

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



—*Luke 9:62*

The Worship of God

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 30 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 is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness. We have no good apart from God. That makes our Lord's call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruits: love, joy, peace, patience, and the like. This is the path of life.

Voluntary

Maryanne Visconti Pfeffer

"Nimrod" from Enigma Variations — Edward Elgar

✠Call to Worship

Congregation

Jesus says, "Follow me."

**We would follow Jesus,
but first we have family matters to take care of.**

Jesus says, "If you will follow me,
you must be willing to leave the past behind you."

We would follow Jesus but...

Jesus said that anyone who keeps looking back
is of no use for the kingdom of God.

✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

God, you call us to go where Christ leads. Turn us from the ways of the world; guide us to fullness of joy in the Spirit, where bodies and souls rest secure; and grant us strength to follow the way of the cross, which frees us to love one another for the sake of all creation. Amen.

†Hymn 486

Congregation

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult — RESTORATION

Scripture Lesson

Trent Juarez

Luke 9:51-62 (Pew Bible page 843 of the New Testament)

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

Time of Silent Reflection

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.

†Prayer for the Nations

Harry Wooten & Congregation

Let us pray:

Come, Lord God, and rule the world: all the nations are yours. Let laws be just, let justice be impartial, let the rights of the poor and of children be defended, help us to rescue the innocent from the power of those who do evil; let the ignorant be taught, let corruption be purged, let righteousness prevail. Come, Lord God, and rule the world: all the nations are yours. Amen.

—based on Psalm 82

†Hymn 697

Congregation

This Is My Song — FINLANDIA

Call to Confession

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

Clothed with the mantle of baptism and protected by God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sins to God and to one another.

(continued)

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

Lord, we start out on the journey following your will, but from time to time we find ourselves looking back. We wonder if we have done the right thing. Would we have been better off seeking success and a name for ourselves? Forgive us for our weakness, we pray, and enable us to put our faith, our trust, our hope in you and you alone. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

Promise of Forgiveness

For freedom, Christ has set you free, do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become committed to one another.

We will follow the footsteps of Jesus Christ and live from this day forward in the promised realm of God. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

Follow Me — Roger C. Wilson

I heard him call,
“Come, follow,” that was all.
My gold grew dim,
My soul went after him,
I rose and followed, that was all.
Who would not follow
if they heard him call?
Him evermore I behold,
Walking in Galilee,
Through the cornfields waving gold,
in hamlet, or grassy wold,
By the shores of the beautiful sea.
He toucheth the sightless eyes,
Before him the demons flee;
To the dead he saith, “Arise!”
to the living, “Follow me!”

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ I Will Follow You...But ”

✠Hymn of Commitment 473

Congregation

Will You Come and Follow Me — KELVINGROVE

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

Betty Garrett

Offertory

Maryanne Visconti Pfeffer

Jesus Calls Us — in the setting of Schubert's Impromptu Op. 142, No. 2

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

✠Sending Forth

Michael Gregg & Congregation

Go forth from this place in the freedom of Christ and the transforming love of God.

We go forth from our time of worship in the love of God and the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

Relish the sweet taste of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, and self-control.

We go forth to love our neighbor as ourselves, and we will touch eternal life each and every day.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

Maryanne Visconti Pfeffer

La Rejouissance — George Frideric Handel

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Worship Leaders

Betty Garrett

Betty Garrett is a Certified Meeting Professional (CMP) with over 32 years' experience in the travel, hospitality and speaking industries. She is President/CEO of Garrett Speakers International, a boutique bureau, where she is responsible for the daily operations of the bureau, helping organizations grow their businesses with the RIGHT speaker. While her expertise is being the problem solver for her clients, she is a consultant, author and speaker. Betty was named *Meeting Partner of the Year* by National Speakers Association; received *MPI D/FW Supplier of the Year Award*; the *2006 Colleen Rickenbacher Leadership Award* and received Meeting Professionals International's coveted *Marion Kershner Leadership Award* in July 2006. She was inducted into the *MPI DFW Chapter Hall of Honor* and selected by the *Dallas Business Journal* as one of the 2018 "Women in Business" honorees.

Trent Juarez

Trent is from Richardson, Texas and is a recent graduate of Texas Christian University (TCU) with a Bachelor of Music Education (BME) degree. His primary instrument of study is percussion. Alongside music, his interests include philosophy and theology. He will begin pursuing a Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University this fall. He has found in Royal Lane Baptist Church a loving and welcoming community that is always looking forward!

Cover Art

Looking Back – The Man at the Plow by James Tissot, 1836-1902

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TOGETHER WITH THEIR FAMILIES

Shannon Elizabeth Simmons

AND

Blake Alexander Miller

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO SHARE IN THE CELEBRATION
OF THEIR MARRIAGE

SATURDAY, THE SIXTH OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN
AT FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH
DALLAS, TEXAS

Reception immediately following in Vickrey Hall

RSVP: WWW.BLAKEANDSHANNON.COM

No Regular Wednesday Evening Activities in July

July 8-12 — Vacation Bible School

July 14-17 — Youth Mission Trip

July 22-26 — Children's Camp

Scriptures for Next Sunday

2 Kings :1-14 Psalm 30

Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16 Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

Vacation Bible School – July 8-12
6:00 – 8:30 pm
Vickrey Hall

Children from Preschool through Grade 5 are invited to discover the wonder of God's universe at this year's Vacation Bible School.

Register online at <https://bit.ly/2W1etfc>



*Glory to God who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine
by God's power at work within us!*
Ephesians 3:20





The Gathering: July – September

The Gathering is our mission for North Dallas Shared Ministries. Each quarter, our congregation will focus on a few items to donate to North Dallas Shared Ministries. As always, all food and clothing donations will be appreciated, but we will try to focus on these most needed items. **NDSM cannot accept donations in glass containers.**

We would also like to provide bags for the families to use as they take their clothing and shoes home. You can drop off food and bags in the plastic NDSM bins in the Sunday school rooms, by the desk in Family Hall, and in the narthex of the Sanctuary.

July-September

Peanut Butter, Squeeze Jelly in Plastic Containers, Macaroni & Cheese

It's Summer Time — Temperatures are Rising and Contributions are Declining! Please help

- Catch up on your contributions
- Give a summertime extra gift or
- Use on-line or credit monthly giving. (Check with Janet on how to do on-line or credit/debit card giving)

Schedule for the Week

Wednesday July 3 – Mosaic

No Regular Wednesday Evening Activities

Thursday July 4

Church Office closed

Saturday July 6

4:00 pm Wedding of Shannon Simmons & Blake Miller — Sanctuary

Reception following service — Vickrey Hall

Sunday July 7 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Finance Committee — Library

9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery

9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1

10:55 am Morning Worship – Holy Communion offered — Sanctuary

12:15 pm Education Committee — Room 206

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

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

Paulette Harrison & Dennis Turnbull

Safety Shepherd – Charlotte Sewell

Godly Play

Dottie Brashear & Kelley Keith

Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: we support those in need through NDSM.

May 2019 Financials

| | YTD Actual | YTD Adjusted* |
|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| Revenues | \$ 315,526 | \$ 273,761 |
| Expenses | \$ 304,984 | \$ 304,984 |
| Surplus (Deficit) | \$ 10,542 | (\$ 31,223) |

*One-Time Pledges Amortized Monthly

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The Scripture this morning is Luke 9:51-62, which may be found on page 843 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

⁵¹When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶²Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God." (NRSV)

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