

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 10, 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

Ordinary actions of everyday life have great potential for good. Our scripture lessons today invite us to consider how love and compassion are the essence of living faithfully in God's reign. They call us to shape our lives according to God's justice and mercy, striving for relationships that enable a caring community.

Voluntary

Glen Hummel & David Weigle

Te Deum — Marc Antoine Charpentier/Sue Mitchell-Wallace & John H. Head

✠Call to Worship

Congregation

Faith in Christ Jesus brings with it love for all God's people.

**Our faith and love are based on the hope offered to us
by the Good News we received from Jesus Christ.**

Let us not cease praying for one another

and asking that we may be filled with the knowledge of God's will;

so that we may lead lives worthy of the Lord.

Come, let us worship God.

✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

**O God, you have saved us from the power of darkness and made us a part
of the kin-dom of Jesus Christ. We come to worship and praise you for
your love for us. May we develop a deep desire to share your great love
with others who have not yet experienced your forgiveness and your
mercy. Amen.**

✠Hymn 566 [see insert]

Congregation

O God, Our Help in Ages Past — ST. ANNE

Words of Welcome

Harry Wooten

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

Samantha Fleenor

Colossians 1:1-14 [Pew Bible page 956 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

Sarah Plunk

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

✠Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth — MARYTON

Call to Confession

Donna Wood-Martin & Congregation

The psalmist asks a question: how long? How long will we live unjustly and show partiality, instead of loving as God has loved us? Trusting in that love, let us confess our transgressions to the Lord.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

Lord, it is not easy for us to be patient, and when it comes to enduring trials and tribulation with patience, we often find it impossible. We need your Holy Spirit to enable us to know your presence in our lives, even when life is difficult. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We now share silence together

Promise of Forgiveness

The triune God's unconditional love does not seek appearances or conditions, but loves in such a way, that we are restored to health and to wholeness.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Hope of the World — O PERFECT LOVE
(Stanza one)

Prayers of the People

Barrett Wooten & Congregation

Holy God, your people come to pray for the world and all that is in it. Free us, O God, to speak your word in a world that needs to listen to you. Greed has overtaken the land and ambition has taken the place of the values you expect from us. Iniquity has taken hold, making the rich richer and the poor poorer. Give us your voice, that your church can serve as a shepherd, guiding your people to your will for the world.

**God of justice,
work your will in our world.**

Free us, O God, to tend to those who are weak and needy. You always care especially for those abandoned or rejected. Give us eyes to recognize them in our midst: people without legal documents; people in abusive relationships; those who live in the shadows of fear and indifference; use us to deliver them, with your guiding help, from all that would harm or oppress.

**God of compassion,
work your will in our world.**

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.)

We now share silence together

Let us pray:

Heal your aching world, we pray, and use us to work out your will. In the name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord — Craig Courtney

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which He died.

One voice, one song, we lift in praise to Him who was and is and shall be evermore.

There is one body, one Spirit, as you were called to one hope.

One Lord, baptism and faith, one God and Father of all, who is in you all.

Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts,

We are given to each other for the unity of faith,

that we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, in the fullness of Christ.

Sermon

Steve Graham

“ When You’re Down and Out! ”

Luke 10:25-37

✠Hymn of Commitment 616 [see insert]

Congregation

I Have Come from the Darkness — TO THE LIGHT

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

Offertory Prayer

Jamie Luckett

God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us hope. We would share this hope with those who still live in darkness and despair without hope, and so we present our tithes and offerings that you may bless their use in carrying this message of faith to those who have never heard. Amen.

