## ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



### The Worship of God Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**September 18, 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.

Pelease rise in body or in spirit.

Chiming of the Hour

The love of God is not a measured, half-hearted gift. Neither does God ask us for only some of our love, but for a love that encompasses all that we are. The women of today's scriptures model total devotion: the poor widow who gives all that she owns to God; and Ruth, who offers herself as a wife to Boaz so that she and Naomi may have a new life.

Voluntary David Weigle

Promised Land — arranged by Joseph Martin

\*Call to Worship Charlotte Sewell, Chair of Missions & Congregation Even in a distant land, amid unfamiliar neighbors, Ruth courageously offered love and devotion.

Even when we are unsure, even when we are uncomfortable, God grants us the courage to serve.

When a poor widow was down to her last two coins, she followed her heart and gave with faithful devotion.

God gives us wisdom to follow the Spirit, to be generous in all things, even when it may not seem sensible.

\*Invocation Congregation

Let us pray:

God of Compassion, you love the world with a complete, joyful, and selfless love. You call us to love you and our neighbor in the same way. Teach us to be generous in love and ready to serve. Inspire us to share our talents and our time. Help us to live with such passion and purpose, that we may one day look back at what we have given to others in the name of your love. Amen.

\*Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

#### The Temple Rang with Golden Coins — AZMON

Words of Welcome

Jan Quesada

#### 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

Blake Miller

Mark 12:41-44 [ Pew Bible page 825 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

Doug Watts

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

\*Hymn 671 [ see insert ]

Congregation

God Whose Giving Knows No Ending — BEACH SPRING

"Who Are We?" — An Encouragement toward Stewardship

Garey Wisdom

\*Hymn 490 [ see insert ]

Congregation

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated — HENDON

Prayers of the People

Wayne Meacham, Chair of Fellowship & Congregation

God of life, we praise you for your abiding presence from generation to generation, blessing your people, strengthening us to lives of service, empowering us to witness. Hear the prayers we offer on behalf of your creation.

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

(continued)

Let us pray:

Life-giving God, heal our lives, that we may acknowledge your wonderful deeds and offer you thanks from generation to generation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place — arranged by Claude Bass

Sermon Doug Watts

" Ancestry.com "

Ruth 2:1-9

\*Hymn of Commitment [ see insert ]

Congregation

With Joy, O God, We Give to You — ELLACOMBE 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

Percy Parrish, Chair of Properties

O God, you give to us generously and joyfully. In loving response, we offer these gifts and our hearts back to you. May we seize the opportunity to befriend the lonely, provide for the needy, and rejoice together, each and every day we are blessed to live. Amen.

Offertory David Weigle

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring — by J. S. Bach We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane's Ministry. See back cover for ways to give.

**\***Sending Forth

Doug Watts

Go out in love to care for strangers.

Go out in love to care for our families.

Go out in love to care for neighbors.

Go out in love to care for yourselves, beloved of God.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal David Weigle

*Rondeau* — by Henry Purcell

#### Register Your Attendance

Royallane.org/register



Study for Wednesday Evening

Midweek with Dean Dickens

"Paul and Barny: What Do We Do Now?"

#### 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



#### 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.

#### Doug Watts, Guest Preacher

Doug Watts is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and a certified educator with the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education. Doug has served as a pastor in Indiana, Ohio, and Texas and as a children's minister here at Royal Lane. He most recently served as Interim Pastor at Central Congregational Church. He is the Manager of Clinical Pastoral Education at UT Southwestern Medical Center here in Dallas.

He and his wife Charlotte share their life with their 4 children, 5 grandchildren and their dogs Madonna and Clara.



#### Amanda Tyler, Guest Preacher - September 25



Amanda Tyler is the executive director of BJC (Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty) in Washington, D.C. She leads the organization as it upholds the historic Baptist principle of religious liberty, defending the free exercise of religion and protecting against its establishment by government.

Tyler often speaks in churches, educational institutions and denominational gatherings, and she provides commentary on faith freedom issues to the national media. She also co-hosts the Respecting Religion series on the BJC Podcast, and she serves

on the board of the Center for Faith, Justice, and Reconciliation.

Tyler was named "Baptist of the Year" by EthicsDaily.com in 2019 for her work leading the Christians Against Christian Nationalism initiative. Called a "powerful advocate" and "rising star in the sector" by *The Nonprofit Times*, she was named one of the nation's top 50 nonprofit leaders in 2018.

