

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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The Mosaic

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A Prayer for 2020

Garland Hamic, Carol Barger, Bill Elliott, and I attended the Faith in Texas Annual Meeting on Monday evening at Communities Foundation of Texas. Staff, leadership, lay people, and clergy from Faith in Texas and partnering congregations gathered to celebrate the good accomplishments of 2019 and prepare for the work of 2020. Faith in Texas laid out their vision for how they will participate with civic leaders and partner with congregations to impact underserved and marginalized people and communities.

At the close of the evening, I asked my fellow clergy members to gather around all of the Faith in Texas partners in order to say a prayer over them and bless them. This is the prayer I wrote for the occasion. May it also be a prayer for Royal Lane Baptist Church in this new and purposeful year as we seek to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God.

God of all things,

We should not merely pray for an end to injustice,

You have called us to speak words of change and challenge.

God of all names.

We should not simply come together and have meetings,

You have called us to persistently and passionately organize for peace.

God of all nations,

We should not only seek ways to end starvation,

You have called us to diligently distribute our resources to feed the world.

God of all races.

We should not simply see the places of prejudice and pain,

You have called us to train our eyes to see the good in everyone and to lovingly share power.

God of all people.

We should not merely be persons who want to end the disease of oppression and suppression,

You have called us to use our minds and our actions to bring healing to the systems, schemes, and structures of this world.

Therefore, grant us the vision to see the world as you see it, a world where all people have dignity and worth, the weak are protected, the hungry and poor have more than enough, and everyone, of all races, classes, identities and labels, live in harmony, equity, and peace.

We pray to you, O God, for strength, determination, and stamina as we do the work of justice – as we share stories, improve lives, grow people, and change this city. Send us forth from this place to do, in addition to pray, to become, in addition to wish. Bless each soul in this room with courage, this day and every day, as we go in peace and as we go in power.

Amen.

Pastor Mike

The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for January 8 & 22, 2020. The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.



Christmas Eve Service Tuesday, December 24, 6:00 pm Sanctuary

Carols, Candlelight, & Communion (childcare provided)

Covenantal Celebration of Holy Marriage

Join members and ministers of Royal Lane Baptist Church as we attend a Covenantal Celebration of Holy Marriage at First United Methodist Church Dallas on December 29th at 6:30 PM. Dr. Andy Stoker and the leadership of First United Methodist Church recognize the marriage of all people, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation. As a welcoming and affirming Baptist Church, Royal Lane stands in solidarity with First United Methodist and celebrates with them as they acknowledge and encourage all married couples.

Following the service will be a reception where partner affirming churches will offer words of support and thanksgiving.

Further Information:

Free parking in Bryan Tower Garage [2001 Bryan St.]
Worship Service in FUMC Sanctuary (begins at 6:30 p.m.)
Reception in Fiedler Atrium (begins at ~7:20 p.m.)
Eventbrite invitation: https://tinyurl.com/ubnr6xl



Coming Events

Sunday	December 22 – Fourth Sunday of Advent
9:00 am	Children's & Youth Steering Committee — Library
9:30 am	Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am	Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary
Tuesday	December 24 – Christmas Eve
	Church Office Closed
6:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service – Carols, Candlelight & Communion — Sanctuary (childcare provided)
Wednesday	December 25 – Christmas Day
	Church Office Closed
	No Wednesday Evening Activities
Sunday	December 29 – First Sunday after Christmas
9:30 am	Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am	Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary
Wednesday	January 1 – New Year's Day
	Church Office Closed
	No Wednesday Evening Activities
Sunday	January 5 – Epiphany Sunday / The Gathering
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	Education Committee — Room 206
12:15 pm	e360 Training — Vickrey Hall
Tuesday	January 7
12:00 pm	Pastor's Book Group — Vickrey Hall
1:00 pm	Missions Committee — Library
Wednesday	January 8 – 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
6:00 pm	Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg — Vickrey Hall (6:00 – 6:30 pm) Luke 11:1-32, The Lord's Prayer and Beelzebul
6:15 pm	Children's Activities— Children's Building
6:30 pm	e360 Training — Vickrey Hall
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
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Faith & Film "Owned: Tale of Two Americas" Sunday, January 26, 2:30 – 4:30 pm Royal Lane Baptist Church – Vickrey Hall

Join us for a screening of this award-winning documentary followed by discussion about fair housing facilitated by leaders of our ministry partner, Faith in Texas.

