ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



Poverty is having nothing, wanting nothing, And possessing all things in the spirit of freedom. —Jacopone da Todi (c.1230-1306)

The Worship of God Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 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

This week's readings challenge us to place our trust entirely in God. God does provide, and often God provides for others through us. How does life under the reign of God empower us to live in trust that we will have enough, not only for ourselves but also to share with the community? The parable of the farmer challenges us to look at our lives and to consider our attitude towards our possessions. What in our lives is demanding our souls? God is rich in loving care for us. How do we become rich toward God? How do we love God back?

Opening Voluntary

David Weigle

Jerusalem, My Happy Home — arranged by George Shearing

*Call to Worship

Congregation

God calls us from the wilderness of our lives.

We cry out to God to save us from all that we fear.

God satisfies all who hunger, and gives water to all who thirst.

We hunger and thirst for God.

Come and give thanks, for God is good.

We come to worship the God who calls us.

₱Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

Generous God, in abundance you give us things both spiritual and physical. Help us to hold lightly the fading things of this earth and grasp tightly the lasting things of your kingdom, so that what we are and do and say may be our gifts to you. Through Christ, who beckons all to seek the things above, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Bigger Barns are What I Need – ABERYSTWYTH

Welcome to Worshipers

Tim Schaefer

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.]

Scripture Lesson

Melanie Ferguson

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

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

Time of Silent Reflection

Time for Young Disciples

Michael Gregg

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

His Eye is On the Sparrow — SPARROW

Offertory Prayer

Nancy Ferrell

Offertory

Choir

Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls — Z. Randall Stroope

Sermon

Michael Gregg

" Commodity or Community"

†Hymn of Commitment [see insert]

Congregation

As We Gather at Your Table — HOLY MANNA

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.

Communion All Believers

Christ be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give our thanks to the Holy One.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a right, good and joyful thing always and everywhere, to give thanks to you. As you gave our ancestors in faith food and water in the desert, even when they turned away from you, you have promised to free us from all divisions and to give us eternal life.

And so, with your creatures on earth and all the heavenly chorus, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Response

And so, in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be one in Christ, no longer divided by race or country or any other earthly sign. For all these gifts, we give our thanks and praise.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer (using trespasses)

The Receiving of Communion

Following the choir, please move by way of the center aisle to partake of communion by intinction* or separate cups.

Gluten free bread is available in the center of the paten. Return via the outside aisles.

Communion Meditation

Jayda & Jasmine Parrish

The Swan — Camille Saint-Saens

Passing of the Peace

Having clothed ourselves in Christ, let us greet one another with signs of peace. The peace of Christ be with you. . . The Peace of Christ be with you always.

†Sung Response

Refrain [see insert]

Congregation

His Eye is On the Sparrow — SPARROW
I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free,
For his eye is on the sparrow,
and I know he watches me.

* - intinction, the administering of the elements of Communion by dipping the bread in the cup and receiving both together.

Presentation of Decisions

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: Thanks be to God!

*****Sending Forth

Michael Gregg & Congregation

God cares for us with steadfast love. God's goodness fills and satisfies us.

We are rich in blessing, and we give God thanks.

Help us learn to be rich toward God, claiming the true wealth that comes from loving and serving God.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

There is a Happy Land — arranged by George Shearing

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As We Gather at Your Table

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Schedule for the Week

Wednesday	August 7 – Mosaic		
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202		
5:30 pm	Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall		
_	Frito Pie with Fixings, Salad, Coconut Cake		
6:00 pm	Youth Study Hall — Youth Basement		
6:00 pm	Wacky Wednesdays — Children's Building		
6:00 pm	Quarterly Church Conference — Vickrey Hall		
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary		
Thursday	August 8		
6:30 pm	Missions Committee — Library		
Friday	August 9		
10:00 am	Second Friday at NDSM — 2875 Merrell Rd, Dallas, TX 75229		
6:00 pm	Meet the Artist – Desmond Blair — Box Gallery (6:00 – 8:00 pm)		
Sunday	August 11 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost		
9:30 am	Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery		
9:45 am	August Sabbatical Sessions — Vickrey Hall		
	Meet Artist Desmond Blair		
9:45 am	Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms		
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary		
12:15 pm	Meet the Artist – Desmond Blair — Box Gallery (12:15 – 1:30 pm)		
12:15 pm	Second Sunday Youth Lunch		

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

Study for Wednesday Evening Quarterly Church Conference

Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

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

Bigger Barns Are What I Need



His Eye Is on the Sparrow



As We Gather at Your Table





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



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

Godly Play

Nancy Ferrell & Melanie Ferguson

Phil Keith & Mike Keith

Safety Shepherd – Jeff & Jennifer Hammett

When WE Give: we can offer a varied Sunday School program for all ages.

June 2019 Financials

	YTD Actual	YTD Adjusted*
Revenues	\$ 429,570	\$ 349,932
Expenses	\$ 366,840	\$ 366,840
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 62,730	(\$ 16,908)

^{*}One-Time Pledges Amortized Monthly

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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.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." 14But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" 15And 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." 16Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' 18Then 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. 19 And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' 20 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?' 21So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God." (NRSV)

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