Offertory

Glen Hummel & David Weigle

Folk Song I — Bruce Broughton

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

Recognition of the Grahams

Doug Washington

✠Sending Forth

Steve Graham & Congregation

Let us pray:

May the God who dances in creation,
who embraces us with human love,
who shakes our lives like thunder,
bless us and drive us out with power
to fill the world with her justice.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

Glen Hummel & David Weigle

Folk Song II — Bruce Broughton

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The Altar flowers today are given in honor of the
50th Wedding Anniversary of
Steve & Jennifer Graham

Register Your Attendance

Royallane.org/register



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I Have Come from the Darkness

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Quarterly Church Conference 6:30 pm, Wednesday, July 20 – Zoom

What is going on with the Children & Youth Building? Will we be celebrating Royal Lane's 70th Anniversary this Fall? Join the upcoming Royal Lane Quarterly Church Conference to find out! Updates from our Division Chairs and financial reports will be presented as well, along with reports from our Staff. The Quarterly Conference will be held only via Zoom, Wednesday, July 20th, at 6:30 PM. Check out the QR Code below for the Zoom link and meeting materials.

(Minutes and Agenda will be added as these become available)



Introducing:

Sarah Plunk, Interim Minister to Children, and Barrett Wooten, Interim Minister to Youth.



Sarah currently works as a first-grade teacher at Lone Star Language Academy in Plano. She will be entering her 7th year as an elementary school teacher in August.

Sarah has worked with children of all ages for much of her life. She has worked at various elementary schools in Richardson ISD and Plano ISD. She has been a nanny for several families here in Dallas as well as New York City.

Sarah, having grown up at Wilshire Baptist Church here in Dallas, has volunteered for Wilshire Baptist Church's children's ministry helping with various events such as Sunday school, Wednesday nights, Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS), and Vacation Bible School. She was also a Pre-K teacher for Wilshire's early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC). Sarah graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Religion from Furman University in South Carolina. In 2014 she went to The University of Texas at Dallas to earn her teaching certification.

Sarah has been a member of Royal Lane since October 2021. She has been regularly attending since 2016. In her free time, Sarah loves to explore her White Rock Lake neighborhood and listen to live music at various venues with her musician partner, Blake.

Barrett Wooten

I'm so excited to serve Royal Lane as the interim youth minister. As someone who was molded by this community as a young person, being able to give back to the current generation is something I cherish. I just finished my tenth year as a middle school educator in Plano ISD. My wife (Jacquie) and children (Harper, Turner, and Harrison) are members at RLBC as well.





The Education, Missions, and Worship Divisions invite you to participate in
A Celebration of Public Education
on Saturday July 16 from 4:30pm-6pm in Vickrey Hall
with Charles Foster Johnson, Executive Director of Pastors for Texas Children.

- 4:30pm to 5pm – a time to gather and visit with light refreshments
- 5pm to 5:20pm – a time to hear about the work of PTC and the cause of public education
- 5:20pm to 6pm – a time for facilitated conversation on how we can cultivate support of our schools through acts of social justice and legislation that puts the needs of Texas children, families, and communities first.

Pastors for Texas Children believe that public education is a human right, a constitutional guarantee, and a central part of God's plan for human flourishing. Not beholden to any special interest group, political party, or church office they believe in local democracy, cooperation across lines of difference, and organizing to support public education opportunities for Texas children. This is lived out in acts of prayer, service, and advocacy that respect God's good gifts of religious liberty and church-state separation.



Charles Foster Johnson Guest Preacher, Sunday, July 17

Charles Foster Johnson is a pastor and public education advocate. He is founder and pastor of Bread, a faith community in Fort Worth, Texas. Throughout his forty-five-year pastoral ministry, he has served churches in Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Texas, including the Second Baptist Church of Lubbock and the Trinity Baptist Church of San Antonio.

Rev. Johnson served on the faculty of McAfee School of Theology, Mercer University, as Visiting Professor of Preaching. He has served as a pastoral mentor for students at Perkins School of Theology (SMU) and Brite Divinity School (TCU), where he has served as a trustee since 2013. He is involved in civic and denominational life and has been twice named “Baptist of the Year” by the Baptist Center for Ethics (in 2004 and 2018). He was inducted into Morehouse College’s Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers in 2008. He was named national “Outstanding Friend of Public Education” by the Horace Mann League in 2020.

In 2013, he founded Pastors for Texas Children, a statewide ecumenical organization mobilizing the faith community for public education support and advocacy. PTC now has over 2,500 faith partners throughout Texas. The national organization, Pastors for Children, now has networks in eight states.

