

# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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*Diverse People United in Christ*



# *The Worship of God*

## *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 17, 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 call to take up the role of discipleship encompasses a call to ground our daily living in the word of God. Each day there are opportunities to hear and follow God's word, if only we pause and listen. The action of faithful discipleship is informed by reflection on Christ and the way of God's realm. We are called to listen to God's word of grace, and then let it shape our lives each day. In God's reign, it is Christ—and not our own actions—that holds all together.*

### Voluntary

David Weigle

*This Little Light of Mine* — arranged by Joe Utterback

### ✠Call to Worship

Barrett Wooten & Congregation

Come from the busyness and the business of the day.

**We come to let go of the ways of the world.**

Come and turn aside the temptation to do the things  
that are only done in the shadows.

**We come to embrace what God offers us,  
God's presence and unconditional love.**

Come, however hesitantly, to find refuge  
and the way to live in Christ's great love.

### ✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

**Come into our lives, Jesus. Help us to be faithful listeners. Help us to be faithful servants. In all that we do, may we welcome you and serve you as disciples. Amen.**

✠Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

*Martha Labored in the Kitchen* — NETTLETON

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

Lillie T.

Luke 10:38-42 [ Pew Bible page 845 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

*This One Thing Only* — MCKEE

Call to Confession

Becky Fuller, Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

We live with this reality: God never forgets what we have done but, in mercy, forgives those whose hearts are full of repentance. Let us confess those things that break our relationship with God, assured that God will never break relationship with us.

The Confession of Sin

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Martha. We get distracted in our routines, so busy with our daily chores that we forget to take the time to stop and breathe, to look up and to notice the creation you have given and the way it speaks about your love and passion for your people. We do not take time to listen to your words, while reading the Bible, while listening to music, while talking to friends, and we become worried and upset about many things.

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Mary. We devote our time to looking up, thinking that everything we are commanded to do is to love God and we forget to serve our neighbor, and to commit our time to the concrete work of the church, forgetting to get our hands dirty.

*(continued)*

Let us pray:

**God of balance, help us: forgive us when we do not know when to be workers and when to be hearers. In your mercy, heal our worries and our judgments, so that we can, indeed, keep the best part. In the name of our loving Master. Amen.**

Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

*Lord, Grant Us Grace to Know the Time* — ST. ANNE  
(stanzas 1 and 2)

Prayers of the People

Cathy Walling & Congregation

With every confidence we come before God in prayer: For mild and pleasant weather, for rain at the time it is needed, for healthy and gentle winds and for the seasons to follow one another to our advantage, we pray to the Ruler of the universe.

**Hear our prayer, O God.**

For those persecuted by rulers who wield their power unjustly, and those harassed by enemy action, we implore our Savior.

**Hear our prayer, O God.**

To those whose faith moves them to remember the wants of those in need, we pray God to show mercy.

**Hear our prayer, O God.**

*—This prayer is adapted from the Litany of Pope Gelasius,  
dating to the end of the 5th century.*

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:

**Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, offered in steadfast faith and hope in your care for us. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Solo

Dakota Andersen

*Lord of the Small* — Dan Forrest

*Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,  
who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing,  
who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street,  
who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.*

*Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid,  
who girds them with courage and lends them His aid;  
He pours out his Spirit on vessels so weak,  
that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.*

*Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill,  
who heals their afflictions, or carries them till  
they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,  
to never be sick, and never to die.*

*Praise him, O praise Him, all ye who yet live,  
Who've been given so much and can so little give,  
our frail, lisping praise God will never despise—  
He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.  
—text: Johanna Anderson*

Sermon

Charles Johnson

**“ A Center of Love ”**

✠Hymn of Commitment 440 [ see insert ]

Congregation

*Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire* — GIFT OF LOVE

*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

Rick Crutcher

In gratitude for all that God has done for us, let us present our gifts to God.

