



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Showing Up

The Christian Community Development Association was in Dallas this year. Last week, a thousand fellow organizers and activists gathered downtown to spend a couple of days worshiping, networking, and learning from experienced practitioners. The CCDA is a network of Christians committed to seeing people and communities holistically restored through economic, racial, and social justice. The first phrase on their website is, "Many of us have a deep sense that the world is not as it should be." With many communities broken by poverty, racism, and violence, I think their assessment is correct. It was a hopeful experience to see many young and passionate evangelicals working to bring compassion, empowerment, and wholeness to divided and hurting cities.

One of the workshops I attended was called "Organizing Your Church to Engage Your Community." This popular workshop crammed 68 people in a room with a posted sign that informed us of a maximum occupancy of 41. The teacher was a practitioner from Brooklyn who lives in an underprivileged neighborhood and ministers in a vibrant and involved church. His main question for us was "Where is the church?" Where is the church when children are gunned down in our streets and schools? Where is the church when houses don't have clean water? Where is the church when neighbors don't have electricity? Communities need for people in the church to show up.

The presenter referenced the books of John M. Perkins, an activist and author, who said that home is where we invest in our own future, but also in the futures of our neighbors and neighborhoods. I know that many of us consider Royal Lane home. And if this church is indeed our home, we must do more than invest in ourselves. We must show up. We must empower our neighbors and bring hope to our communities. To do that, we need to consider two questions: What are you good at that you can give to the city to make it a better place and what is our neighborhood's perception of Royal Lane? I think if we truly ponder those questions we might be surprised, but also spurred to action. So, let us show up and be the spirit-filled people that God can use to improve and change our city.

Pastor Mike

I am pleased to announce the duly elected Royal Lane Baptist Church deacons. This class will serve from November 1, 2019-October 31, 2022. New deacons will be ordained October 20 during the Sunday Worship Service.

Please pray for our new class of deacons:

Terry Berrier, Alan Greider, Blake Miller, Sarah Fuller Phillips, Cathy Walling, and Amy Ward-Meier

Rebecca Rempert, Deacon Chair

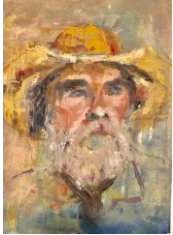
*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for November 6 & 20, 2019.
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*

In the Box Gallery

Artist Receptions:

Friday, October 25, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Sunday, November 3, 12:15 to 1:15 pm

Randy Box is the current artist exhibiting in the Box Gallery. Randy is one of our own Royal Lane Baptist Church family members! Not only is he the son of Martha and Steve Box, he is an “alumnus” of Cookie Stokes’ Sunday School class! Randy began expressing his artistic talents in 2012 and still studies at the Bonny Leibowitz’s Studio in Richardson, Texas.



Randy is committed to using his exhibit at the Box Gallery to extend the ministry of the Oasis Center in Dallas, Texas. Oasis Center provides services for first time youth offenders. He has listed minimum contributions for the pieces for sale in the Gallery. Please, consider going above the minimum amounts to support this important ministry. All proceeds from sales will be donated to Oasis Center (80%) and RLBC Faith & Arts (20%).

Join us for the evening reception in the Box Gallery on Friday, October 25, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and the afternoon reception on Sunday, November 3, 2019 from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Fall Festival

October 27, 4:00 - 6:30 pm,
RLBC Courtyard Parking Lot

Help fill those trunks with treats! It's time to bring individually wrapped candy or individual non-candy treats (crackers, cookies, fruit snacks, small prizes, etc.). Collection baskets are located in the Education hallway (under the billboard) and in the Narthex.

Volunteer today to help with Set-up, Treats, Games, Clean-up,
Decorate a Trunk or MORE!
<https://bit.ly/2mDXtkm>



Join the Group!



Do you want to be a part of the new Pastor's Book Group? The PBG is an informal time to discuss significant books about faith and culture. We will meet for one hour every Tuesday at noon in the Library and read popular authors like Brené Brown, Father Gregory Boyle, Rachel Held Evans, Anne Lamott, Diana Butler Bass, and Atul Gawande. The amount of reading will not be strenuous as the discussion will focus on 2-3 chapters a week. The group will utilize questions and prompts to facilitate energetic discussion. Whether coming from work or from home, please bring a lunch to eat during the gathering. This is a great

opportunity to read many New York Times Best Sellers while having challenging and stimulating conversation with church and community friends. Join us for laughter, learning, and lively discussion all during your lunch break. The PBG will begin on November 5 with *Tattoos on the Heart* by Father Gregory Boyle. Please contact me at mgregg@royallane.org to let me know if you are interested in joining us.

