

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



“Praise of Martha”

Blessed are you, Martha, to whom love gave the confidence that opened your mouth.

By the fruit Eve’s mouth was closed while she was hidden among the trees.

Blessed is your mouth that sounded forth with love at the table at which God reclined. You are greater than Sarah who served the servants, for you served the Lord of all.

—Ephrem

The Worship of God

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 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!

This is a place to pause from the hustle and bustle of our days. This is a time to listen to the spoken word, enjoy the notes of a song, find joy in the face of our neighbor, and dwell in the Spirit of God.

What priorities, ways of doing things, and fears do we have that hinder our response to the gracious call of Christ in our lives?

What in our lives might we need to let go as we travel the way of discipleship?

Voluntary

Prelude from Celebrate Life — Beryl Red

David Weigle

✠Call to Worship

Come, all who are burdened with many tasks.

God provides a space for rest and renewal.

Come, all who have turned away from God.

God welcomes us with healing and forgiveness.

Come, all who desire to know Christ.

**Here we find unexpected grace
and unconditional love.**

Thanks be to God!

Congregation

†Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

Creator of all, we come from many places. Some of us come with heavy hearts. Some of us come with questions and few answers. Some of us come with joys bursting from our souls. Some of us come with long “to do” lists. Help us lay aside all that we carry with us and focus on you—the source of our lives, the one who fills our days with joy and love, the one who provides answers to our questions. Almighty God, we come this day to turn our minds and hearts toward you. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

†Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Lord, Grant Us Grace to Know the Time — ST. ANNE

Dialogue

Blair Wooten & Sarah Fuller Phillips

There Is a Time . . .

Scripture Lesson

Emma Watson

Luke 10:38-42 (Pew Bible page 845 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.

†Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

For All the Faithful Women — NYLAND

Call to Confession

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

God calls for our full-time devotion. In all that we think and do, God's will is to hold first place. Our worship is hollow and empty if it is only a small, separate compartment in our lives. No matter how good we are, all of us need a time of reorientation and reconciliation. That is why, together, we confess our sin.

(continued)

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

Take away our distractions, O God, so we may be confronted by your expectation of us. We realize that our busy striving after things has dulled our awareness of you. We have sought fulfillment in ways that deny you and hurt other people. Sometimes our success tramples the needy and brings ruin to the poor. Even our benevolence becomes self-serving. O God, we want to find our hope in the gospel. Help us, we pray. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

Promise of Forgiveness

Do you truly want to be forgiven? If that is your honest choice, experience that forgiveness now in the very core of your being. Know that in the mystery of Jesus Christ we are truly reconciled to God.

Let us continue in faith, not shifting from the hope of the gospel, but dwelling consciously in God's presence in the midst of all we do.

Hymn 694

Congregation

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive — MORNING SONG

Prayers of the People

Tim Schaefer & Congregation

We praise your abiding guidance, O God, for you sent us Jesus, our teacher and messiah, to model for us the way of love for the whole universe. We offer these prayers of love on behalf of ourselves and our neighbors, on behalf of your creation and our fellow creatures.

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:

Loving God, open our hearts to hear your word and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

Be Thou My Vision — arranged by Kinley Lange
cello, Drew Johnson

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ The One Thing: Serving or Sitting? ”

†Hymn of Commitment 302

Congregation

Come Away from Rush and Hurry — PROMISE

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

Brandon Green

Offertory

Drew Johnson & David Weigle

Vocalise — Rachmaninoff

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

†Sending Forth

Michael Gregg

Receive the blessing of God,

whose mercy knows no ends.

Receive the blessing of Christ,

who is patient and eager to give us words of life.

Receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit

who moves us and gives us power to do God's will.

Receive the blessing of the triune God,

and help us to share this blessing with others!

Go from this place in peace

to the place where God asks you to serve this week.

The blessings of God, our host and our guest,

bless you in all tasks that are yours.

Thanks be to God.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Postlude from Celebrate Life — Buryl Red

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No Wednesday Evening Activities

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 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.