Register online (free registration)
Tickets by Eventbrite — https://tinyurl.com/vm2j2bv



Poinsettia Gifts

Poinsettias Given in Memory of:

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by Doug & Susie Leinneweber

Arnswald

Maebelle Raiza

by Jan & Tex Quesada

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Michael & Jim RainboltBailey

Maebelle Raiza, Elizabeth Raiza Matti Hoover

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Blake Bohannan, our children
Shirley Bohannan & Louise Finke,
our mothers
by Clay Bohannan,
Faith Julian

Shirley Bohannan by Holly Bohannan

The Bohannan family
The Cannon family
The Kohutek family
My church family
by Shirley Bohannan

Lily & Todd Brashear
Deana & Becky Jeter
Our Royal Lane family
Laura, Tim, Mike & Harry
by Dottie Brashear

Sheryl Gambill by Darlene Carpenter

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Jerry R. Thomas
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Percy Parrish Family by Kathy & Martha Hatcher

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Owen & Claire Keith Bill & Mary Ruth Keith Bob & Ruth Dickson by Pam & Mike Keith Martha & Kathy Hatcher
by Doug & Susie Leinneweber

Amy, Aaron, Aidan, AJ, & Avery

Stewart

Amber, Kevin, Luke, &
Rutledge Seymour

James Walker

Zadie Luckett
by Jamie & Melissa Walker-Luckett

Formations Sunday School Class

RLBC Chancel Choir
by Donna Wood-Martin &

Aubrey, Adam, Mary Katherine, & Mac Connatser
Kurt, Amy, Allie, Kendall, & Ben Meachum
Royal Lane Staff
by Bettie Meachum

Scott Martin

Kurt & Amy Meachum, Kendall, Allie & Ben Aubrey& Adam, Connatser, Mary Katherine & Mac Louann Bradford Suzanne M. Duvall by Wayne Meachum

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Shirley James by Jack & Judy Mullinax Kristine Ruddle & the Prayer Place SS Class
The great leadership team at Royal Lane
My four children & two grandchildren
by Christine
Nicolette-Gonzalez

Maxine Quesada
Susie Jaynes
Laura Keller
Tim Schaefer
Harry Wooten
Mike Gregg
Bryan Chastain
by Jan & Tex Quesada

Karen & Mark Garcia Alisa Bailey Bettie Meachum Bea & Annaleigh Gregg by Michael & Jim Rainbolt-Bailey

Maebelle's Granddaughters: Lauren, Lena, Thea & Mia by The Raiza's, Rex, Gary, Jenna & Rebbecca

The Sewell/Watson Family by Anne Sewell

All animals great & small, all children young & old by Dianna Stouffer

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Ray Vickrey by Sharon Vickrey

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Wood & Vanessa Weilage,
Lorelei Wickstrom,
Teri Hitchcock
by Jordan Weilage

Prayer Place Sunday School Class by Kristie Weilage

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Harrison Wooten
Blair Wooten
Harry Sr. & Nancy Wooten
Polly Smith
David Weigle & Mace Welch
Janet Schultz
Barbara Merry
by Debi & Harry Wooten

Harry & Debi Wooten
Barrett Wooten
Jacquie Wooten
Harper Wooten
Turner Wooten
Harrison Wooten
Brittany & Nathan Jones
Blair Wooten
by Harry & Nancy Wooten

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Deacons of the Week

December 22

Cathy Walling & Karen Simmons

December 29

Ray Cox & Margaret Darden

January 5

Melanie Ferguson & Garey Wisdom

Midweek Services Resume *Wednesday Evening* January 8, 2020, in

Vickrey Hall 6:00 pm

Bible Study With Mike Gregg

6:30 pm

e360 Training

Join us for a Fellowship Meal at 5:30 pm.

In the Box Gallery



Randy Box & Debi Wooten

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

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Scriptures of the Week

December 22

Isaiah 7:10-16 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-25

December 29

Isaiah 63:7-9 Psalm 148 Hebrews 2:10-18 Matthew 2:13-23

January 5

Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1: (1-9), 10-18

Midweek Menu

Wednesday, January 8

To be announced

Midweek Meal Prices

Adults - \$7 per person Families - \$15 per family Seniors - \$5 per person

Menus are available on the RLBC website calendar. Click on image for "Wednesday Night Suppers" in Upcoming Events for details.

Happy Birthday!

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