

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Palm/Passion Sunday

April 14, 2019

10:55 A.M.

Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.

Please use this as a time of quiet reflection and prayer,

and to record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew, and pass it to others.

To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

† – *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chiming of the Hour

Christ be with you ... and also with you!

Jesus we come—to walk the road with you—to follow you to the cross. We prepare ourselves now to follow your footprints in the dust. To understand how you died. To understand how we die. To understand how you lived. To understand how we should live.

You finished the work you came into the world to complete. You completed, and will complete, the world in which you came to work. You have completed and will complete your work in us.

May we, in turn, have the opportunity to join you in this completion. To take up your work, and to pull the yoke with you as our partner.

Voluntary

All Glory, Laud, and Honor — arranged by David Paxton

David Weigle

†Call to Worship

Hosanna!

Hosanna!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God!

Blessed are we, for we have been created by that same God.

Blessed is the sound of our voices, lifted up in praise.

Blessed are the children of God,

joining together in one glorious Hosanna.

Blessed are the souls that move and wave and dance in a tapestry of motion, embodying your love.

Blessed is the breath that enlivens us, animates us,

and sustains us in singing our ceaseless praise to you, O God.

Hosanna!

Hosanna in the Highest!

Congregation

†Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, who finished the work that you were sent to do, enable us by your Holy Spirit to be faithful to our call. Grant us strength to bear our crosses and endure our sufferings, even until death. Enable us to live and love so faithfully that we also become good news to the world, joining your witness. O Christ in whose name we pray. Amen.

†Hymn 175

Congregation

All Glory, Laud, and Honor — ST. THEODULPH

Scripture Lesson

Charlotte Sewell

Luke 19:28-40 (Pew Bible page 854 of the Old Testament)

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

Time of Silent Reflection

Anthem

Combined Choirs

Hosanna! Ride On! — Carolyn Jennings

Hosanna! Ride on! Ride on in majesty!

O Christ, with brave humility,

On lowly colt, your road pursue, as palms and cloaks are spread for you.

As crowds of people come to see

And shout hosannas, lifting high their praise for one about to die.

Ride on in humble dignity: behold the ones you came to save
from senseless life and endless grave.

For you have set your people free

And we, rememb'ring all your pain, now meet again to hail your reign.

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

Children through kindergarten are invited to Godly Play,

1st through 4th grade to Young Theologians.

You may collect your children in the Children's Building following the service.

†Hymn 176

Congregation

With Waving Palms and Shouts of Praise — FOREST GREEN

Call to Confession

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

We discover ourselves in the stories of Holy Week. We know there have been times when we too have betrayed, abandoned, and denied our connections and love in order to feel safe. We sometimes lack the courage to confront or oppose the powers of empire, which offer lives full of privilege and ease while others languish in pain. Hear now our confession.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

We confess that we are as fearful and anxious about our lives as those disciples and ask your forgiveness in grace. Help us to have the courage to live our faith and to follow Christ with confidence and true hopefulness, even into the places of pain. Forgive us we pray. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

Promise of Forgiveness

Yes—we are represented at that table by the disciples in all their frailty and faults. God loved and forgave them then, and God loves and forgives us now. People of God be assured that without this great forgiveness, we would not be here today.

It is because of God's embrace and reclaiming of our lives that we gather in Christ's name—disciples once more. In this let us find pardon, purpose, and new life. Amen.

Solo

Rita Nsbumbu

Ride On King Jesus — arranged by Hall Johnson

Prayers of the People

Tim Schaefer & Congregation

We pray for the church and for all who serve others, especially those in most need.

Jesus has set an example for us; help us to follow him.

We pray for peace among nations and religions, and peace among people.

Jesus has set an example for us; help us to follow him.

We pray for those who suffer because of hatred and hard-heartedness.

Jesus has set an example for us; help us to follow him.

We pray for those who are injured by acts of violence or natural disaster.

Jesus has set an example for us; help us to follow him.

We pray for those who are sick or dying, for those who are frightened or distraught.

(continued)

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.)

