



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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The Mosaic

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Royal Lane Baptist Church Stewardship 2023



Who are we...?

We are diverse people united in Christ.

Who are we?

We are an inclusive, multi-generational community of believers in God as revealed in Jesus Christ. We are a vibrant, welcoming, and affirming mosaic of ethnicities, racial identities, sexual orientations, gender identities, and socioeconomics. We affirm the sacredness, dignity, and equality of every person. We are a progressive and autonomous Baptist church valuing the freedom to minister alongside other groups, both Christian and non-Christian.

Who are we...(becoming)?

We are seeking to continue to be a catalyst for love and light in our city and beyond as we journey to:

- be an anti-racist congregation
- advocate for and fully support the LGBTQIA+ community
- boldly support racial and social justice efforts

As we celebrate our 70th anniversary and begin our eighth decade we encourage you to be a part of this journey and by prayerfully considering your stewardship through the tithing and offering of your time, talents, and financial resources.

The 2023 stewardship campaign will take place throughout September. You will be invited to share a word that represents who Royal Lane is to you which will be added to a collective word cloud. We will also offer an opportunity to gather following worship on Sunday, September 11th for fellowship where each division will share the highlights of their ministries.

This is who we are and who we are becoming...as we ***Celebrate Our Legacy and Commit to Our Future***, we ask that you complete your 2023 commitment card by the end of September.

Henri Nouwen offers an impactful way for us to think towards the stewardship campaign in the coming weeks:

"When we seek to raise funds, we are not saying, 'Please, could you help out because lately it's been hard.' Rather, we are declaring, 'we have a vision that is amazing and exciting. We are inviting you to invest yourself through the resources that God has given you - your energy, your prayers, and your money - in the work which God has called us.'" — The Spirituality of Fund-Raising

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for September 21 & October 8, 2022.
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*

Wednesday Evenings (and More) are Back in Vickrey Hall



Pictures from our First Wednesday Night Back – August 24!

**Since this time, we have gathered for Q&A on August 28 with Elijah Zehyoue
Fifth Wednesday Hymn Sing on August 31
Come, Join the Fellowship!**

Rally Day – September 11!

2023 Pledge Cards will drop in the mail to you soon and Rally Day to kick off the Pledge Drive for 2023 is coming up this Sunday. Be sure to put September 11 on your calendar to make your pledge and gather for fellowship following worship where each division will share the highlights of their ministries.

Women of the Church - September 13, 2022, 6:30 pm

Our first event of the year! Join us in Vickrey Hall as we catch up with each other with our traditional Salad Supper. We will reminisce about our Spring, 2022, women's retreat and get a preview of our Fall Retreat with Christine Nicolette-Gonzales.

If you have pictures from the Spring Retreat, send a few of your best to Christin Lavery.

Coming Events

Sunday	September 11 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 am	Deacon's Meeting — Youth Portable (8:00 am, childcare – Vickrey Hall)
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Vickrey Hall
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:10 am	Non-Traditional Class — Room 212
10:55 am	Morning Worship with Reann Tiemann, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
12:15 pm	Rally Day – Cunningham Arcade & Box Gallery
2:00 pm	Safety Sub-Committee — Library
Monday	September 12
1:30 pm	Inurnment, Clay Williams — Restland Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas
3:00 pm	Building Action Task Force — Library
Tuesday	September 13
6:30 pm	Women of the Church Salad Supper — Vickrey Hall
7:00 pm	Pastor Search Committee
Wednesday	September 14
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Youth Portable (Portable 1) (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
6:15 pm	Midweek Talks with Dean Dickens — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Thursday	September 15
6:30 pm	Publicity Outreach Committee — Zoom
7:30 pm	Children's Committee & SS Teachers — Zoom
Saturday	September 17
	Third Saturday Youth Activity — Sister Grove Farm
9:00 am	Hope Supply Volunteer Day — Hope Supply (9:00 – 11:00 am)
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
Sunday	September 18 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Vickrey Hall
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:10 am	Non-Traditional Class — Room 212
10:55 am	Morning Worship, Doug Watts, Guest Preacher — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
12:30 pm	Program Council — Vickrey Hall
2:00 pm	Racial Justice Committee — Vickrey Hall
Monday	September 19
3:00 pm	Building Action Task Force — Library
Tuesday	September 20
7:00 pm	Pastor Search Committee
Wednesday	September 21 – Mosaic
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Youth Portable (Portable 1) (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
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The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

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How to Connect

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.

Children's Education is Happening on Sunday Morning at 9:45 am in Vickrey Hall



**And our Children are
Serving as Acolytes**



Save the Date for the first Women of the Church Fall Retreat

**Saturday, October 1st
9am-3pm...Sister Grove Farm
This is Us: Building our Community**

If you still haven't registered for the fall WOC retreat, please make sure your spot is reserved now, as there is only room for 50 blessed women! Come learn more about some fabulous women in our church community who span seven generations! Do you know what brings them joy? How you can pray for them? How they stay young? The seven-decade speaker line-up: Kenna Curry, Sarah King, Jill Hill, Melanie Ferguson, Leslie Cechan, Patsy Meier, and four amazing women in their 80s (Anne Sewell, Margaret Darden, DeeDee Young, and Barbara Gunnin)!