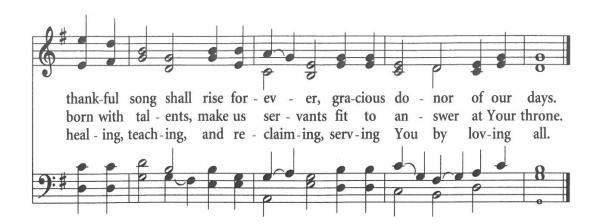
Tyler is a graduate of Georgetown University and The University of Texas School of Law. A member of the Texas and U.S. Supreme Court Bar, she has experience working in Congress, in a private legal practice and serving as a law clerk for a federal judge.

#### The Temple Rang with Golden Coins



#### God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending





## Cover Art Who Are We?

#### Hymn Notes

#### The Temple Rang with Golden Coins

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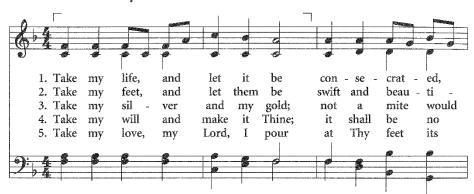
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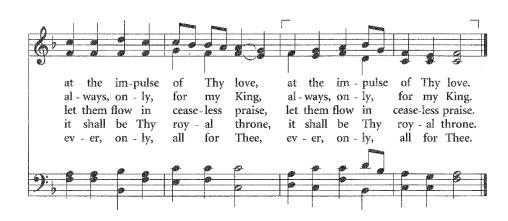
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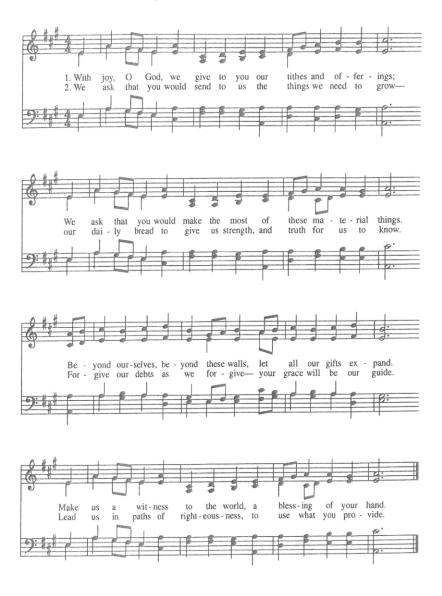
#### Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated







#### With Joy, O God, We Give to You



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The Scripture this morning is Mark 12:41:44, which may be found on page 825 of the New Testament of the pew Bible or as an insert in your order of worship.

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<sup>41</sup>He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup>A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup>Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup>For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

#### (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!** 



## Join Us! Reception for Amanda Tyler

Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 4:30-6:00pm

At the home of Theresa & John Helms 11631 Hillcrest Road, Dallas 75230

Please Park at the church † Shuttle transport provided

Casual Dress • Appetizers & Beverages • Conversation

RSVP to <u>i.quesada@tcu.edu</u> by Wednesday, 9/21



#### Pardon our Dust!

Portions of the Adult Education Classrooms are being remodeled to accommodate the needs of Royal Lane's Children's Ministry. We anticipate that remodeling will be completed on Thursday, September. 22.

#### Pumpkin Patch 2022

The Pumpkins Are Coming October 1st at 9:00am!

Please join us in volunteering at the RLBC Pumpkin Patch. We have many volunteer opportunities for all ages and abilities. Volunteering at the Pumpkin Patch is a wonderful way to get to know fellow members, interact with our beloved community, and help raise money which funds programming and the various missions and ministries at RLBC. Please point to the QR Code to the right or enter the bit.ly code below to take you to the Sign-Up Genius to choose your volunteer times. We appreciate you!



https://bit.ly/3d0MBaD

#### September Missions Project for Cornerstone Baptist Church

Donate new or gently used men's pants/slacks/jeans during the month of September for Cornerstone Baptist Church. Donation bins located in the Narthex and Vickrey Hall. Questions? Contact Charlotte Sewell.



## Stewardship 2023



#### Who are we...?

We are diverse people united in Christ.

#### Who are we?

We are an inclusive, multi-generational community of believers in God as revealed in Jesus Christ. We are a vibrant, welcoming, and affirming mosaic of ethnicities, racial identities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and socioeconomics. We affirm the sacredness, dignity, and equality of every person. We are a progressive and autonomous Baptist church valuing the freedom to minister alongside other groups, both Christian and non-Christian.