Offertory Prayer

O God, receive these gifts, which are the product of our labors, and let us not forget the better part of our offering, which is our devotion to the words of life we have received from Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Choir

*O Love* — Elaine Hagenburg

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

✠Sending Forth

Charles Johnson

In a world that tries to impose its values on us,

**Let us live the way of God.**

Challenge justice, aid those in need, listen intently,

**So that we will not be preoccupied with busyness.**

Share what you have heard, so that, together,

**we may transform the world**

**into the beloved community of God.**

Go with the strength God gives us,

the love God gives us through Jesus,

**and the fire the Holy Spirit offers**

**to keep us going no matter what.**

Amen.

**Amen.**

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

*Postlude from “Celebrate Life”* — Buryl Red

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Register Your Attendance

[Royallane.org/register](http://Royallane.org/register)



Cover Art

*Martha and Mary* JESUS MAFA, 1973 – Cameroon

JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

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## Hymn Notes

### Martha Labored in the Kitchen

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## Quarterly Church Conference

### 6:30 pm, Wednesday, July 20 – Vickrey Hall & 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. Check out the QR Code below for the Zoom link and meeting materials. Join us at 5:30 pm and bring your own dinner. (Drinks provided, no childcare.)

*(Minutes and Agenda will be added to the website as these become available.)*



## Scriptures for Next Sunday

**Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85**

**Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19) Luke 11:1-13**

## 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](http://games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx)





## Charles Foster Johnson

### Guest Preacher

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.

## Youth Believing in Change

Paulette Harrison, Cookie Stokes, and Grace Watson read with the children served by Youth Believing in Change this last week. Tuesday, July 19th from 12:15 pm - 1:30pm will be the last day to volunteer for this wonderful program. We would love to see you there!

See Sign-Up Genius if you would like to help.

8574 Stults Rd

Dallas, TX 75243

<https://bit.ly/3aV5v18>





## Save the Date – August 14th! Blessing of the Backpacks!

Join us in worship at 10:55am as we engage together in blessing backpacks of youth and children as everyone heads back to school. This will also be a time when our congregation can celebrate the Sunday School teachers and general educators with prayers and blessings as they head into a new year to make a lasting impact on children and youth in our church and community.

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## Wednesday Night Dinners are Coming Back! Help us Restock the Kitchen!

Midweek Dinner at Royal Lane is returning August 24th, and Carly Manson, our fabulous cook, is looking forward to being back with us! Plans are being made for some relational, intergenerational, and sensational activities to kick-off the return of Wednesday Night Dinners. Here is our modified schedule:

5:30 pm	Dinner
6:00 pm	Announcements, Prayers, Birthdays
6:15 – 7:00 pm	Program

You can help by making donations to restock the kitchen with some staple items. Click the link below which will take you to the SignUpGenius website to sign up for specific items. After signing up, you may bring the items Sunday mornings to the Sanctuary Narthex, or to the Church Office during the work week. Items are requested by August 21st. *Please...only bring newly purchased items, and brands you trust.*

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



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

# Martha Labored in the Kitchen

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2016

Nettleton

Luke 10:38-42

John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813

1. Mar-tha la-bored in the kit-chen; there was much yet to be done!  
2. Ma-ry sat and hum-bly lis-tened to their guest—her Friend and Lord.  
3. God, we see in her dis-trac-tion—Mar-tha lost sight of her goal;  
4. Were there days when Ma-ry la-bored, help-ing oth-ers, serv-ing well?

There was cook-ing, clean-ing, bak-ing—too much work for a - ny - one.  
She just thought of Je-sus' teach-ing— not the need for bread and board.  
In her grumb-ling and com-plain-ing, she for - got food for the soul.  
Were there times when Mar-tha sa-vored sto-ries Je - sus loved to tell?

For the Lord had come to vi - sit; Je - sus sat there as her guest.  
So when Mar-tha came com-plain-ing, seek-ing Ma-ry's help that day,  
For there's al-ways some-thing press-ing—some-thing ur-gent we must do,  
May we wor-ship, pray, and stu - dy; may we serve you well to - day!

