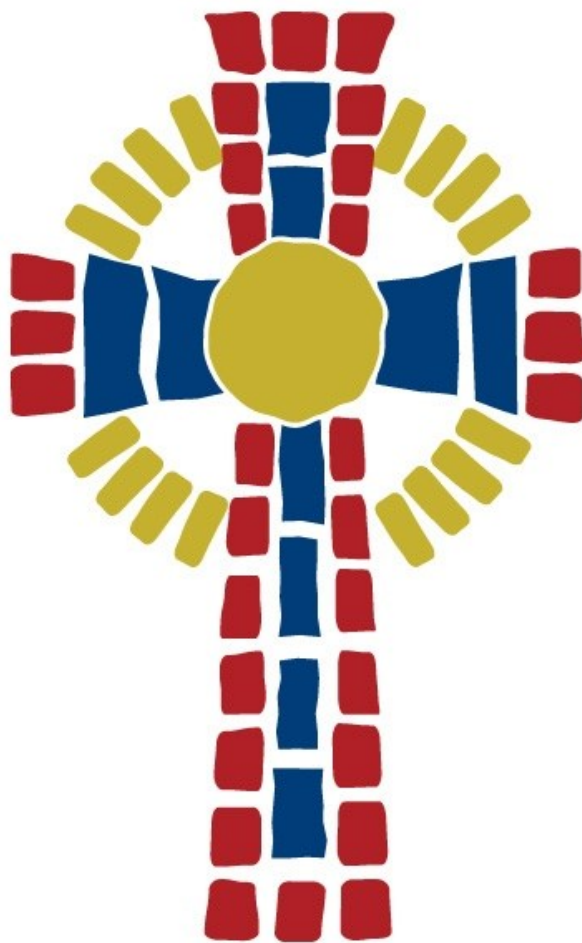


# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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*Diverse People United in Christ*



# *The Worship of God*

## *Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

July 31, 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

*What makes us feel secure in the world? Fear and distrust that we will not have enough can prompt us to grasp for more money and material goods – to live with an attitude or mindset of scarcity. How does life under the reign of God empower us to live in trust that there is enough for all and to move from a scarcity mindset to a mindset of abundance?*

### Voluntary

Jonah Hammett and David Weigle

*Sur Les Cimes* — by Eugène Bozza  
*For Horn and Piano*

### ✠Call to Worship

Congregation

We come here from the world whose siren song tells us that we do not have enough -

**We do not buy enough – we are not enough.**

Here we re-learn God's wisdom – that we have enough if we share;

**that security cannot be found in the marketplace;**

**that we are always enough.**

Center us once again, Holy God. Ground us in your love.

**Grow us toward your sense of abundance:**

**abundant listening, active love, fullest life.**

### ✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

**Living God, open our hearts to the real treasures in life: may we seek the love that lasts, the song that echoes, and the life everlasting. Open our hearts to the Christ, the Spirit of life, and you, the Creator of all – the Eternal One. Amen.**

### ✠Hymn 671 [ see insert ]

Congregation

*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending* — BEACH SPRING

Words of Welcome

Elwanda Edwards

**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](http://royallane.org/register) or see QR code following Organ Dismissal.]*

Scripture Lesson

Lin F.

Luke 12:13-21 Pew Bible page 847 of the New Testament

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

*Bigger Barns* — ABERYSWYTH

Call to Confession

Terry Berrier & Congregation

Blessing, and blessed God, we pray to you for “our daily bread,” for what we need. But in our worrying, we crave even more. In our fear that there may not be enough, we desire more than we need. In our hope to evade trouble, we look for refuge and rescue in amassing more and more things. Hear now our words of confession.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

**Forgive us, dear God, for the times when our anxieties outweigh our sense.  
Forgive us when we think of ourselves but forget to think of others.  
Forgive us that we do not seek our safety in you. Unclench our fists. Open  
our hearts. Amen.**

*We now share silence together*

Promise of Forgiveness

God is our refuge, our rock, our strength. God hears our repentance,  
**and we know ourselves forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

*What Things We Own We Cannot Give* — CANONBURY

Prayers of the People

Jennifer Maddox & Congregation

God, may we share our inheritance: the gifts we have received and the challenges we carry. Let us share with others, that our gifts and our joys might brighten those around us and that our cares might be lessened as empathizing hearts surround us.

