

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Reign of Christ Sunday

November 13, 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

The end is near. The end has always been, and will always be, near: the end of the year, the end of a season, the end of heaven and earth as we have known it. Along with the end comes a new beginning—a new heaven and a new earth. God will make this happen. In the meantime, we will be faced with transitions, difficulties, and even persecution for our beliefs. What we consider beautiful, God will disturb. New life comes through change. God has created a new universe that is ever changing. Yet, God assures us that a new beginning is near. The new beginning is always near.

Voluntary

David Weigle

Toccata in E Minor — Johann Pachelbel

✠Call to Worship

Dan Thompson & Congregation

The God of new beginnings,

Begins with us here in this place.

The God of re-creation,

re-creates dead ends into new living.

The God of dreams,

dreams in us a new world.

The God of wholeness,

brings a new kind of harmony into this world.

The God of vision,

envisions new possibilities in us.

The God of love,

loves our lives and yet makes them new.

Come, let us worship our wondrous God.

✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

O God, in Christ you give us hope for a new heaven and a new earth. Grant us wisdom to interpret the signs of our times, courage to stand in the time of trial, and faith to witness to your truth and love. Amen.

✠Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

This Is a Day of New Beginnings — BEGINNINGS
(Sing alternate stanza 4)

Words of Welcome

Rodney 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

Patsy Meier

Luke 21:5-19 [Pew Bible page 856 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.*

Deacon Ordination

Ordinands: Patsy Meier, Dan Thompson

Statement of Purpose and Presentation of Ordinands

Cheryl Robinson

Do you reaffirm your faith that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; do you seek the peace, unity and purity of the church; and do you, in accepting the office of deacon in this congregation, promise faithfully to perform all the duties pertaining to your calling?

Ordinands: We do, God being our helper.

Do you, the members of Royal Lane Baptist Church, receive these persons as deacons within the shared ministry of Christ's mission, and do you covenant to encourage and support them in the fulfillment of their responsibilities?

All: We do, God being our helper.

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Induction and Words of Affirmation

Paulette Harrison & Worshipers

I now ask the congregation to join in a covenant of affirmation saying:

Reaffirming our faith that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, we gladly receive these as servant leaders in our life together. We covenant to support them with our prayers, encouragement, and respect. We celebrate with thanksgiving the shared responsibilities for Christ's ministry which is ours as the church. Praise be to God.

Prayer of Blessing & Declaration

John Helms

Gracious God, we thank you for these your servants who have been called and ordained as deacons. As we set them apart for this ministry we ask that you fill them with all the graces needed to fulfill their responsibilities. Grant them the spirit of compassion for human needs, and devotion to the well-being of your church, that together we may grow ever more fully into the likeness of Christ. Amen.

In the name of Jesus Christ, the head of the church, and in accordance with the actions of this congregation, I declare that you are now members of the diaconate of this church.

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn 278 [see insert]

Congregation

We Are Travelers on a Journey — BEACH SPRING

Offertory Prayer

Donna Wood-Martin

Eternal God, we draw life in your presence. You have created and sustained us to meet the challenges we face each day. May the gifts and offerings we bring before you reflect the light of Christ that shines in our lives, a light that can heal the world. In our living and in our giving, help us act in concert with your ways, that the world might see in us the power of your Spirit. Amen.

Here I Am, Lord — arranged by Ovid Young

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear my light for them? Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
 I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone,
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
 I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
 Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give my life for them, Whom shall I send?

*We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane's Ministry.
 See back cover for ways to give.*

Sermon

Melissa Walker-Luckett

“ Endurance in Difficult Times ”

†Hymn of Commitment 503 [see insert]

Congregation

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak — CANONBURY

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

Communion

All Believers

Invitation to the Table

Here at the Lord's table, Christ offers us his very self.

We come to the table with thanks and praise.

Here, at this gift of bread and wine, Christ meets us as honored guests.

