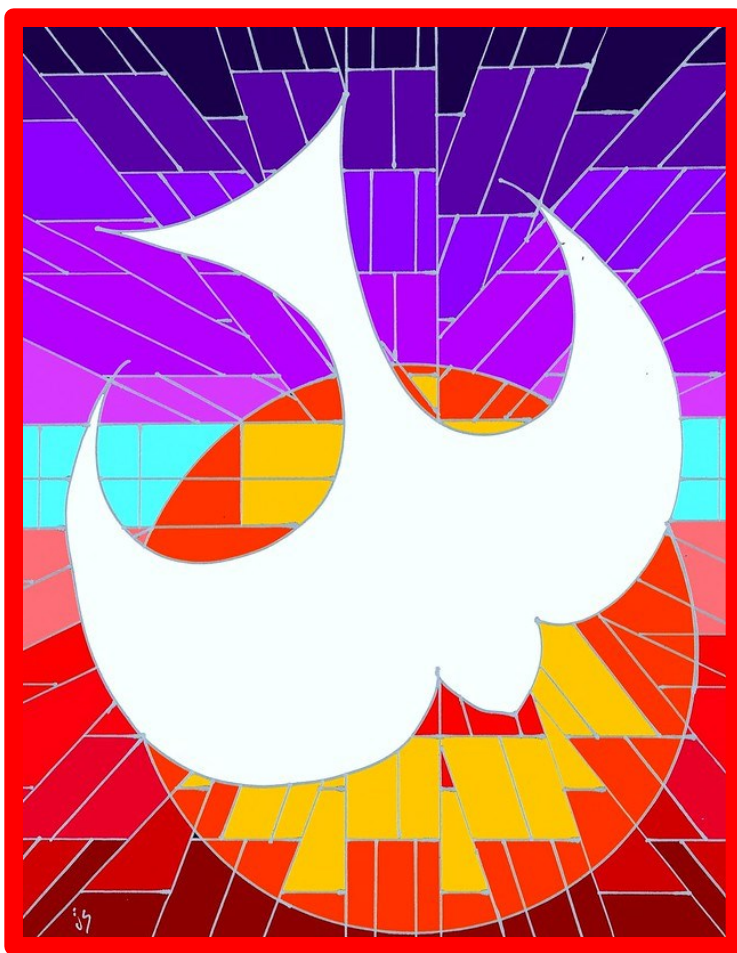


ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

10:55 A.M.

*Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.
To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.
✠ – Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chiming of the Hour

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and are sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

Voluntary

David Weigle

Kyrie, God, Holy Spirit — J. S. Bach

✠ Call to Worship & Invocation

Elwanda Edwards & Congregation

Spirit of the living God, visit us again on this day of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Like a rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,

Come, Holy Spirit.

Like tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame,

Come, Holy Spirit.

With speech that unites the Babel of our tongues,

Come, Holy Spirit.

With love that overlaps the boundaries of race and nation,

Come, Holy Spirit.

With power from above to make our weakness strong,

Come, Holy Spirit.

Let us pray:

Perplexing, Pentecostal God, you infuse us with your Spirit, urging us to vision and dream. May the gift of your presence find voice in our lives, that our babbling may be transformed into discernment and the flickering of many tongues light an unquenchable fire of compassion and justice. Amen.

†Hymn 228

Congregation

A Rushing, Mighty Wind — FESTAL SONG

Words of Welcome

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

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.
You may also register online at royallane.org/register or see QR code following Organ Dismissal.
If you would like to profess your faith or identify with this fellowship,
please refer to pew rack card – “How to Become a Member.”*

Time for Young Disciples

Beth Johnson & Barrett Wooten

*Children 3-year through 5th grade are invited to Godly Play.
You may collect your children following the service in the Godly Play Room located in the Education wing.*

Scripture Lesson

Many Voices

Mike Jones – English, Donna Wood Martin – French
Erni Aguirre – Spanish, Alex Chuang – Mandarin
Jeanie Chuang – Taiwanese, Patsy Meier – Yoruba
Nancy Ferrell – Portuguese, Benjamin Chamero – Spanish
Bruce Luedke – Hawaiian, Sheryl Gambill – Japanese

Bearers: Avery, Claire, and Benjamin

Acts 2:1-21 [Pew Bible page 885 of the New Testament]

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

(continued)

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

For the Word of God in Scripture, For the Word of God within us,
For the Word of God among us, **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

O Breath of Life — ST. CLEMENT

Call to Confession

Beth Johnson & Congregation

Pentecost God, thank you for the gift of the Spirit; for the power and energy the Spirit brings and for the knowledge that we are not alone. Nevertheless, sometimes we find it hard to believe in things we cannot see or touch.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

God of Pentecost, we remember the times we have not recognized the Spirit's still small voice, the times we have ignored the Spirit's prompting, the times we have not acknowledged the Spirit's work around us, the times we have resisted the Spirit's transforming power. We remember, and we are sorry. Pour out your Spirit anew; blow through us and ignite us once more. Amen.

We now share silence together.

Promise of Forgiveness

Our God is always making all things new, our shortcomings are forgotten, and we can begin again, with God's Spirit as our helper.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

Choir

Fanfare for Pentecost — John Purifoy

When the day of Pentecost had come,
they were all together in one place;
*And suddenly a sound came from heaven,
like the rush of a mighty wind.*

And there appeared to them tongues of fire,
and they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Sermon

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

“ Pente-chaos ”

†Hymn 226

Congregation

Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow — ABERYSTWYTH

Offertory Prayer

Jeff Hill

Creative Spirit, create miracles through the gifts we return to you now. Create miracles through us, as we give our lives back to you. Create miracles through our gifts, as we share them with one another. Truly, the whole of the gifts you have given us is greater than the sum of the parts, thanks to your powerful presence in our lives and in our church. Amen.

