Help us fit tri-bute yield through prayers and hymns we raise, but

D G D Em7 A D G D Asus A7 D

here the coin the tax re-quires, and see what it will show."
 words, con-vinc-ing and pro-found, like truth al-read-y known.
 most of all by deeds of love to give you thanks and praise.

The Scripture this morning is Matthew 22:15-22, which may be found on page 803 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away. (NRSV)

For the Word of God in Scripture, For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us, **Thanks be to God!**

Trio de Bois

Chamber music distills the art of music making to three core concepts: sonority, time, and expression. By masterfully combining the voices of bassoon, oboe, and clarinet, the music of Trio de Bois epitomizes the act of exploration of each of these elements.



Trio de Bois

Robyn's Texas Farewell

9/23, TBD

Westbrook Intermediate School
302 W. El Dorado Blvd, Friendswood

9/24, 2pm

South Main Baptist Church
4100 Main St, Houston

9/25, 2pm

Royal Lane Baptist Church
6707 Royal Lane, Dallas



Admission by Donaton

Deacon Nominees

According to Article VIII, Section 1b of the By-Laws, the Member Resource Committee shall review and supplement such recommendations and shall nominate six (6) persons to serve on the Board of Deacons; such nominations to be published in the Sunday morning orders of worship the last Sunday in the month of September (9/25/22) and the first Sunday in the month of October (10/2/22). The church shall be called into special conference during the Sunday morning worship service of the second Sunday of the month of October (10/9/22) for the purpose of electing six (6) Deacons. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at said special conference, provided that any additional nominees have been contacted in advance and have theretofore agreed to serve if elected.

This year the Member Resource Committee presents the following six (6) nominees to serve three-year terms for outgoing deacons and two (2) deacons to serve a two (2) year unexpired term. All terms begin November 1, 2022.

Nominees to serve three-year terms:

Margaret Darden
David Doom
Kelley Keith
Rodney Macias
Patsy Meier
Dan Thompson

Nominees to serve two-year terms:

Cookie Stokes
Sharon Vickrey

Called Church Conference – Election of Deacons October 9, 2022

October 19, 2022 – Quarterly Church Conference

The October Quarterly Church Conference will include a presentation by the Member Resource Committee of the 2022/2023 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.

Study for Wednesday Evening
Midweek with Dean Dickens
“Paul and Barny: What Do We Do Now?”

Scriptures for Next Sunday
Lamentations 1:1-6 Psalm 137
2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

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.

How to Connect

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

Pumpkin Patch 2022

The Pumpkins Are Coming October 1st at 9:00am!

Please join us in volunteering at the RLBC Pumpkin Patch. We have many volunteer opportunities for all ages and abilities. Volunteering at the Pumpkin Patch is a wonderful way to get to know fellow members, interact with our beloved community, and help raise money which funds programming and the various missions and ministries at RLBC. Please point to the QR Code to the right or enter the bit.ly code below to take you to the Sign-Up Genius to choose your volunteer times. We appreciate you!



<https://bit.ly/3d0MBaD>

A promotional banner for the pumpkin patch. The top half features a photograph of several large orange pumpkins on wooden tables outdoors, with a car and trees in the background. The text "COMING OCTOBER 1st!" is overlaid in a white, bubbly font. The bottom half is a solid orange bar containing the text "Sign Up to work the Pumpkin Patch here" in white, a black arrow pointing right, and a small QR code.

COMING OCTOBER 1st!

**Sign Up to work the
Pumpkin Patch here**

September Missions Project for Cornerstone Baptist Church

Thanks to all of you who have brought your donations, we have taken our second load of men's pants and jeans to Cornerstone Baptist Church. If you have new or gently used men's pants or jeans to donate, please drop them in the baskets in the Narthex or Vickrey Hall through the end of September.



Schedule for the Week

- Sunday** **September 25 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
12:15 pm Safety Sub-Committee — Vickrey Hall
12:30 pm Lunch Bunch – Prego Pasta, 4930 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75206
2:00 pm Trio de Bois, Chamber Music Concert — Sanctuary (Admission by Donation)
- Tuesday** **September 27**
7:00 pm Pastor Search Committee
- Wednesday** **September 28**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers — Youth Portable (3:30 - 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
 Chicken, Broccoli & Rice Casserole, Salad, Dinner Roll, and Brownies
6:15 pm Midweek Study with Dean Dickens — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
7:15 pm Choir — Sanctuary
- Saturday** **October 1**
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
- Sunday** **October 2 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**
World Communion Sunday
9:45 am Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am Children’s Christian Education — Vickrey Hall
10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:10 am Non-Traditional Class — Room 212
10:55 am Morning Worship, Chelsea Turpen, Guest Preacher
 Holy Communion Offered — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
12:15 pm First Sunday Youth Lunch & Parent Meeting — Youth Portable

The deadline for the Weekly Mosaic and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

Church Calendar

As we return to in-person worship and regular business hours for the office staff, it is important that the church office be contacted so that we can be sure all events, in-person or zoom, be included on the calendar to avoid schedule conflicts.

Please contact the church office by phone or email.
214-361-2809, info@royallane.org.

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 placed in the offering plate.



Deacons on Call – Alan Greider & Sandy Washington

Safety Shepherd – Cheryl Robinson

When WE Give: fellowship meals & Bible study are experienced on Wednesdays!

July 2022 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues*	\$ 436,062
Expenses	\$ 456,290
Surplus (Deficit)*	\$(20,228)

*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

Text “GIVE” to 214-609-1200. Follow the prompts to complete the process.

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