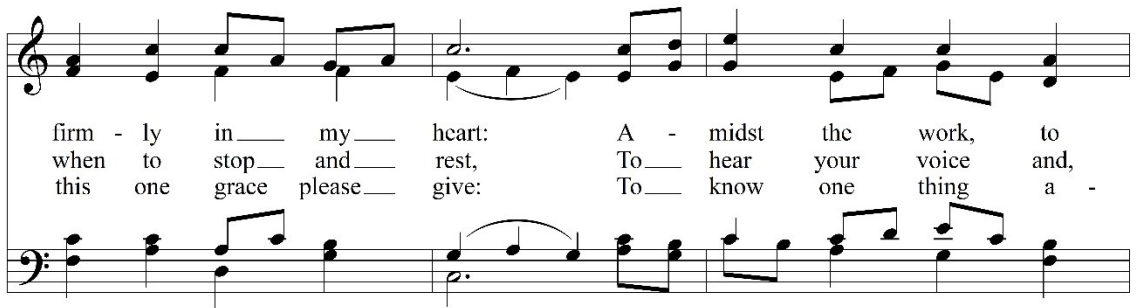
So much work! She longed to share it, so the meal would be its best.  
Je - sus turned to her ex-plain-ing, "Ma-ry chose the bet-ter way."  
Yet for us there's al-so bless-ing in the time we spend with you.  
All are need-ed for the jour-ney as we tra-vel Je-sus' way.

The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of four systems, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The lyrics are placed between the staves, with line numbers 1-4 at the beginning of the first system. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the fourth system.

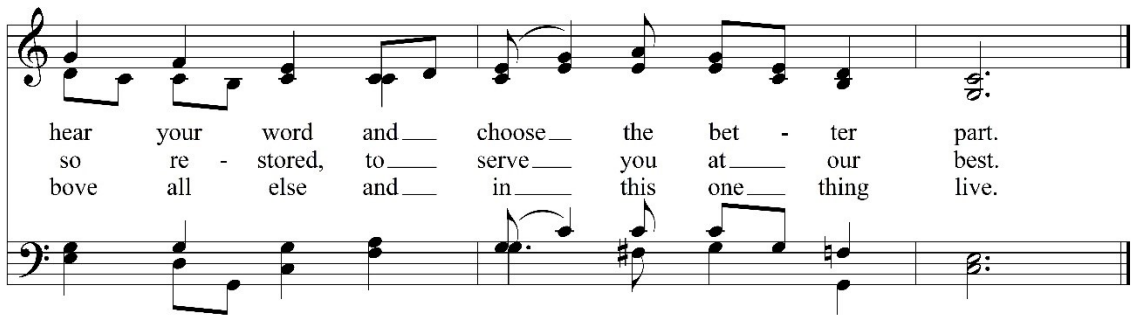
# This One Thing Only



1. This one thing on - ly lov - ing God, plant  
 2. Lord, show us when to la - bor on, and  
 3. O give this gift, our lov - ing Lord, and



firm - ly in my heart: A - midst the work, to  
 when to stop and rest, To hear your voice and,  
 this one grace please give: To know one thing a -