**We lift prayers to you, and with one another, that in our speaking, we might hear those concerns, those griefs, and those delights in new ways, ways that help us to understand one another and reach out to each other in tenderness and respect.**

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:

**We pray for all the unknowns that spur us to ask whether we will have enough, or be enough for challenges to come. We trust you, God, that you will never leave us. In your great grace and love, we rest. Amen.**

Anthem

Choir

*Take My Life And Let It Be Consecrated* — William M. Schoenfeld  
Jonah Hammett, Horn

Sermon

Steve Graham

## **“Excellence in Ministry”**

✠Hymn of Commitment 665 [ see insert ]

Congregation

*Because I Have Been Given Much* — SEMINARY

*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 & Prayer

Kate Thompson

Someone is always asking after our treasure. Is it enough? Is it safe? As we weigh what we might offer this day, may we ponder the love of our God, a treasure without price, ours without asking, buoying us up every day. With that great gift, must we hold so tightly to this world's treasure?

Holy One, we give you thanks for the richness of our lives. Bless these tithes and offerings, that they might be used as expressions of your steadfast love for those in need near and far. Amen.

Offertory

David Weigle

*Talk About a Child That Do Love Jesus* — arranged by Joe Utterback

*We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane's Ministry.*

*See back cover for ways to give.*

✠ Sending Forth

Steve Graham

Living God, open our hearts to the real treasures in life:

**May we seek the love that lasts, the song that echoes, and life abundant and everlasting.**

Amen.

**Amen.**

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

*Prelude in G Major* — by Felix Mendelssohn

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Register Your Attendance

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



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

**Save the date ~ August 14th!**  
**Church-wide Potluck honoring our Sunday school teachers!**

Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:30am with your favorite breakfast side to help celebrate our amazing adult, youth, and children's Sunday School teachers. Children and Youth will be promoting as of 8/21/22, so this will be a special time to celebrate with teachers and look forward to new classes.

**Blessing of the Backpacks!**

Join us in 10:55am worship service that morning as we engage together in blessing backpacks of youth and children as everyone heads back to school. This will also be a time where 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.



**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)



## *RLBC Church Profile*

If you were a member of this church for twenty-five years and had served on a copious number of committees, had sung in the choir, been a deacon, started a Sunday School class, and attended church regularly, would you expect that you knew our church well? Of course, you would! And that is exactly what my response would be a few months ago before I was asked by Terry Berrier to be part of a team of four who would create a new church profile for the prospective pastoral candidates who we're soon interviewing.

You may have received a phone call from me as I called over 100 people to update our church membership list. I also helped to write a few revised sections and edited the final draft. Shannon Miller, even in her final stages of pregnancy (!), compiled the interesting church survey and then helped to solicit 137 responses—an amazing feat. Scott Bryant worked assiduously to revise several of the sections and then competently put together the entire document—complete with new pictures. And Margaret Darden, our excellent leader, filled in so many of the gaps as she ensured that all the information we needed was collected and inspired our team to keep progressing. I am not one who relishes committee work, but I told our team several times that if every committee worked as efficiently and harmoniously like ours did, I sure would say “yes” to committee work more often!

We have SO much of which to be proud. In addition to reading the interesting responses to the church survey questions, I learned about our rich history and the many activities that occur each month. I learned about our financial history and how our church is governed. I learned about parts of our church that I was so blind to but am grateful for, especially at this important chapter in our church history.

Now, as we are at the beginning of a new and exciting chapter, you may want to know more about who we've been, who we are, and what we hope to continue to be. To do this, simply open the Church Profile link on the Who We Are section provided below and read away; I suspect that you will be happy you did.

*Christine Nicolette-Gonzalez*



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# God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from Your  
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the  
3. Trea - sure, too, You have en - trust - ed, gain through

rich and end - less store: na - ture's won - der, Je - sus'  
goals of Christ, Your Son: all at peace in health and  
powers Your grace con - ferred; ours to use for home and

wis - dom, cost - ly cross, grave's shat - tered door, gift - ed  
free - dom, ra - ces joined, the church made one. Now di -  
kin - dred, and to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen

by You, we turn to You, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise;  
rect our dai - ly la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone;  
wide our hands in shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call,

thank-ful song shall rise for - ev - er, gra-cious do - nor of our days.  
 born with tal - ents, make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at Your throne.  
 heal - ing, teach-ing, and re - claim-ing, serv-ing You by lov-ing all.