Coming Events

Pumpkin Patch Hours – Through October 31

Saturday: 8:00 am – 7:00 pm , Sunday: 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Monday – Friday: 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Sunday October 20 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost / Bread for the World Sunday

9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Royal Welcome Class — Library
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship – Ordination of Deacons — Sanctuary

Wednesday October 23

3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner – Lasagna, Salad, Texas Toast, Dessert [tbd] — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Quarterly Church Conference — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children's Activities — Children's Building
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

Friday October 25

6:00 pm Artist Reception — Box Gallery (6:00 – 8:00 pm)

Sunday October 27 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Royal Welcome Class — Library
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary
4:00 pm Fall Festival — Courtyard Parking Lot & Vickrey Hall

Wednesday October 30

3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner – Chili, Cornbread, Salad, Chocolate Cake — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children's Activities — Children's Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg: Luke 9:28-62 — Vickrey Hall
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

Saturday November 2

8:00 am Men of the Church — Breakfast and Pumpkin Patch Break Down / Clean Up (8:00 – 11:00 am)
Breakfast at Maple Leaf Diner, 12817 Preston Rd, Dallas, TX 75230
Deacons Retreat— Dalton Gang

Sunday November 3 – All Saints Sunday / Daylight Savings Time Ends

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 Artist Reception — Box Gallery
6:00 pm Connections Care Group — Home of the Binders

Monday November 4

6:00 pm Education Committee — Room 206

Tuesday November 5

12:00 pm Preacher's Book Group — Library
1:00 pm Missions Committee — Library

Wednesday November 6 – Mosaic

3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children's Activities — Children's Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg: Luke 10:1-24 — Vickrey Hall
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

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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November 3, All Saints' Sunday

On Sunday, November 3, 2019, we will honor the saints of Royal Lane Baptist Church who have passed away since November 1 of 2018. If you have a family member you would like to honor in this service, please notify the church office, 214-361-2809, by Tuesday, October 29 for listing in the Order of Worship. Include name, date of death, and your relationship to this person. We have gathered many names for this list. Please check with the church office to make sure we have included your family member.



Thank You Notes

Thank you!

This note is to thank Royal Lane Baptist Church for their love and support and the wonderful service and reception honoring Maebelle Raiza. I received several comments that the choir was amazing and Michael's message reminded us of why we loved Maebelle so much.

A special thank you goes to Michael for his help in the hospital emergency room. He stayed with me from shortly after noon to well into the night providing comfort and advice. He is a very special person! And Harry and Janet, thank you for all of your help organizing things and preparing the service. You did an amazing job and it is much appreciated. Since Maebelle organized things for past receptions, I know how much effort is required and a big thank you goes to those that made the reception such a nice event.

Thanks to all for attending and expressing their condolences. Maebelle was truly blessed by having such a wonderful Church with so many caring friends.

*Sincerely,
Rex (Jerry) Raiza and family*

The newly elected Deacon Officers are:

Deacon Chair - Paulette Harrison
Deacon Vice Chair - Charlotte Sewell
Deacon Secretary - Karen Simmons

Quarterly Church Conference – October 23

We will vote on proposed Bylaw changes at the quarterly church conference on October 23 that have been approved by the Deacon Board. The new Leadership Roster will also be presented for vote.

Living Out Love Artists

In the September 18 & October 2 issues of the Mosaic we included pieces of artwork done by the RLBC children as part of the Stewardship Drive. This issue, we feature the remaining seven artists: Harper, Turner, Cilla, Lillie, Bea, Jude, and Graham.

Thank you to all our artists for contributing their talent to the Stewardship Drive.



Deacons of the Week

October 20

Scott Bryant [972] 814-4013

Margaret Darden [469] 426-8428

October 27

Percy Parrish [214] 457-6613

Paulette Harrison [214] 577-8058

November 3

Garey Wisdom [214] 682-1531

Melanie Ferguson [310] 927-1341

Scriptures of the Week

October 20

Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

October 27

Joel 2:23-32 Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

November 3

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

Midweek Menu

Wednesday, October 23

Lasagna, Salad, Texas Toast, Dessert [tbd]

Wednesday, October 30

Chili, Cornbread, Salad, Chocolate Cake

Wednesday, November 6

[menu - tbd]

Midweek Service 6:15 p.m. Wednesday in Vickrey Hall

October 23
Quarterly Church Conference

October 30

Bible Study
Luke 9:28-2

November 6

Bible Study
Luke 10:1-24
Join us for a Fellowship Meal
at 5:30 pm.

Happy Birthday!

October

Jennifer Maddox	18
Jasmine Parrish	18
Becky Fuller	19
Shelley Mulry	20
Melissa Walker-Luckett	20
Sadie Watson	20
Wynne Amerson	21
Barbara Gunnin	21
Robert Putman	21
Libba Studdard	25
Susie Leinneweber	26
Carla Gaylor	27
Sheila Calhoon	29
Fred Binder	30
Steve Box	31
Cathy Webb	31

November

Tonyia Dotson	2
Cheryl Robinson	2
Marcia Parrish	4
Terry Jones	5
Grace Watson	5



In the Box Gallery

thru November 30

Randy Box

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



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Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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