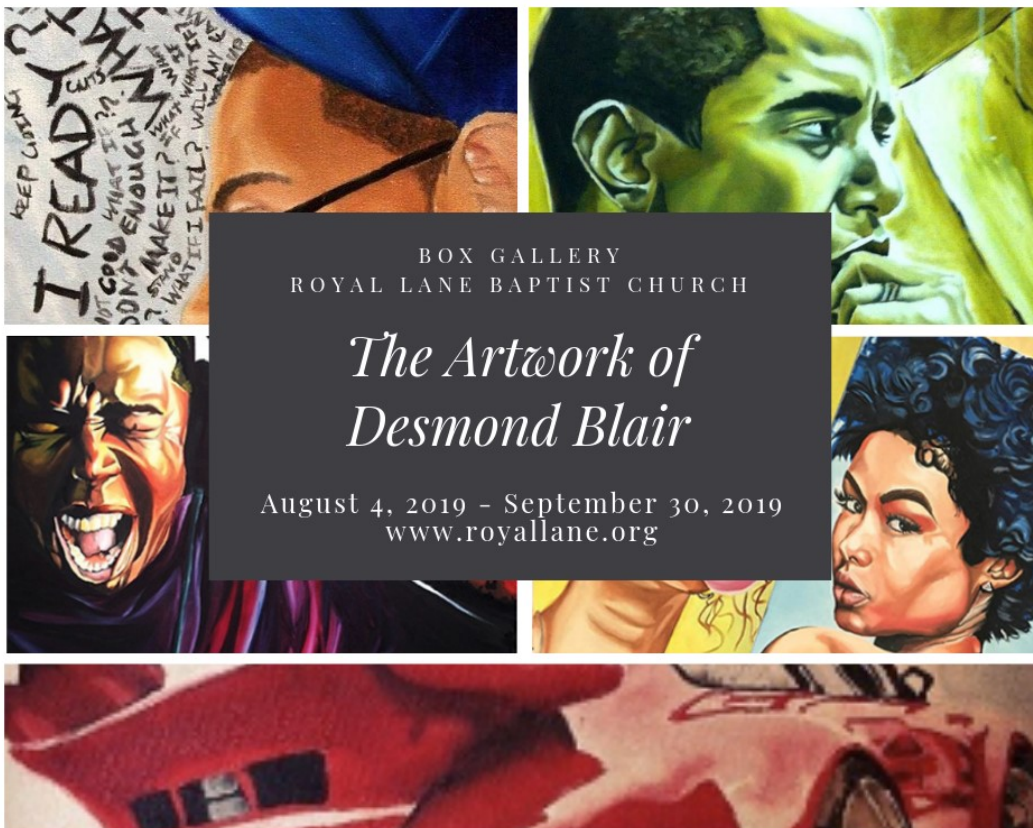
Called Church Conference Following Worship, Sunday, July 28

For the purpose of rescheduling the Quarterly Church Conference from July 24, 2019, to August 7, 2019. The Quarterly Church Conference will include the approval of the location of the Columbarium as presented by the Columbarium Team.

**Join Faith in Texas' Clergy for our very first
Theology of Justice event at
City Temple SDA Church – July 31, 2019, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
1530 Bonnie View Rd, Dallas, TX 75224**

At the forum we will address some of the major issues that are plaguing our cities from a multi-faith perspective. You will hear from a diverse group of clergy leaders about how our faith responds to the crisis that is before us in the areas of Affordable Housing, Immigration, and Mass Incarceration. There will be a lively discussion, an opportunity to ask your questions, and opportunities to network, gather more information, and learn how you can put your faith into action on the issues that concern you.

Registration Link: <https://faithintexas.salsalabs.org/theologyofjustice>



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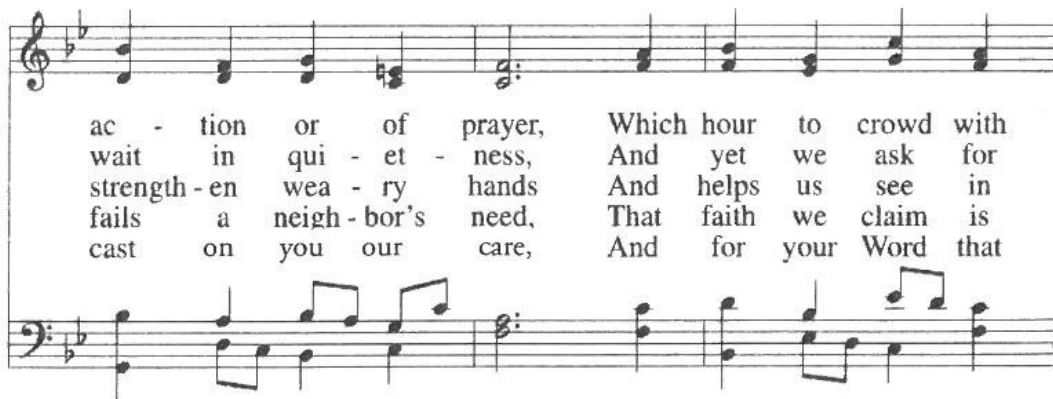
Blair's story has been featured in the Los Angeles Times, Jet Magazine, NBC 5 Midday, Dallas Morning News, CW33, and other various media outlets. Desmond is a true force of nature with his compelling message on how to be the master of the soul with divine passion. He is a transformer that will change your life once you hear his riveting and compelling story of life lessons that can be immediately applied.

Blair earned his degree from University of Texas at Dallas where he honed his traditional abilities and transferred them to digital media. He later returned to UTD where he received his Masters of Fine Arts in Art and Technology with a focus on the development of computer graphics and the study/analysis of emerging media trends. After graduation he found himself teaching at UTD and is now working for the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital in the Information Technology Department.