## Hymn Notes

### God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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 From Songs of Grace: New Hymns for God and Neighbor  
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### What Things We Own We Cannot Give

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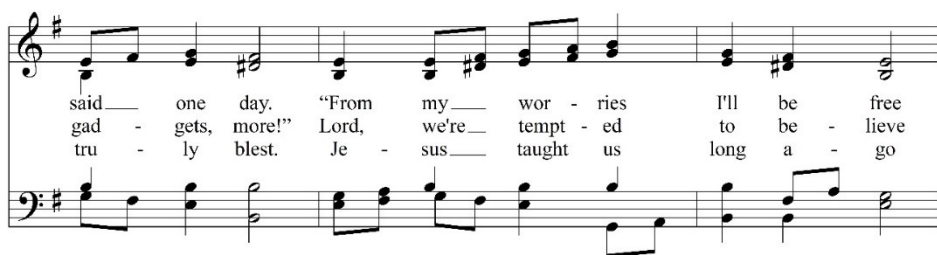
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# Bigger Barns



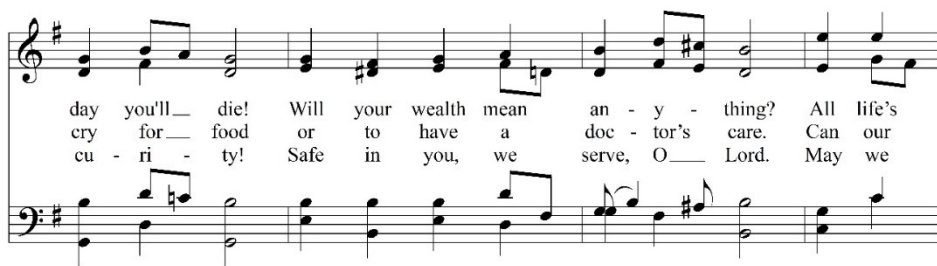
1. "Big - ger — barns — are what I need!" So a rich man  
 2. "Big - ger — barns — are what we need for our mon - ey,  
 3. God of — love, — we long to know what will make us



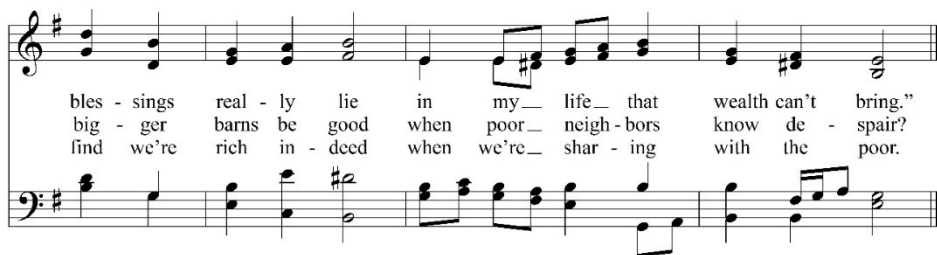
said — one day. "From my — wor - ries I'll be free  
 gad - gets, more!" Lord, we're — tempt - ed to be - lieve  
 tru - ly blest. Je - sus — taught us long a - go



when my — wealth is stored a - way." "Fool!" God said, "To -  
 hav - ing — wealth, we'll be se - cure! Some - where child - ren  
 wealth won't — give us peace or rest. You are our se -



day you'll — die! Will your wealth mean an - y - thing? All life's  
 cry for — food or to have a doc - tor's care. Can our  
 cu - ri - ty! Safe in you, we serve, O — Lord. May we