We come to the table with songs of joy.

Here at the foretaste of the heavenly banquet, Christ calls us his own.

We come to the table of grace.

—from B.J. Beau and Mary Scifres,
Is It Communion Sunday Already?! Communion Resources for All Seasons

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Words of Institution

We recall the supper of Jesus and his companions before his arrest.
During the meal, Jesus took bread and blessed and broke it and said:
Take, eat: This is my body.

Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and passed it to each saying:
Take, drink: This is the cup of the new covenant.

Communion Prayer

Let us pray:

Spirit of life, love, and grace – God, you have ushered us in, fed us, blessed us and renewed us. Guide us now that our lives may bear witness to your gracious, miraculous, and everlasting love. Amen.

Following the choir, please move by way of the center aisle to partake of communion and return via the outside aisles.

The Communion elements are gluten free.

✠ Passing of the Peace

Harry Wooten & Congregation

The one who was and is and is to come prepares our hearts to receive Christ’s peace anew.
Let us share this peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be with you . . . **And also with you.**

✠ Sung Response 707 [see insert]

Worshippers

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow — OLD HUNDREDTH

✠ Sending Forth

Melissa Walker-Luckett

May the grace of God,
the love of Christ,
and the power of the Holy Spirit be with you always.
Amen.

Amen.

Following the Sending Forth, please greet Patsy and Don
and offer a word of blessing and encouragement.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Toccata in C Major — Johann Pachelbel

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Register Your Attendance

Royallane.org/register



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Hymn Notes

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

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Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Melissa Walker-Luckett, Today's Preacher

Rev. Melissa Walker-Luckett has been a member of Royal Lane since 1986. Royal Lane ordained her to the gospel ministry in 1989 and will she celebrates 33 years of ordained ministry this month. She is a Certified Educator with the ACPE, The Standard for Spiritual Care and Education, and served on the ACPE Board of Directors from 2012 to 2022, as Chair 2021-2022. She completed her ACPE certification while a Chaplain at Baylor Institute for Rehabilitation where she served the patients, families and staff during her twelve years with Baylor Health Care System (now Baylor Scott & White Health). Melissa holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth and a BA in Religion from Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. The Alliance of Baptists endorsed her as a Chaplain in 2001. (Her prior endorsement had been with the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.)

Melissa trained as a Chaplain immediately after seminary at Arkansas Children's Hospital, then at Children's Medical Center Dallas, Methodist Medical Center Dallas, and worked as a chaplain for VITAS hospice for five years. She managed the Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program at VA North Texas Health Care System in south Dallas prior to her current position as Manager of CPE Programs at Children's Health, Children's Medical Center Dallas for the past 12 years.

In addition to being an avid reader, Melissa enjoys travel with her husband, Jamie Luckett, and being with her children and five grandchildren, her pets and vegetable gardening in the Spring and Summer. This year she and Jamie celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary and are grateful for the part Royal Lane continues to play in their lives.

In 2015, Melissa completed The Writer's Path at SMU. She looks forward to more dedicated time to writing in coming years.

