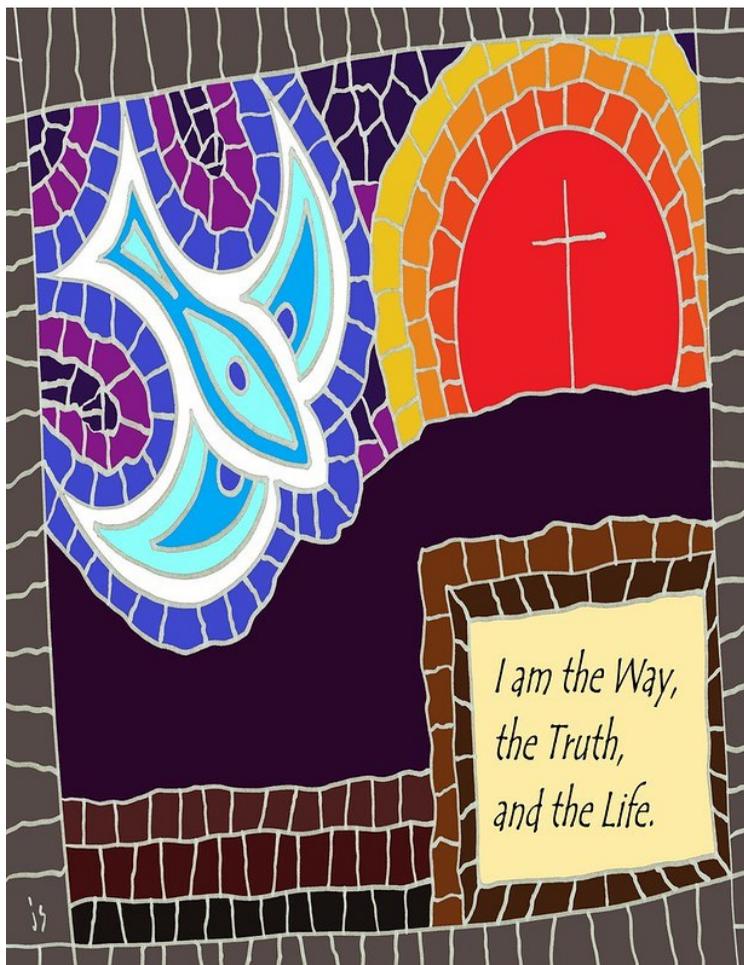


# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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*Diverse People United in Christ*



# *The Worship of God*

## *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

May 9, 2021

11:00 A.M.

Chiming of the Hour

A Word of Blessing

Charlotte Sewell, Deacon Chair

Centering Words & Candle Lighting

Michael Gregg

Hearts are troubled and the world seems to be spinning crazily and out of control, but there is a still point at the center — a still point that is not spinning crazily, a still point of peace, a still point of stability. “God,” writes Julian of Norwich, “is the still point at the center.” In what ways are you living off center and what in you today needs recentering? What does recentering look like for you today? What is just one thing you can change or do today that will help bring you back to your center?

Voluntary

Scott Green & David Weigle

*When Morning Gilds the Skies* — arranged by Mark Hayes

Call to Worship

Harry Wooten & Worshipers

Welcome home, people of God.

**We have come to find refuge  
in the shelter of God's care.**

Come and sit down.

There is room for everyone in God's house.

**We have come to be nourished by God's word.**

We are God's own people,

and are precious in God's sight.

**We have come to give thanks  
for God's faithful love.**

Invocation

Harry Wooten

Almighty God, in Christ you have shown us the way, revealed to us your truth, and offered to us everlasting life. Keep our eyes upon him, that we may see your path more clearly, know your truth more fully, and receive your life more abundantly, through Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in eternal glory. Amen.

Hymn [ see insert ]

Worshipers

*Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud* — ABERYSTWETH  
(stanzas 1 & 2)

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

Prayers of the People

Margaret Darden

O God, your Son remained with his disciples after his resurrection, teaching them to love all people as neighbors. As his disciples in this age, we offer our prayers on behalf of the universe in which we are privileged to live, and our neighbors with whom we share it.

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

Let us pray:

Holy God, you have called us to follow in the way of your risen Son, and to care for those who are our companions, not only with words of comfort, but with acts of love. Seeking to be true friends of all, we offer our prayers on behalf of the church and the world. Amen.