Silence Is Kept

Let us pray:

In Jesus Christ, you show us that true glory is in humble service. Renew in us your call to love one another, to welcome the stranger, and to show Christ's mercy in all we do. It is for his sake that we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Michael Gregg

Anthem

Choir

Seventh Word from *The Seven Last Words of Christ* — Théodore Dubois

Rita Nsumbu, Bob Brooks, Brittany Wooten Jones, soloists

And with a loud voice Jesus cried, exclaiming: It is finished!

And He did bow His head, and rendered up His spirit.

*Christ, we do all adore Thee, and we do praise Thee for ever;
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.*

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ The Seventh Word: It Is Finished ”

John 19:30

†Hymn of Commitment 186

Congregation

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross — HAMBURG

Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess or reaffirm your faith or identify with this fellowship. A minister will greet and receive you.

Offertory Prayer

Blake Vickrey

Offertory

David Weigle

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross — arranged by Joe Utterback

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

†Sending Forth

Michael Gregg

We have waved palms and shouted “Hosannas.”

We have gathered in excitement and rejoicing.

Holy One, hear our voices and know our joy and hope.

We have witnessed your trial and death over and over.

Holy One, our world is full of trial and death.

Daily we are immersed in the shortcomings of society and news of persecution.

We have remembered your last breath, Loving Savior.

Holy One, we have remembered, and again recoiled in the horror of it.

Be with us now as we walk through this last week of Lent.

Help us to heal, and to be part of the healing.

Be with us in this heaviness as we journey toward the light.

Hold us, as we hold this story close.

And help us to be your people, your presence, your Body.

Amen.

Amen.

†Sung Response [see opposite page]

Congregation

Jesus to Calvary Did Go — PATRICIA

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

The Royal Banners — James Mansfield

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Box Gallery Exhibit

“NATURESCAPES” by Sherry Houpt

Meet the Artist today – April 14

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm — Box Gallery

Jesus to Calv'ry Did Go

Je - sus to Cal - v'ry did go; _____ his love for

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The bass staff has a bass line of quarter notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. There is a fermata over the C5 note in the treble staff.

sin - ners to show. _____ What he did there brought

The second system of music continues the melody. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The bass staff has a bass line of quarter notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2. The key signature has three flats and the time signature is 4/4. There is a fermata over the C5 note in the treble staff.

hope from de - spair. O how he loves you; O how he

The third system of music continues the melody. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The bass staff has a bass line of quarter notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2. The key signature has three flats and the time signature is 4/4. There is a fermata over the C5 note in the treble staff.

loves me; O how he loves you and me! _____

The fourth system of music concludes the melody. The treble staff has a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The bass staff has a bass line of quarter notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, B2, A2, G2. The key signature has three flats and the time signature is 4/4. There is a fermata over the C5 note in the treble staff.

Study for Wednesday Evening
Bible Study with Mike Gregg
Luke 3:1-38, The Baptism of Jesus

Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

For the Children!

Children's bulletins are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12.

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

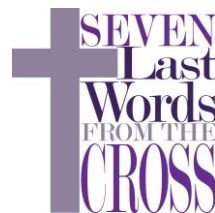


Women of the Church
6:00 pm – Monday, April 22

You won't want to miss this month's **Women of the Church Spring Retreat Warm-up!** – Monday, April 22. Christine Nicolette-Gonzalez, the leader of the May retreat, will be presenting a session called "Write your Way to a Balanced Life." She will share her first-hand experience on how she has used writing throughout each decade of her life to make a difference in both her spiritual and emotional well-being. No matter what your skill level of writing is, you will have the opportunity to participate in writing exercises that can help you find more balance in your life.

Bring a salad of your choice to share with 6-8 people or a dessert, and feel free to bring a friend. The salad buffet begins at Vickrey Hall at 6:00 pm. As always, if you don't have time to cook, just pay \$5. If you need childcare, please call the church office by noon, April 17.