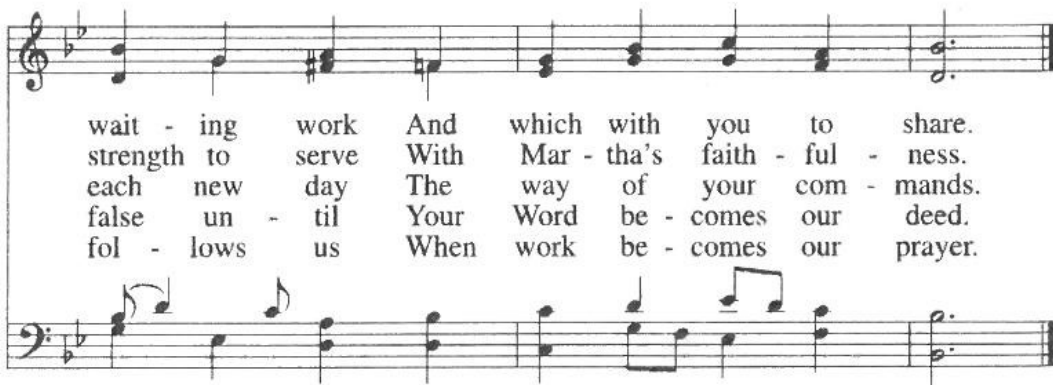
Lord, Grant Us Grace to Know the Time



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



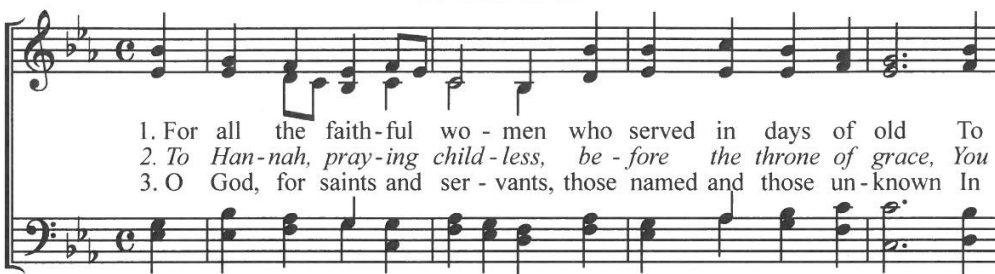
ac - tion or of prayer, Which hour to crowd with
wait in qui - et - ness, And yet we ask for
strength - en wea - ry hands And helps us see in
fails a neigh - bor's need, That faith we claim is
cast on you our care, And for your Word that



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.

For All the Faithful Women

NYLAND



1. For all the faith-ful wo - men who served in days of old To
2. To Han-nah, pray-ing child-less, be - fore the throne of grace, You
3. O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un-known In



you shall thanks be - giv - en, to all their sto - ry told. They
gave a son and called him to serve be - fore your face. Grant
whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone, We



served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave. To
us her per - se - ver - ance; Lord, teach us how to pray And
of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise That



you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.
trust in your de - liv' - rance when dark - ness hides our way.
faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

Worship Leaders

Brandon Green

Brandon is a graduate of R.L Turner High School and is currently a student at The University of Texas at Austin. He and his family have been members of Royal Lane since 2005. Brandon enjoys listening to music and playing the guitar in his spare time.

Sarah Fuller Phillips

Sarah joined RLBC in August of 2017 and is the proud mother of Rhona. She is a member of the Sanctuary Choir, a Leader of the 20/30 Young Adult Ministry, and serves in the Education Division.

Emma Watson

Emma has been attending at Royal Lane her whole life. She loves volleyball, her dog, musicals, and new school supplies. She was baptized at Royal Lane, and became a member in 2016.

Blair Wooten

Arriving at the age of 6, Blair is a longtime member of Royal Lane Baptist Church. Blair grew up in the Dallas area, and is a Dallasite, through and through. Blair is a 2016 graduate of William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology. He is a Senior Administrative Assistant in the Radiology MRI Research Department at UT Southwestern.

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Hymn Notes

Lord, Grant Us Grace to Know the Time

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For All the Faithful Women

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Schedule for the Week

Sunday July 21 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

12:15 pm Connections Care Group – Out to Lunch! — Cantina Laredo
6025 Royal Lane, Dallas, Texas 75230

Monday, July 22 through Friday, July 26

Children's Camp – Disciples Crossing, Athens, Texas

Monday July 22

10:00 am Columbarium Team — Library

Wednesday July 24

6:00 pm Personnel Committee — Library

Sunday July 28 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

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

10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary

Following Worship – Called Church Conference — Sanctuary

12:15 pm Program Council — Vickrey Hall

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

**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)

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

Ray Cox & Jeff Hammett

Safety Shepherd – Mike Gill

Godly Play

Connie Bechtol & Janet Schultz

Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: children have a safe place after school to grow in faith through YBC.

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 10:38-42, which may be found on page 845 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

³⁸Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But 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." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." (*NRSV*)

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