#### Who are we...(becoming)?

We are seeking to continue to be a catalyst for love and light in our city and beyond as we journey to:

- be an anti-racist congregation
- advocate for and fully support the LGBTQIA+ community
- boldly support racial and social justice efforts

As we celebrate our 70th anniversary and begin our eighth decade we encourage you to be a part of this journey and by prayerfully considering your stewardship through the tithing and offering of your time, talents, and financial resources.

The 2023 stewardship campaign will take place throughout September. You will be invited to share a word that represents who Royal Lane is to you which will be added to a collective word cloud. We will also offer an opportunity to gather following worship on Sunday, September 11th for fellowship where each division will share the highlights of their ministries.

This is who we are and who we are becoming...as we *Celebrate Our Legacy and Commit* to *Our Future*, we ask that you complete your 2023 commitment card by the end of September.

Henri Nouwen offers an impactful way for us to think towards the stewardship campaign in the coming weeks:

"When we seek to raise funds, we are not saying, 'Please, could you help out because lately it's been hard.' Rather, we are declaring, 'we have a vision that is amazing and exciting. We are inviting you to invest yourself through the resources that God has given you - your energy, your prayers, and your money – in the work which God has called us." — The Spirituality of Fund-Raising

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#### Additional Deacon Seat to Be Filled

The Deacon Nominations will now also include filling the unexpired term of Jennifer Maddox. This is in addition to Sarah King's unexpired term on the Board. These two terms both expire in October of 2024.



#### Save the Date for the first Women of the Church Fall Retreat

Saturday, October 1st 9am-3pm...Sister Grove Farm This is Us: Building our Community

If you still haven't registered for the fall WOC retreat, please make sure your spot is reserved now, as there is only room for 50 blessed women! Come learn more about some fabulous women in our church community who span seven generations! Do you know what brings them joy? How you can pray for them? How they stay young? The seven-decade speaker line-up: Kenna Curry, Sarah King, Jill Hill, Melanie Ferguson, Leslie Cechan, Patsy Meier, and four amazing women in their 80s (Anne Sewell, Margaret Darden, DeeDee Young, and Barbara Gunnin)!

Breakfast, lunch, and communion are included. Write a check for \$40 to the church with Women's Retreat in the subject area or call Janet in the church office at 214-361,2809, ext. 11, with your credit card information. Or pay online at royallane.org/give - 2022 October Women's Retreat.





# Trio de Bois

#### Robyn's Texas Farewell

#### 9/23, TBD

Westbrook Intermediate School 302 W. El Dorado Blvd, Friendswood

#### 9/24, 2pm

South Main Baptist Church 4100 Main St, Houston

#### 9/25, 2pm

Royal Lane Baptist Church 6707 Royal Lane, Dallas





Admission by Donaton

#### Schedule for the Week

Sunday	September 18 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost				
12:30 pm	Program Council — Vickrey Hall				
2:00 pm	Racial Justice Team — Vickrey Hall				
Monday	September 19				
3:00 pm	Building Action Task Force — Library				
Tuesday	September 20				
7:00 pm	Pastor Search Committee				
Wednesday	September 21				
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Youth Portable (3:30 - 5:30 pm)				
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall				
-	Spaghetti with Garlic Bread, Salad, Apple Pie				
6:15 pm	Midweek Study with Dean Dickens — Vickrey Hall & Zoom				
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)				
7:15 pm	Choir — Sanctuary				
Saturday	September 24				
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom				
4:30 pm	An Afternoon with Amanda Tyler — Home of the Helms (4:30 - 6:00 pm)				
Sunday	September 25 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost				
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building				
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Vickrey Hall				
10:00 am	Congregational Affiliation Committee — Library				
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)				
10:10 am	Non-Traditional Class — Room 212				
10:55 am	Morning Worship, Amanda Tyler, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary				
	or Royal Lane YouTube Channel				
2:00 pm	Trio de Bois, Bassoon Trio Concert — Sanctuary				
	Admission by Donation – Robyn Watson's Texas Farewell				
	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.

#### **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**

Blake Miller & Cathy Walling

When WE Give: we seek to continue to be a catalyst for love and light in our city.

#### July 2022 Financials

•	YTD Actua
Revenues*	\$ 436,062
Expenses	\$ 456,290
Surplus (Deficit)*	\$ (20,228)

<sup>\*</sup>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.

Donate online at royallane.org/give/



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