Lent & Holy Week



Lenten Series 7 Last Words of Jesus

Wednesday April 17

- 5:30 pm Family Supper — Vickrey Hall
- 6:00 pm Youth Study Hall — Youth Basement
- 6:15 pm Midweek Service — Vickrey Hall
- 6:15 pm Children's Seder — Children's Building
- 7:15 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

Friday April 19 – Good Friday

- 5:30 pm Choir Dinner — Library
- 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
- 8:00 pm Good Friday Service – Holy Communion offered — Sanctuary (*childcare provided*)
“The Seven Last Words of Christ” – Théodore DuBois
Presented by the Sanctuary Choir & soloists
- 8:00 pm Children's Good Friday Service — Children's Building

Saturday April 20

- 2:00 pm Walk Through Holy Week & Easter Egg Hunt (2:00 – 4:00 pm)

Sunday April 21 – Easter Sunday

- 8:00 am Flowering of the Cross — Sanctuary
Testimony of Joy – Karen Miller
- 8:30 am Church-wide Breakfast — Vickrey Hall
- 9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
- 10:55 am Morning Worship – “A New Word of Beginning” — Sanctuary

Nathan Watts Ordination – Request for Fabric Swatches

Nathan Watts has been called to serve as the pastor of First Congregational Church, Flagstaff, Arizona and will be ordained on May 5, 2019, at The Good Shepherd UCC, Sahuarita, Arizona.

RLBC will participate in this celebration by collecting swatches of fabric to be made into a stole and presented to Nathan at his ordination. Please include an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet of paper (suitable to be placed in a notebook) with this information:

- Your name
- Why you chose this fabric
- A note of encouragement for Nathan

Bring to the church office on or before April 15.

Needed for Easter Egg Hunt

Please bring by Wednesday, April 17.

Individually wrapped candies, plastic eggs and small prizes that can be put in the eggs. Baskets for donations are available in the Church Office and Vickrey Hall. Please remember that these must be safe for our youngest children.

Need some ideas?

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| Stickers | Hot Wheel Cars |
| Lip Gloss/Chap Stick | Silly Bands |
| Small dolls & figures | Rubber Stamps |
| Seed Packets (to plant after Easter) | Bouncy Balls |
| Character Band-aids | Small containers of bubbles |
| Plastic Animals/Bugs | Erasers |
| Fruit Snacks | Playdough |
| Bracelets/Necklaces | |

Churchwide Rummage Sale – May 3-4

Donations are being accepted for the Churchwide Rummage sale. Please bring all items to the Northwest Portable.

Work Days: Wednesdays, April 10, 17 & 24 - 4:00 - 5:30 pm - sorting & pricing
Sunday, April 14 - 12:30-3:30 pm - sorting & pricing
Saturday, April 27 - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm - sorting & pricing
Sunday, April 28 - 12:30 - 3:30 pm - sorting & pricing
Thursday, May 2 - 9:00 am - 3:30 m - set out tables and all items to be sold
Friday, May 3 - 8:00 am - 6:00 pm - sell, sell, sell!
Saturday, May 4 - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm - sell, sell, sell (& clean up)

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday April 14 – Palm/Passion Sunday**
12:15 pm Artist Reception, Sherry Houpt — Box Gallery (12:15 – 1:30 pm)
12:15 pm 20/30 Ministry — Zoës Kitchen, 6025 E. Royal Lane, Suite 104, 75230
12:30 pm Second Sunday Youth Lunch & Work Day (12:30 – 3:30 pm)
- Wednesday April 17 – Mosaic**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall
Chicken, Spinach, Tomato Pasta, Salad, Texas Toast, Strawberry Cake
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children’s Choir/Missions — Children’s Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg— Vickrey Hall
Luke 3:1-38, The Baptism of Jesus
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9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship— Sanctuary
- Monday April 22**
Church Office closed
6:00 pm Women of the Church — Vickrey Hall (*childcare by reservation*)

The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

Prayer Cards

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the “pockets” on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests. These may be placed in the offering plate or handed to a minister or deacon of the week.

Deacons on Call

Blake Vickrey & Charlotte Sewell

Safety Shepherd – Ed Meier

Godly Play

Shannon Simmons & Blake Miller

Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: our children learn songs of joy and thanksgiving.

February 28, 2019 Financials

	YTD	Feb 2019
Budget/Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 108,055	\$ 54,028
Actual Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 151,980	\$ 36,180
Budget/Offerings & Revenues	\$ 117,622	\$ 59,011
Actual Offerings & Revenues	\$ 164,140	\$ 40,524
Expenses	\$ 122,682	\$ 60,450
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 41,458	(\$ 19,926)

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The Scripture this morning is Luke 19:28-40, which may be found on page 854 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples,³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

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