Rev. Johnson is a frequent preacher and speaker in university, church, business, education, and non-profit circles. He has written for numerous publications and has made guest appearances on cable network news shows. He is married to Jana, has three children, and three grandchildren.

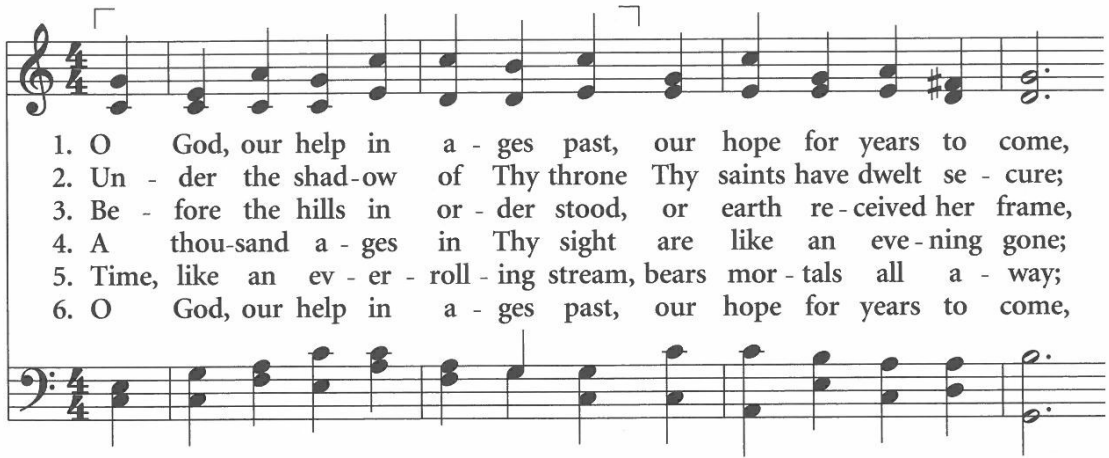
Scriptures for Next Sunday
Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52
Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

For the Children!

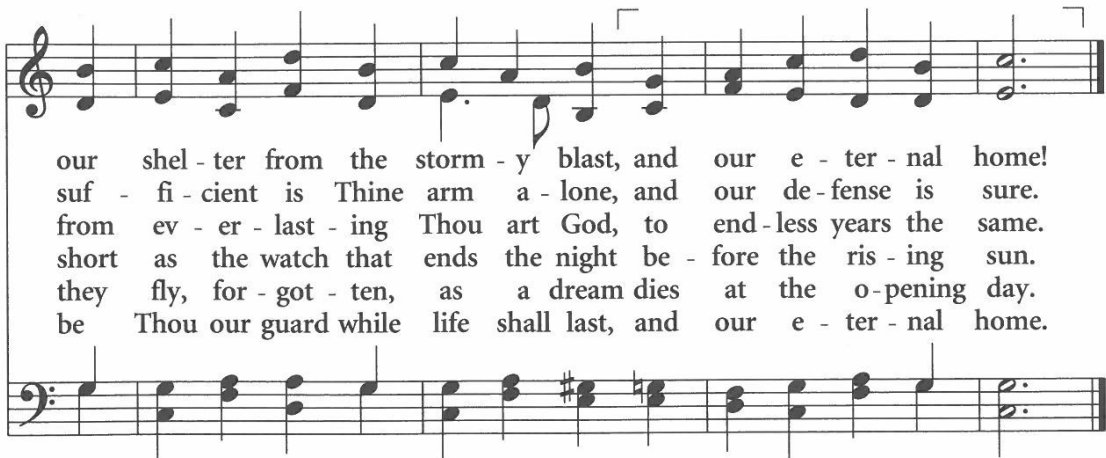
Children’s bulletins are included in activity packets for ages 3+ and 7+.
Don’t miss the Secret Code to allow your child to unlock on-line games, in a safe environment, that supplement today’s scripture at
games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx



O God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears mor - tals all a - way;
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

