

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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RLBC Church Profile

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If you were a member of this church for twenty-five years and had served on a copious number of committees, had sung in the choir, been a deacon, started a Sunday School class, and attended church regularly, would you expect that you knew our church well? Of course, you would! And that is exactly what my response would be a few months ago before I was asked by Terry Berrier to be part of a team of four who would create a new church profile for the prospective pastoral candidates who we're soon interviewing.

You may have received a phone call from me as I called over 100 people to update our church membership list. I also helped to write a few revised sections and edited the final draft. Shannon Miller, even in her final stages of pregnancy (!), compiled the interesting church survey and then helped to solicit 137 responses—an amazing feat. Scott Bryant worked assiduously to revise several of the sections and then competently put together the entire document—complete with new pictures. And Margaret Darden, our excellent leader, filled in so many of the gaps as she ensured that all the information we needed was collected and inspired our team to keep progressing. I am not one who relishes committee work, but I told our team several times that if every committee worked as efficiently and harmoniously like ours did, I sure would say "yes" to committee work more often!

We have SO much of which to be proud. In addition to reading the interesting responses to the church survey questions, I learned about our rich history and the many activities that occur each month. I learned about our financial history and how our church is governed. I learned about parts of our church that I was so blind to but am grateful for, especially at this important chapter in our church history.

Now, as we are at the beginning of a new and exciting chapter, you may want to know more about who we've been, who we are, and what we hope to continue to be. To do this, simply open the Church Profile link on the About Us section of our church website and read away; I suspect that you will be happy you did.

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Catch Up Request

Dear Royal Lane Friends,

There are many things occupying our time during these summer months, and typically, it is a time when the tempo of church tithing slows down. That is certainly the case right now, and even more so this year.

With buildings and equipment as old as they are, many things are breaking, including items like the air conditioners, which are very expensive to replace. Lots of maintenance issues cannot be dealt with because of the lack of available funds. Percy Parrish is doing an incredible job with our campus, but he and the Properties Committee can only do as much as the budget will allow.

The Program Council is taking a serious look at ways to curb spending and increase revenue. Patricia McNutt, our Church Treasurer, is keeping everyone updated on our revenue and expenditures. And soon, you will be receiving your midyear pledge statements.

So that we can continue to meet payroll and maintain our programming, now would be a great time to get caught up on our pledges, and even give in advance if possible. I hope you will join with me to see how you can help Royal Lane get back on stable financial ground.

With much gratitude,

Jerry Barrier

Terry Berrier, Chair of Deacons

Save the Date – August 14th! Blessing of the Backpacks!

Join us in worship on August 14 at 10:55am as we engage together in blessing backpacks of youth and children as everyone heads back to school. This will also be a time when our congregation can celebrate the Sunday School teachers and general educators with prayers and blessings as they head into a new year to make a lasting impact on children and youth in our church and community.

Wednesday Night Dinners are Coming Back!

Midweek Dinner at Royal Lane is returning August 24th, and Carly Manson, our fabulous cook, is looking forward to being back with us! Plans are being made for some relational, intergenerational, and sensational activities to kick-off the return of Wednesday Night Dinners. Here is our modified schedule:

5:30 pm Dinner

6:00 pm Announcements, Prayers, Birthdays

6:15 – 7:00 pm Program

You can help by making donations to restock the kitchen with some staple items. Copy the link or click on the QR code below which will take you to the SignUpGenius website to sign up for specific items. After signing up, you may bring the items Sunday mornings to the Sanctuary Narthex, or to the Church Office during the work week. Items are requested by August 21st. *Please...only bring newly purchased items, and brands you trust.*

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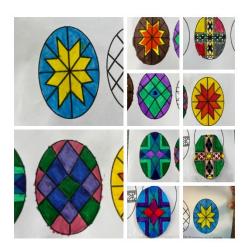
Coming Events

Sunday July 24 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 9:45 am Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building 10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1) Morning Worship, Rick Carpenter, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel 10:55 am 8:00 pm Congregational Affiliation Committee — Zoom Monday July 25 3:00 pm Building Action Task Force — Library Tuesday July 26 7:00 pm Pastor Search Committee Wednesday July 27 3:30 pm Holy Rollers — Vickrey Hall (3:30 – 5:30 pm) 6:15 pm Wacky Wednesdays No Wednesday Evening Activities Saturday July 30 2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom July 31 - Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building 9:45 am 10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1) 10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel 12:15 pm Lunch Bunch – Zoe's Kitchen (NE quadrant, Preston & Royal) Monday August 1 Building Action Task Force — Library 3:00 pm Tuesday August 2 Pastor Search Committee 7:00 pm August 3 - Mosaic Wednesday 3:30 pm Holy Rollers — Vickrey Hall (3:30 – 5:30 pm) 5:30 pm Bring Your Own Dinner — Vickrey Hall (Drinks provided) Midweek Program with Steve Graham — Vickrey Hall/Zoom 6:15 pm 6:15 pm Wacky Wednesdays - Pool Party Finale 7:00 pm Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary 7:15 pm The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

How to Connect

"Like" RLBC on Facebook or "Follow" RLBC on Twitter

See the Weekly Mosaic, Weekend Update 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.



Day Two at Children's Camp!

Day Two of Children's camp is off to a fantastic start. Here are some examples of the Ukrainian wax egg art the kids created today in our missions rotation. We learned about some amazing missionary work happening in Kiev to support children in foster care.











First Day at Children's Camp!







Deacons of the Week

July 24

Alan Greider Sandy Washington

July 31

Sarah Fuller Phillips **Barrett Wooten**

Midweek Programs will resume Wednesday August 3, 6:15 p.m. Vickrey Hall

Join us for Fellowship at 5:30 pm. Bring your Own Meal (Drinks Provided)

Don't forget! **Restock the Kitchen! Midweek Dinners** Resume August 24!!!



In the Box Gallery

Darla Bostick

Gallery open by appointment 10-4, weekdays, 10-5 Wednesdays

To change mail or email preferences for *The Mosaic*, contact Barbara Merry, 214-361-2809, ext. 10 or bmerry@royallane.org.

Scriptures of the Week

July 24

Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85 Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19) Luke 11:1-13

July 31

Hosea 11:1-11 Psalm107:1-9, 43 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

May 2022 Financials

YTD Actual

\$305,081 Revenues* \$327,798 **Expenses** Surplus (Deficit) (\$22,717)

*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/

Giving menu includes: General Fund The Lowe Scholarship Fund Columbarium

Happy Birthday!

July	
Jeff Dobbs	19
Cory Fleenor	19
Sandra Irwin	19
Bruce Luedke	20
Carson Gill	22
Turner Wooten	22
Forrest McKinney	23
Paulette Harrison	24
Jordan Stubblefield	24
Rhona Phillips	26
Andrea Nuss	27
Blakely Anne Ragsdale	28
August	
Tessa Granowski	1
Patricia McNutt	1
Angela Hanes	
Laurence Schultz	



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Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm

Christian Education: Saturday & Sunday

Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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