This Is a Day of New Beginnings

Unison

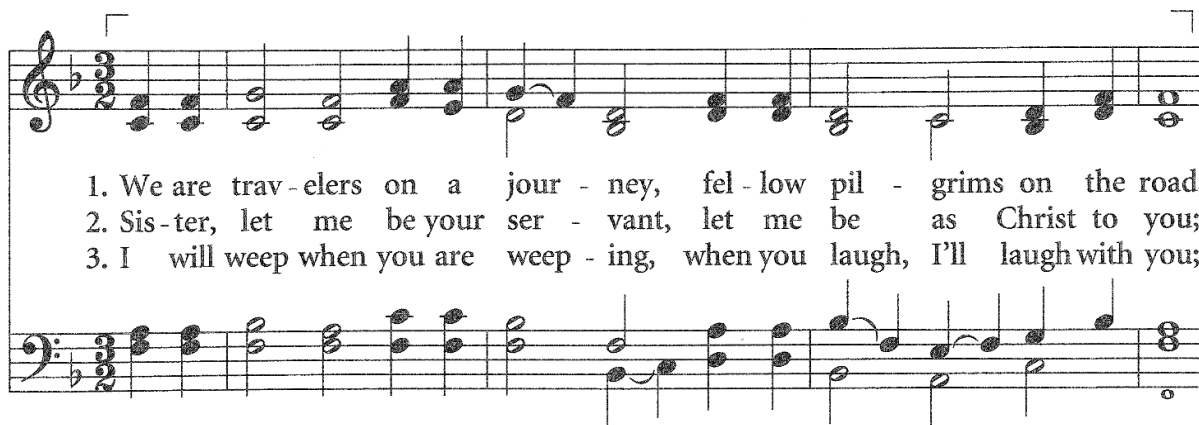
1 This is a day of new be - gin - nings, time to re - mem - ber
 2 For by the life and death of Je - sus, love's might - y Spir - it,
 3 Then let us, with the Spir - it's dar - ing, step from the past and
 4 Christ is a - live, and goes be - fore us to show and share what
 *4 *In faith we'll gath - er round the ta - ble to taste and share what*

and move on, time to be - lieve what love is bring - ing,
 now as then, can make for us a world of dif - ference,
 leave be - hind our dis - ap - point - ment, guilt, and griev - ing,
 love can do. This is a day of new be - gin - nings;
love can do. This is a day of new be - gin - nings;

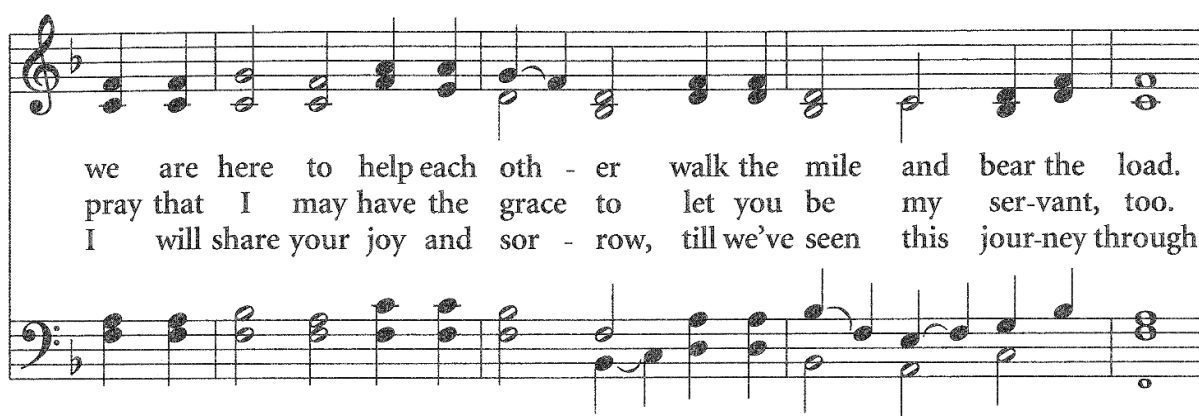
lay - ing to rest the pain that's gone.
 as faith and hope are born a - gain.
 seek - ing new paths, and sure to find.
 our God is mak - ing all things new.
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*Alternate text for Holy Communion