Breakfast, lunch, and communion are included. Write a check for \$40 to the church with Women's Retreat in the subject area or call Janet in the church office at 214-361,2809, ext. 11, with your credit card information. Or pay online at royallane.org/give - 2022 October Women's Retreat.



September 4 Church Conference Vote Results

Dear Royal Lane Membership,

Following the Sunday, September 4, special conference and election, the Tabulations Committee reported that the majority of votes were in favor of Elwanda Edwards and Becky Fuller to serve on the Member Resource Committee. Elwanda will serve through October of this year, and Becky could possibly serve through October of 2023.

Terry Berrier

Wednesday Night Programming

For the Wednesday nights of September, our former member Dr. Dean Dickens will be our presenter. Dean and Karr La were Royal Lane members for many years. He currently keeps his membership in the churches where he is doing Intentional Interim ministries. Two years ago, he was recognized as Texas Baptists outstanding Intentional Interim minister.

Dean and Karr La spent 28 years as field missionaries, 15 years teaching preaching (Southwestern and the Philippine Baptist Seminary) and pastoring. The last 12 of those years (while they were at Royal Lane) they supervised field missionaries all around the world. Now retired, each year he still does three or four "Preaching in Culture" workshops usually in developing world countries, focusing on illiterate and semi-literate men and women leading churches.

Dean and Karr La are long-time friends of Royal Lane, and we are looking forward to having them join us for fellowship! Dean will begin these Wednesday nights talking with us about the normal traumas churches face in transition times: "Paul and Barny: What Do We Do Now?"

Thank You for Re-Stocking the Kitchen!

Thank you to everyone who donated spices, oils, flours, money, and other items to restock our kitchen. This project was very successful, and Carly Manson, our cook was so grateful to have everything ready for her! It has always been true that Baptists love to gather together to eat, and this project proves it! Your generosity is such a blessing. Thank you.

Hope Supply Volunteer Day Saturday September 17, 9am -11am

Please join us at Hope Supply Saturday morning September 17th from 9am to 11am as we repackage diapers for vulnerable babies in our beloved community. Hope Supply delivers 55,000 diapers to families experiencing homelessness each week, and they rely on people like us to help prepare these diapers for delivery. We need 15 volunteers, and all ages are welcome. Please sign up through the link below or contact Charlotte Sewell.



September Missions Project for Cornerstone Baptist Church

Donate new or gently used men's pants/slacks/jeans during the month of September for Cornerstone Baptist Church. Donation bins located in the Narthex and Vickrey Hall.

Questions? Contact Charlotte Sewell.



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Nevertheless She Preached Annual Conference 2022

Nevertheless She Preached invites you to Austin, Texas, September 18-20 for our annual event where we will be welcoming some truly incredible women to the stage: Dr. Christena Cleveland, Dr. Brittney Cooper, Karen Gonzalez, Rev. Aurelia Dávila Pratt, Rev. Dr. Pamela Lightsey, Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis, Lenore Three Stars, Kat Armas, and Rev. Kanisha Billingsley.

This is a lineup you don't want to miss! You can register today at nsp2022.eventbrite.com. Nevertheless She Preached is a grassroots organization that works to empower people of all genders to dismantle patriarchal structures by elevating the voices of leaders on the margins.

Unlike other Christian-based conferences out there, we exclusively center the voices of women and queer folx, especially women of color.

We are open to everyone—men and women, members of clergy, seminarians, community organizers, faith leaders, non-profit workers, and church-goers as well as church-escapees who are healing from church hurt. While our origins are Christian, we aim to be interfaith in our approach, and we welcome anyone who cares deeply about equity and justice.

Learn more at neverthelessshepreached.com or follow us on Facebook and Instagram @NeverthelessShePreached.

Deacons of the Week

September 11

Jamie Luckett

Donna Wood-Martin

September 18

Blake Miller

Cathy Walling

Scriptures of the Week

September 11

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Psalm 14

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

September 18

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Psalm 79:1-9

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

Midweek Program 6:15 p.m. Wednesday in Vickrey Hall & via Zoom

September 14 & 21

Midweek Talks with

Dean Dickens

"Paul and Barny:

What Do We Do Now?"

Join us for a Fellowship Meal

at 5:30 pm.

Announcements, Birthday Celebrations
and Prayer Concerns at 6:00 pm

July 2022 Financials

YTD Actual

Revenues* \$436,062

Expenses \$456,290

Surplus (Deficit) (\$ 20,228)

*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

2022 October Women's Retreat

Pardon Our Dust - September 12-22

Portions of the Adult Education Classrooms
will be remodeled to accommodate the
needs of Royal Lane's Children's Ministry.

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

Happy Birthday!

September

John Helms.....	7
Alan Greider.....	8
Garland Hamic.....	12
Martha Box.....	14
Lisa Gill.....	18
Janina Washington.....	18
Kelley Keith.....	19
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Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm

Christian Education: Saturday & Sunday

Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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