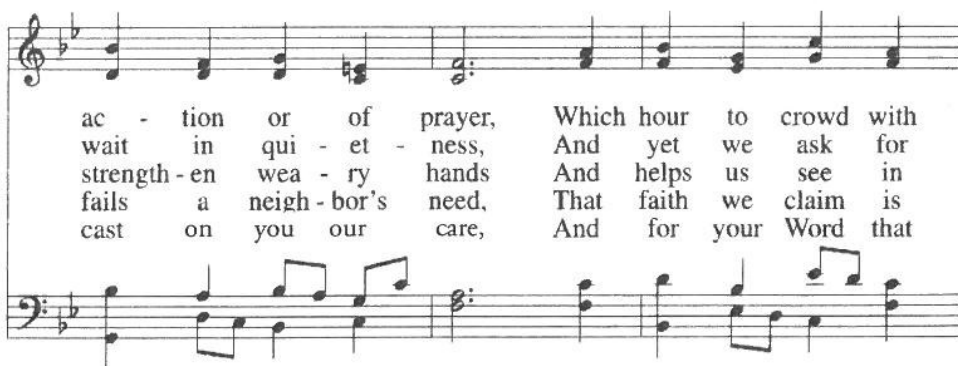


hear your word and choose the bet - ter part.  
 so re - stored, to serve you at our best.  
 bove all else and in this one thing live.

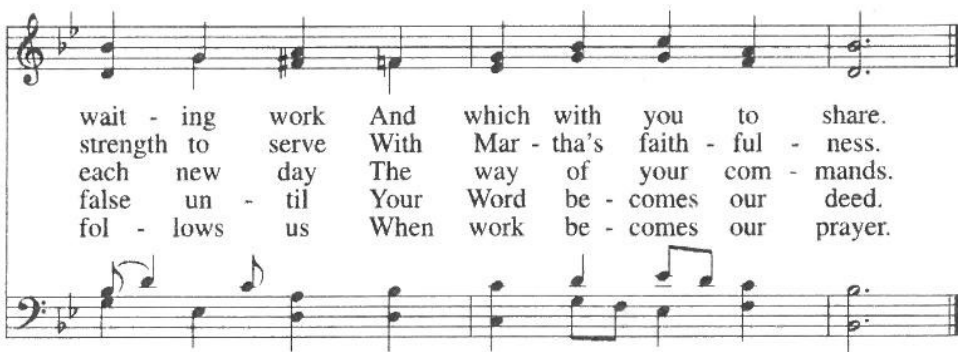
# Lord, Grant Us Grace to Know the Time



—> 1. Lord, grant us grace to know the time Of  
 —> 2. We seek your Word, as Mar - y sought; We  
 3. Your Word a - lone gives need - ed pow'r To  
 4. But you have taught that love is feigned That  
 5. We thank you, Lord, for qui - et time To



ac - tion or of prayer, Which hour to crowd with  
 wait in qui - et - ness, And yet we ask for  
 strength - en wea - ry hands And helps us see in  
 fails a neigh - bor's need, That faith we claim is  
 cast on you our care, And for your Word that



wait - ing work And which with you to share.  
 strength to serve With Mar - tha's faith - ful - ness.  
 each new day The way of your com - mands.  
 false un - til Your Word be - comes our deed.  
 fol - lows us When work be - comes our prayer.

# Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

*Unison*

1. Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the  
 2. Though I may give all I possess, and striving  
 3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits

gift to all inspire, and have not love,  
 so my love profess, but not be given  
 long to be made whole. Let inward love

my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hope-less gain.  
 by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.  
 guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.

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The Scripture this morning is Luke 10:38-42, which may be found on page 845 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

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<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup>there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

*(NRSV)*

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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*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 17 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
12:30 pm	Program Council — Vickrey Hall
<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 18</b>
	Children Depart for Camp – Disciples Crossing, Athens, Texas
3:00 pm	Building Action Task Force — Library
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 19</b>
7:00 pm	Pastor Search Committee
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 20</b>
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Vickrey Hall (3:30 - 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Bring Your Own Dinner — Vickrey Hall (drinks provided, no childcare)
6:30 pm	Quarterly Church Conference — Vickrey Hall/Zoom
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 22</b>
	Children Return from Camp
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 23</b>
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 24 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</b>
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:55 am	Morning Worship – Rick Carpenter, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
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](mailto: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](http://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](http://royallane.org/prayer)  
Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plate.



## Deacons on Call

Blake Miller & Cathy Walling

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When WE Give: we can support missions that bring Christ to all!

## 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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