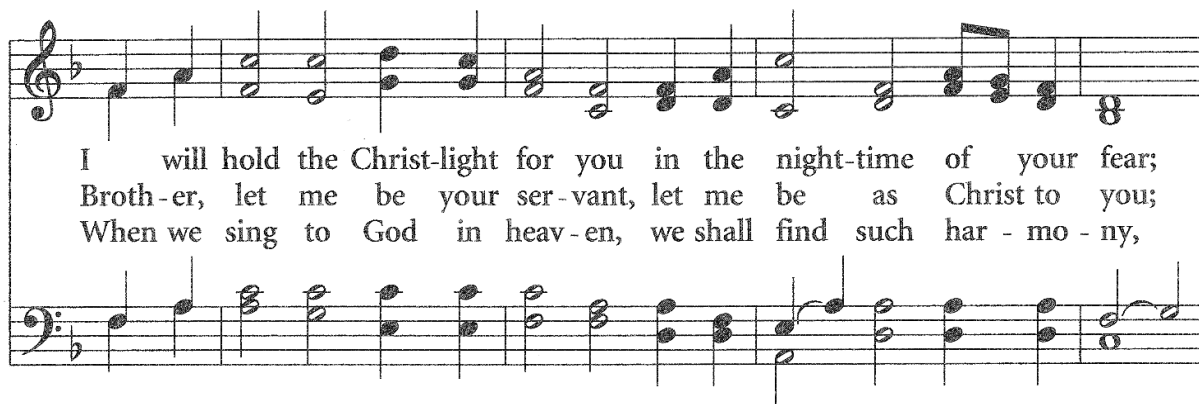
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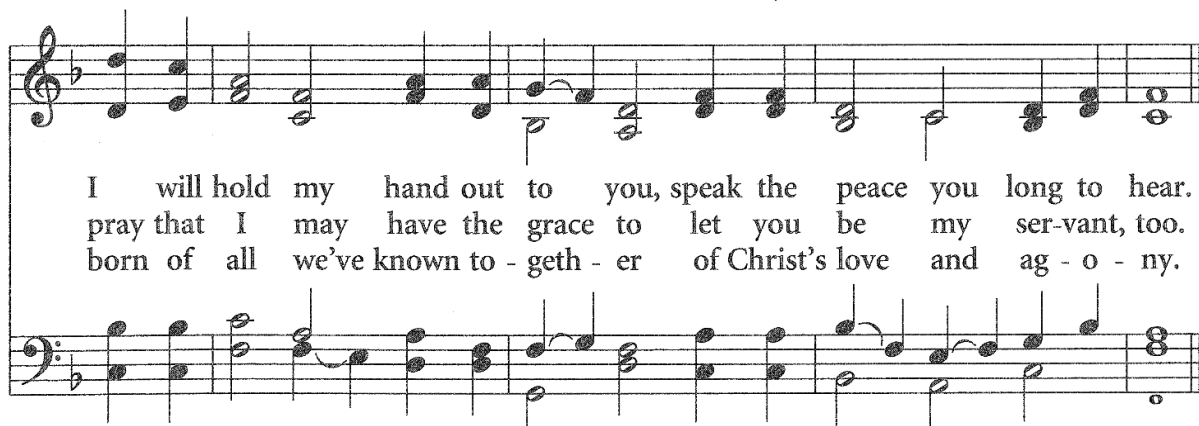
1. We are trav - elers on a jour - ney, fel - low pil - grims on the road;
2. Sis - ter, let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you;
3. I will weep when you are weep - ing, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you;



we are here to help each oth - er walk the mile and bear the load.
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.
I will share your joy and sor - row, till we've seen this jour - ney through.



I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time of your fear;
Broth - er, let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you;
When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall find such har - mo - ny,