Response [ see insert ]

Worshipers

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus* — CONVERSE

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer;  
in His arms He'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

Scripture Lesson

Mike Keith

John 14:1-3 [ see insert ]

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

Solo

Kurt Thomas

*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Sermon

Michael Gregg

**“ Where Are We Going? ”**

Offertory David Weigle  
*I Know That My Redeemer Lives* ANTIOCH — arranged by Dale Wood

Closing Hymn [ see insert ] Worshippers  
*O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life* — ST. PETER

Charge & Benediction Michael Gregg  
Go forth to serve in the name of our risen Lord.  
May Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, be with you.  
May the Spirit empower you to serve in Christ's name.  
May God, who raised Christ from the dead, keep you forevermore.  
Alleluia!  
Amen.  
**Amen.**

Postlude David Weigle  
*And Crown Him Lord of All!* CORONATION — arranged by Gilbert Martin



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**Hymn Notes**

**Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud**

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**What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

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**O Christ, the Way, The Truth. the Life**

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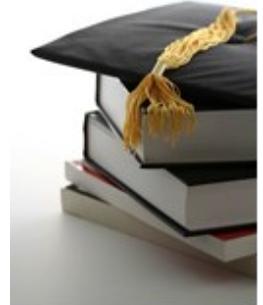
## Recommendations for Pastor Search Committee

We are in the beginning stages of our search for a new Pastor. The Member Resource Committee is asking that you prayerfully consider people in our church who you believe are well-suited to help find and recommend a new Pastor for Royal Lane. This is your opportunity as a member of Royal Lane Baptist Church to submit written recommendations of persons to serve on the Pastor Search Committee. Use this QR Code, or go to <https://forms.gle/ufzkJyEHXv5kNZay8> , either of which will take you to the Google Form to make your recommendations. Please submit by May 10th and *thank you* for your participation in this process.



## To Families with Graduates!

Graduates will be recognized on June 6, 2021. Please notify the church office of students associated with Royal Lane who will be graduating this spring—high school, college, post-graduate degree or other. We would like a picture and brief bio for each student by Monday, May 17, for publication in the bulletin on Graduation Recognition Sunday, and in a June issue of the Mosaic.





Guest Preacher – Sunday, May 16  
Michael (Mike) Massar  
Associate Pastor of Faith Formation  
Woodland Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas

Mike hails from west Texas. His education background includes Baylor University, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Mansfield College of Oxford University, the Graduate Theological Foundation and the School of Cinematic Arts at the University of Southern California.

He is married to Lisa, an early childhood specialist, and has three grown children whose families include four grandchildren.

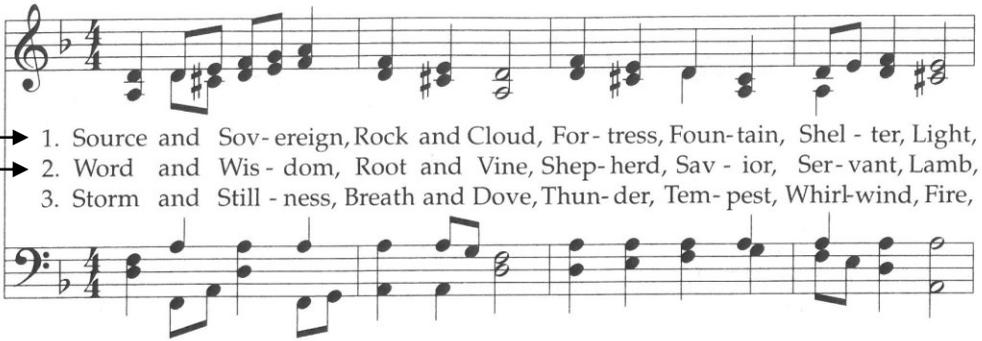
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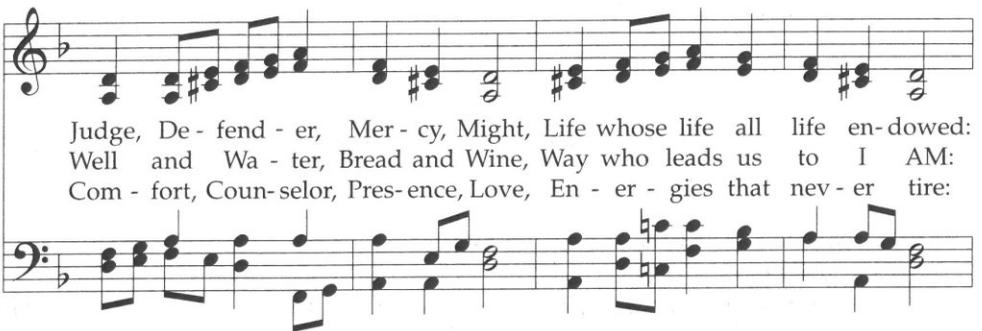
## Creating a Culture of Radical Candor

The Education Committee invites you to join us Wednesday, May 12, at 6:15 om for our May IN FOCUS> Beloved Community: Creating a Culture of Radical Candor. Engage with us as we discuss how to create a compassionate candor, build cohesive teams, and achieve results collaboratively. Radical candor is needed for any relationship, team, or organization. Rev. Kristin Warthen, Minister of Family Ministries at White's Chapel, will guide us in conversation about Kim Scott's book, *Radical Candor*.

# Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud



→ 1. Source and Sov-ereign, Rock and Cloud, For- tress, Foun- tain, Shel- ter, Light,  
→ 2. Word and Wis- dom, Root and Vine, Shep- herd, Sav- ior, Ser- vant, Lamb,  
3. Storm and Still- ness, Breath and Dove, Thun- der, Tem- pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,



Judge, De- fend- er, Mer- cy, Might, Life whose life all life en- dowed:  
Well and Wa- ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:  
Com- fort, Coun- selor, Pres- ence, Love, En- er- gies that nev- er tire:



May the church at prayer re- call that no sin- gle ho- ly name



but the truth be- hind them all is the God whom we pro- claim.

# What a Friend We Have in Jesus

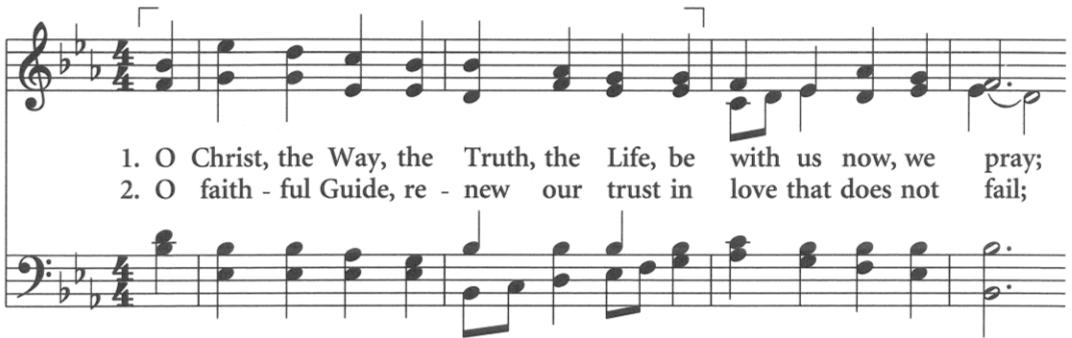
1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3. Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer.

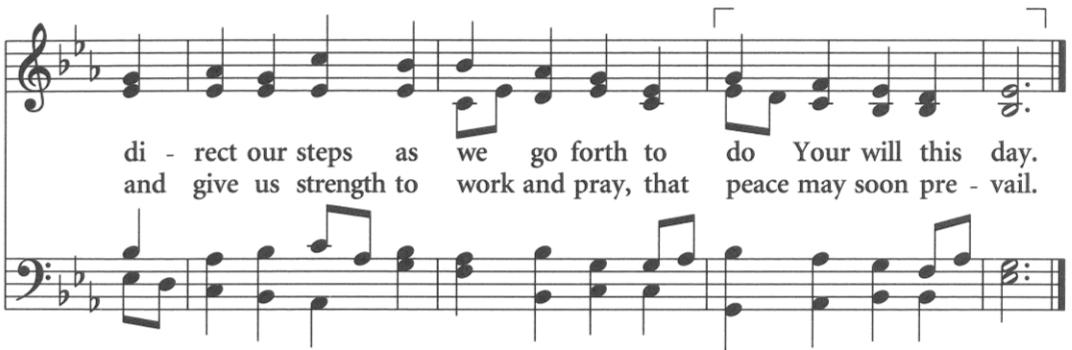
Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer;

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
in His arms He'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

# O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life



1. O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray;  
2. O faith - ful Guide, re - new our trust in love that does not fail;



di - rect our steps as we go forth to do Your will this day.  
and give us strength to work and pray, that peace may soon pre - vail.

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The Scripture this morning is John 14:1-3

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**14**“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

*(NRSV)*

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

## *Schedule for the Week*

### **Sunday**      **May 9 – Sixth Sunday of Easter**

- 12:00 pm Youth Sunday School Class — 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**      **May 12**

- 6:15 pm IN FOCUS with Kristin Warthen — Zoom  
Beloved Community: Creating a Culture of Radical Candor
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir — Zoom

### **Saturday**      **May 15**

- 2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
- 3:00 pm 3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
- 8:00 pm Non-Traditional Class — Zoom

### **Sunday**      **May 16 – Seventh Sunday of Easter / Ascension Sunday**

- 9:45 am Foundation Stones Class — Zoom
- 10:00 am 4-6-Year-Old Sunday School — Zoom
- 10:00 am Women's Share & Prayer — Zoom
- 11:00 am Morning Worship — Royal Lane Baptist YouTube Channel  
Guest Preacher – Mike Massar
- 12:00 pm Youth Sunday School Class — Zoom
- 3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
- 4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
- 6:30 pm Middle School Sunday School — Zoom

## **How to Connect**

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

## *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](http://royallane.org/prayer)

## **Deacons on Call**

Mike Keith & Margaret Darden

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When WE Give: we provide scholarships for our youth attending college.

## **March 2021 Financials**

	YTD Actual
Revenues	\$ 189,340
Expenses	\$ 157,802
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 31,538

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