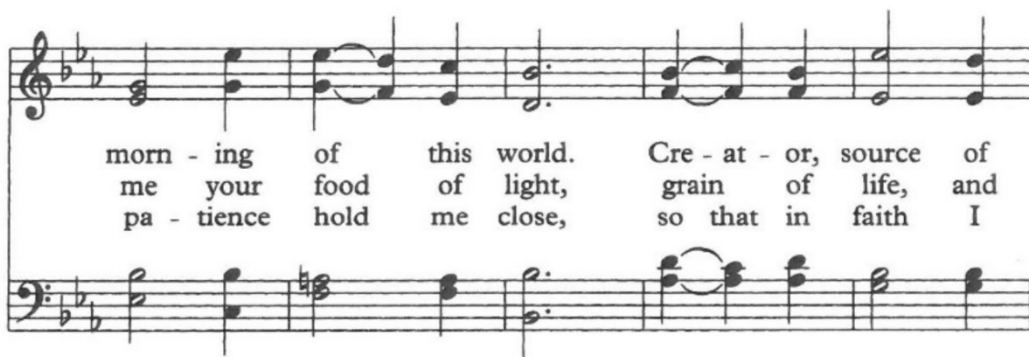


our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!
suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.
be Thou our guard while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth



1. Moth-er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
2. Moth-er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
3. Moth-er - ing Spir - it, nur - t'ring one, in arms of

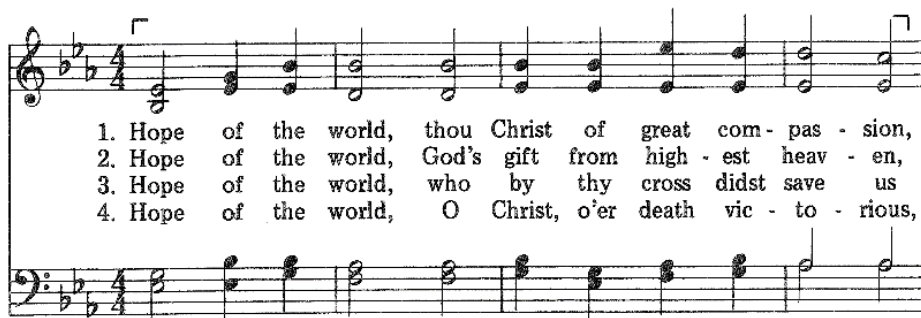


morn - ing of this world. Cre - at - or, source of
me your food of light, grain of life, and
pa - tience hold me close, so that in faith I



ev - ery breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
grape of love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
root and grow un - til I flow'r, un - til I know.


Hope of the World



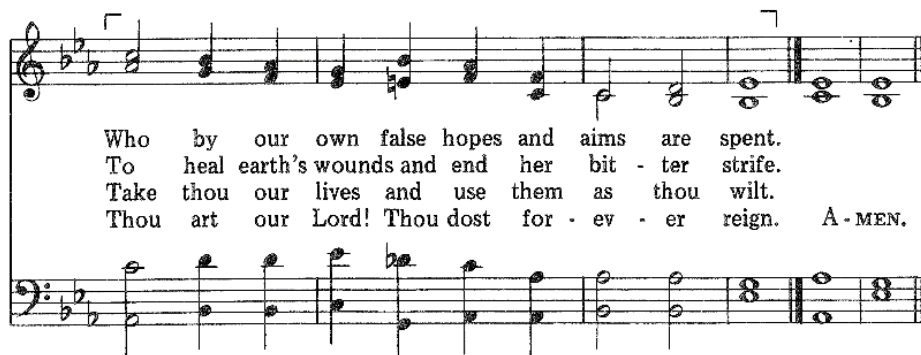
1. Hope of the world, thou Christ of great com - pas - sion,
2. Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
3. Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
4. Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



Speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent;
Bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,
From death and dark de - spair, from sin and guilt;
Who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain,