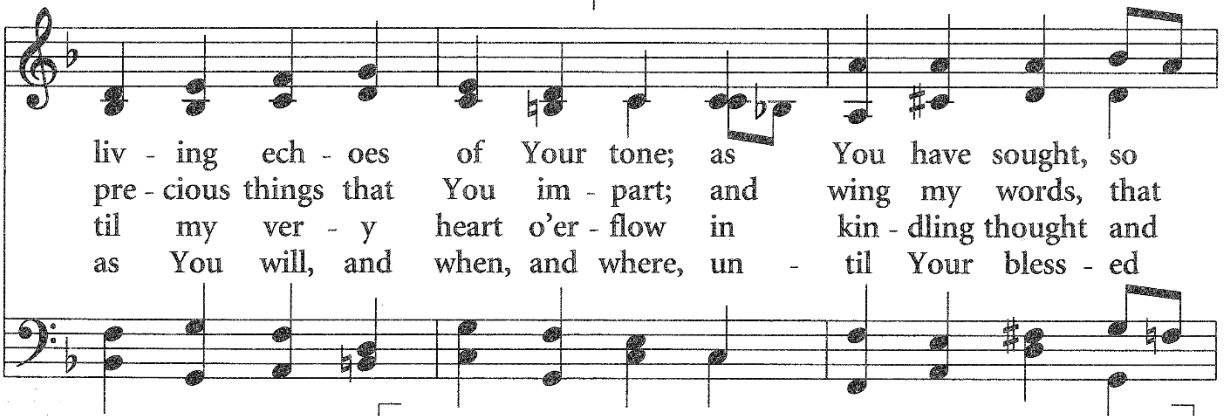


I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.
born of all we've known to - geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

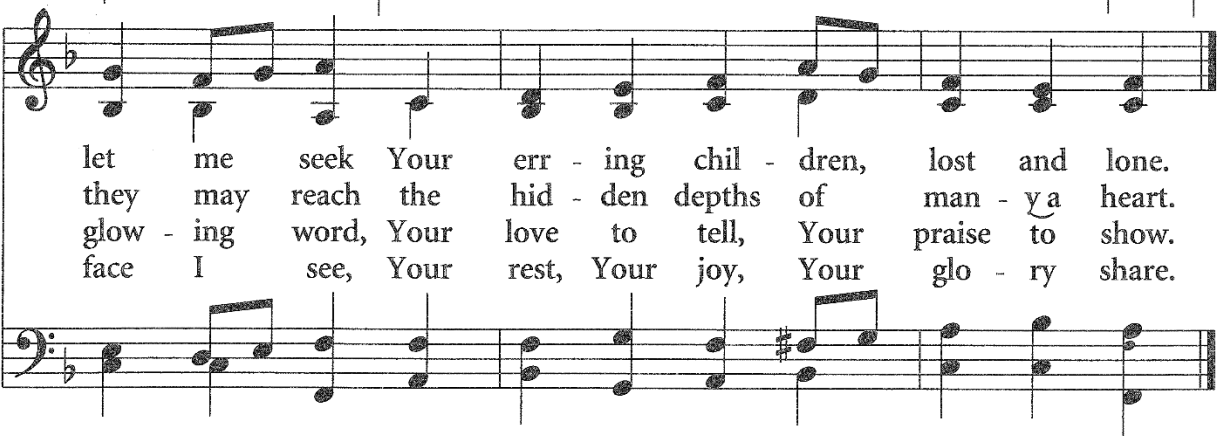
Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak



1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in
2. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the
3. O fill me with Your full - ness, Lord, un -
4. O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just



liv - ing ech - oes of Your tone; as You have sought, so
pre - cious things that You im - part; and wing my words, that
til my ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
as You will, and when, and where, un - til Your bless - ed



let me seek Your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
glow - ing word, Your love to tell, Your praise to show.
face I see, Your rest, Your joy, Your glo - ry share.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures

The first system of music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The bass staff begins with a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The accompaniment starts with a half note G2, followed by quarter notes A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2.

here below; praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise

The second system of music continues in G major and 4/4 time. The treble staff continues the melody with quarter notes D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The bass staff continues the accompaniment with quarter notes C2, D2, E2, F#2, G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2.

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The third system of music concludes the piece in G major and 4/4 time. The treble staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The melody for the final phrase is quarter notes D4, E4, F#4, G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The bass staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The accompaniment for the final phrase is quarter notes C2, D2, E2, F#2, G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2.