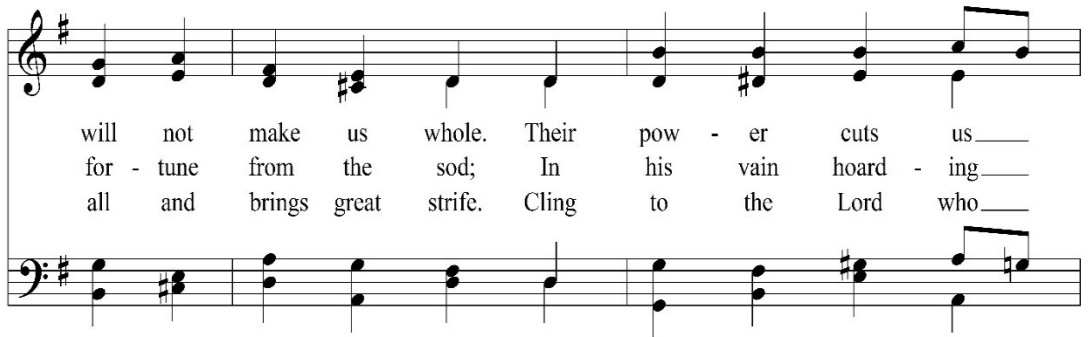


bles - sings real - ly lie in my — life — that wealth can't bring."  
 big - ger barns be good when poor — neigh - bors know de - spair?  
 find we're rich in - deed when we're — shar - ing with the poor.

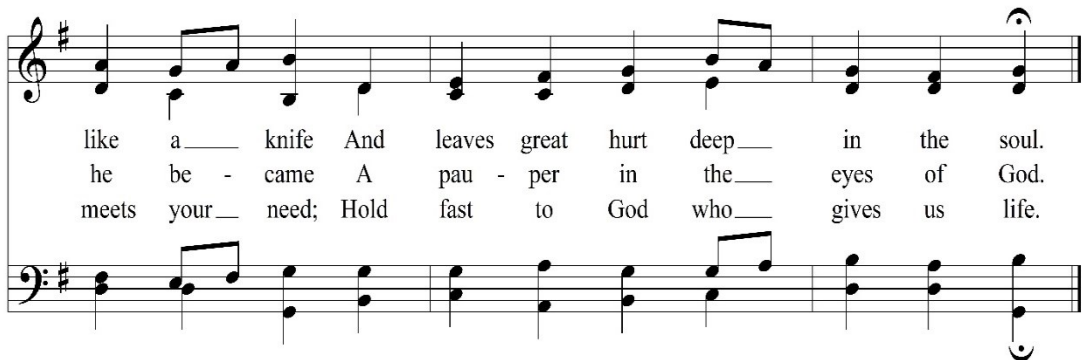
# What Things We Own We Cannot Give



1. What things we own can - not give\_\_\_ life; Pos - ses - sions  
2. Re - mem - ber he who\_\_\_ laid great\_\_\_ claim To wealth and  
3. So be on guard a - gainst all\_\_\_ greed That harms us



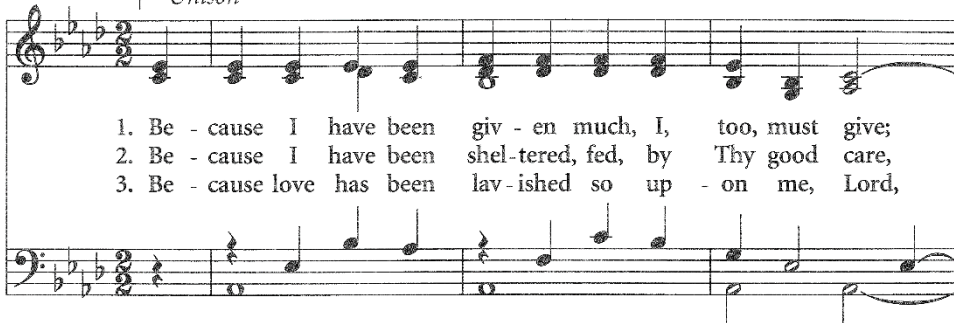
will not make us whole. Their pow - er cuts us\_\_\_  
for - tune from the sod; In his vain hoard - ing\_\_\_  
all and brings great strife. Cling to the Lord who\_\_\_



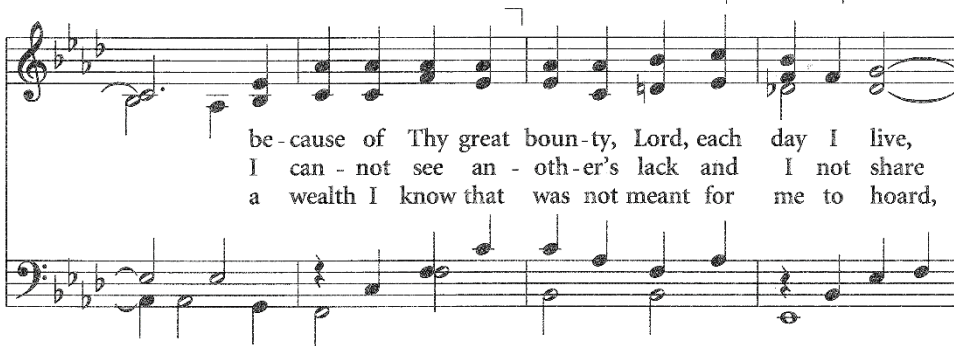
like a\_\_\_ knife And leaves great hurt deep\_\_\_ in the soul.  
he be - came A pau - per in the\_\_\_ eyes of God.  
meets your\_\_\_ need; Hold fast to God who\_\_\_ gives us life.