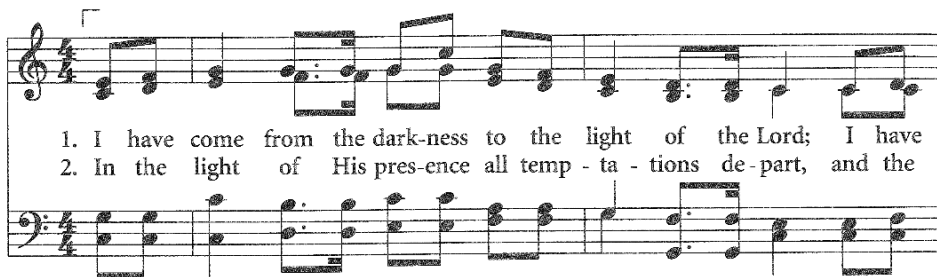


Save us, thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
Still let thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
We ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us,
We would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious:

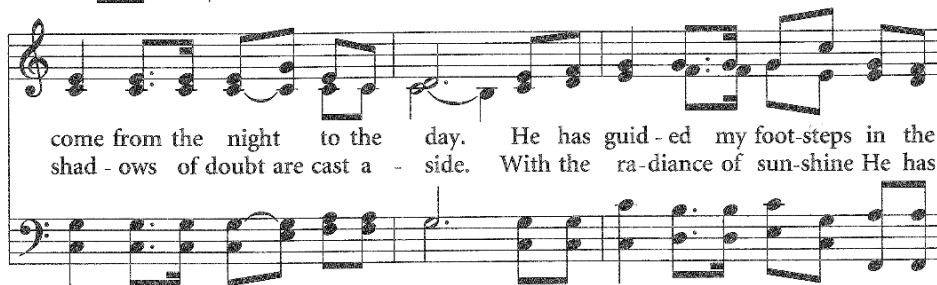


Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
To heal earth's wounds and end her bit - ter strife.
Take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.
Thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign. A - MEN.

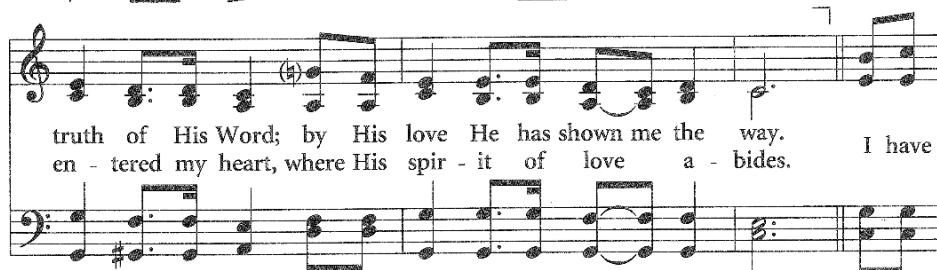
I Have Come from the Darkness



1. I have come from the dark-ness to the light of the Lord; I have
2. In the light of His pres-ence all temp - ta - tions de-part, and the



come from the night to the day. He has guid-ed my foot-steps in the
shad-ows of doubt are cast a - side. With the ra-diance of sun-shine He has



truth of His Word; by His love He has shown me the way. I have
en-tered my heart, where His spir-it of love a-bides.



come from the dark-ness to the light, to the light of re-demp-tion from sin.



Oh, my soul will re-joice in His might, for my Sav-ior dwells with-in.

The Scripture this morning is Colossians 1:1-14, which may be found on page 956 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully

¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (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!**

Schedule for the Week

Sunday July 10 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

12:15 pm Racial Justice Team — Vickrey Hall

7:30 pm Deacon's Meeting & Program Council — Zoom

Monday – Thursday

Summer Fun Days

July 11-14, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Monday July 11

3:00 pm Building Action Task Force — Library

Tuesday July 12

7:00 pm Pastor Search Committee

Wednesday July 13

No Wednesday Evening Activities

Saturday July 16

2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom

4:30 pm Pastors for Texas Children – A Celebration of Public Education

Sunday July 17 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9:45 am Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building

10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)

10:55 am Morning Worship, Charles Johnson, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary
or Royal Lane YouTube Channel

12:00 pm Lunch Bunch

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

Jamie Luckett & Donna Wood-Martin

When WE Give: we can come together to worship!

May 2022 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues*	\$ 305,081
Expenses	\$ 327,798
Surplus (Deficit)*	\$(22,717)

*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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