The Scripture this morning is Luke 21:5-19, which may be found on page 856 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.” ⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them. ⁹“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. ¹²“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

(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!**

Study for Wednesday Evening
with Dean Dickens
Scriptures for Next Sunday
Jeremiah 23:1-6 Luke 1:68-79
Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43

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.

Staff Love Gift



During this time of Thanksgiving, and as we look toward a Season of Giving, let us remember those who give so much to us all year. Our skilled and dedicated church staff lovingly provides many services for us throughout the year. As in the past, if you would like to express your gratitude, please mail your check to the Church Office or make your donation online by December

4. Be sure your contribution is clearly marked "Staff Love Gift" or select the fund "Staff Love Gift" from the Giving option on the Royal Lane website.

John Helms, Deacon Chair

Stocking Stuffers

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Donations of small toys and candy are needed to fill 15-inch stockings for the children and teenagers who visit the medical clinic at Healing Hand Ministries

SUGGESTED ITEMS

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Small plush animals | Fuzzy socks |
| Small Christmas toys | Flavored lip gloss |
| Card games | Hand sanitizer |
| Small holiday puzzles | Hand lotion |
| Coloring books | Christmas candy |
| Play-Doh | Hot chocolate |
| Stretchy gloves and hat | Hot Wheels |

Please leave donated items in the Missions Holiday Wagon located in the Narthex any Sunday during November.

We will be filling the stockings on Sunday, December 4th.



It is time to request poinsettias that will be placed in the Sanctuary of Royal Lane Baptist Church during the Advent/Christmas season in honor or memory of a loved one.

Make your requests by Sunday, November 27 so that your dedication can be included in the order of worship for the *Hanging of the Green* on December 4.

Request may be made:

- Online at royallane.org or use the QR code to be directed to online order form
- Email to info@royallane.org
- Mailed request to the church



Payment may be made by:

- Online – Select “Poinsettias Payment” fund from giving menu at Royallane.org
- Check – enter “Poinsettia” in memo line
- Credit Card (contact Janet Schultz in the church office Monday through Thursday in November)
- Request payment from your banking account – “Poinsettia” in memo line

\$12.00 per dedication

Stewardship 2023 – Who Are We...(becoming)?



Make your pledge today at
royallane.org/pledge
Pledge Update 11/9/2022
Total units pledged: 55
Total pledged: \$474,320



Schedule for the Week

- Sunday November 13 – Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**
2:30 pm Celebration of Life – Forrest McKinney — Sanctuary
Reception Following Service — Vickrey Hall
Childcare Provided
- Wednesday November 16 – Mosaic**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building (3:30 - 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
Pot Roast with Veggies, Salad, Dinner Roll. Dessert: Pie
6:15 pm Midweek Study with Dean Dickens — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm Racial Justice Orientation — Vickrey Hall
7:00 pm Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm Choir — Sanctuary
- Tuesday November 17**
7:30 pm Children’s Committee, Sunday School Teachers — Zoom
- Saturday November 19**
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
- Sunday November 20 – Reign of Christ Sunday**
9:45 am Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am Children’s SS Classes — Christian Education Building
10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable
10:10 am Non-Traditional Class — Christian Education Building, Room 212
10:55 am Morning Worship, Mitch Randall, Guest Preacher— Sanctuary
or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
12:30 pm Program Council — Vickrey Hall
2:30 pm Racial Justice Team — Vickrey Hall
8:00 pm Congregational Affiliation Committee — Zoom

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.

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.

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 – Rodney Macias & Donna Wood-Martin
Safety Shepherd – Mike Gill

When WE Give:
We are reminded of the strong foundation found at RLBC.

September 2022 Financials

| | YTD Actual |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Revenues* | \$ 517,749 |
| Expenses | \$ 583,462 |
| Surplus (Deficit)* | \$ (65,713) |

*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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

Standard text message rates may apply.

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