# Because I Have Been Given Much

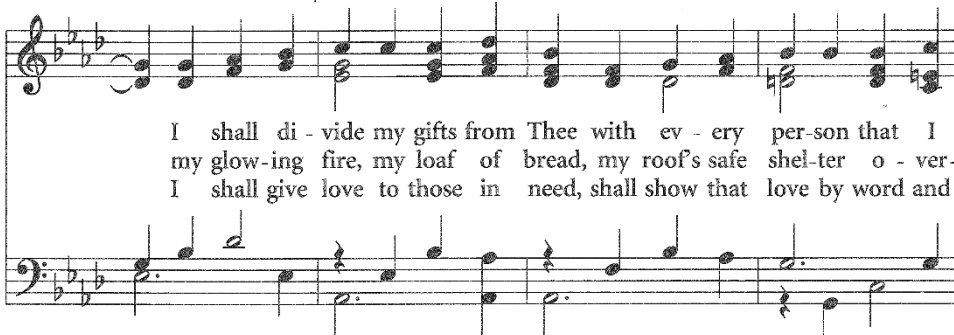
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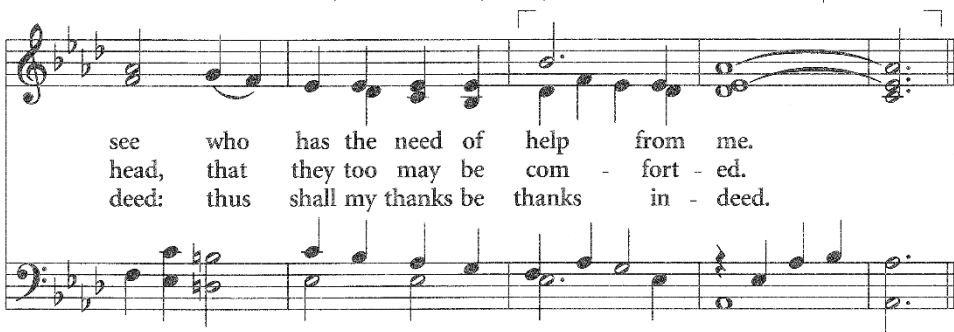
1. Be - cause I have been giv - en much, I, too, must give;  
2. Be - cause I have been shel - tered, fed, by Thy good care,  
3. Be - cause love has been lav - ished so up - on me, Lord,



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.

## Study for Wednesday Evening with Steve Graham

We invite you to gather in Vickrey Hall on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm. Bring your own dinner. Drinks will be provided. The Mid-Week program will begin at 6:15 pm for in person or zoom participation. (No childcare provided.)

Scriptures for Next Sunday  
**Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23**  
**Hebrews 11:1-3. 8-16 Luke 12:32-40**

## 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.*

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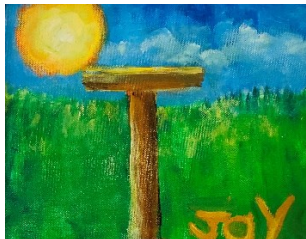
The Scripture this morning is Luke 12:13-21, which may be found on page 847 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

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<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' <sup>18</sup>Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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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 31 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
12:15 pm	Lunch Bunch — Zoe's Kitchen (Preston & Forest)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 1</b>
3:00 pm	Building Action Task Force — Library
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>August 2</b>
7:00 pm	Pastor Search Committee
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 3</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)
6:15 pm	Wacky Wednesdays — Pool Party Finale
6:15 pm	Midweek Study with Steven Graham — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal & Soirée — Berrier Residence
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 6</b>
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 7 – Ninth 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 – Holy Communion Offered — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel Following Worship – First Sunday Youth Lunch
2:00 pm	Missions Division — Library
7:30 pm	Education 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

Terry Berrier and Jennifer Maddox

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When WE Give: we are wise stewards of our time, our talents, and our resources!

## 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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