Offertory

Choir

Jay Majernik, Djembe

Veni Creator Spiritus — Anthony Bernarducci

Veni, Creator Spiritus	<i>Come, Creator Spirit</i>
Mentes tuorum visita	<i>Visit the souls of your devoted</i>
Imple superna gratia,	<i>With your divine grace fill</i>
Quae tu creasti pectora	<i>The hearts which you have created</i>
Accende lumen sensibus	<i>Enkindle your light in our minds,</i>
Infirma nostril corporis	<i>Strengthen the frailties of our flesh</i>
Virtute firmans perpeti	<i>By your perpetual power.</i>
<i>We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane's Ministry.</i>	
<i>See back cover for ways to give.</i>	

✠Benediction

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

As we go forth from this place,
 Let us move
with the SPIRIT!
 Let us breathe
in the SPIRIT!
 Let us sing
forth the SPIRIT!
 Let us live
by the SPIRIT
 Go forth in our God's blessing to love and serve
 wherever the SPIRIT moves!
 Amen.
Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Spirit of the Living God — Daniel Iverson

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Called Church Conference – Today, May 28, 2023

Immediately following worship.

For the purpose of voting on the recommendation from
Personnel Committee for Minister to Children, Youth & Families.

Register Your Attendance

Royallane.org/register



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Annette Owen

Guest Preacher, Sunday, June 4

Annette is an ordained American Baptist minister and is happy to be working with Rev. Victoria Robb Powers and Royal Lane member Rev. Dr. Jaime Clark-Soles at the Baptist House of Studies at SMU's Perkins School of Theology. Annette has served in a variety of ministerial contexts including the pastoral residency at Wilshire Baptist Church alongside Rev. Garrett Vickery, a chaplain residency at Methodist Hospital, co-pastor of Church in the Cliff, and most recently, pastor of Community Baptist Church outside of Chicago.



Originally from Ohio, she earned her BA in English and Religion at Denison University, served as an AmeriCorps VISTA in West Virginia, and earned her MDiv. at the University of Chicago Divinity School. Currently, Annette and her husband David, along with their two dogs Fred and George, are enjoying getting to know the neighborhood around their new-to-them old house in Oak Cliff where you can occasionally find her going for a run or enjoying some nachos at Gloria's.

O Breath of Life

1. O Breath of Life, come sweep - ing through us,
2. O Wind of God, come, bend us, break us,
3. O Breath of Love, come, breathe with - in us,

re - vive your church with life and power.
till hum - bly we con - fess our need.
re - new - ing thought and will and heart.

O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, re - new us,
Then in your ten - der - ness re - make us;
Come, love of Christ, a - fresh to win us;

and fit your church to meet this hour.
re - vive, re - store, for this we plead.
re - vive your church in ev - ery part.

Study for Wednesday Evening
“Holy Conversations”

Scriptures for Next Sunday
Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

For the Children!

Children’s bulletins are included in activity packets for ages 3+ and 7+. 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



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

“Traveling Shoes: Oils and Watercolors” by Sherry Houpt
June 4 through August 25, 2023

Sherry Houpt is an award- winning Dallas artist who works primarily in oils and watercolor. She first put on “traveling shoes” to explore the woods and gardens surrounding her home in Tyler, Texas, and later, Abilene, Texas. Over the years, she has sketched and painted “en plein air” (outdoors) in Texas, the Southwest and Midwest.

Website: <https://www.sherryhoupt.com>



Hymn Notes

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CHILDREN'S CAMP

This year RLBC kids will attend PASSPORTkids Camp.

Saturday–Tuesday, July 22–25

Children's Camp is for kids who have **completed third through sixth grade**. We will travel by bus to the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp and Conference Center near Brownwood. Campers will experience fun recreation, mission focused activities, high-energy worship, interactive Bible study and more, led by camp staff, Royal Lane chaperones will help supervise. Contact Kelley Keith at kkeith19@gmail.com



Chaperones needed.

Cost: \$250, a \$50 deposit guarantees a spot. Full payment due May 31.

Some scholarship assistance can be made available.

Contact Sandy Washington at sandy.washington@gmail.com

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday** **May 28 – Pentecost Sunday**
Following Worship – Called Church Conference
- Monday** **May 29**
Church office closed for Memorial Day
- Wednesday** **May 31**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building – Room 201 (3:30 - 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
 Menu: Spring Vegetable and Chicken Pasta, Bread, Salad, Cheesecake
6:15 pm Children’s Activities — Godly Play Room, Room 204/206
6:15 pm Midweek Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm Choir — Sanctuary
- Saturday** **June 3**
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
- Sunday** **June 4 – Trinity Sunday**
9:45 am Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am Children’s SS Classes — Christian Education Building
10:00 am Youth SS Class — Youth Portable
10:10 am Non-Traditional Class — Christian Education Building, Room 212
10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
 Holy Communion Offered
11:05 am Godly Play (following Time for Young Disciples) — Godly Play Room
 Children 3-year through Fifth Grade
12:15 pm Mission Division — Room 212
12:15 pm First Sunday Youth Lunch
12:15 pm First Sunday Lunch for Families of Children
7:30 pm Education Division — Zoom

The deadline for the Weekly Mosaic and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

How to Connect

See the Weekly Mosaic or Web Calendar for Links and details for In-Person, Livestream, Virtual or Zoom events — royallane.org/resources/events

Prayer Requests

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the “pockets” on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests or the Prayer Request Form, available on the website at royallane.org/prayer
Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plate.



Deacons on Call – Dan Thompson & Donna Wood-Martin **Safety Shepherd** – Joey Belgard

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April 2023 Financials

	YTD Actual
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Expenses	\$ 277,783
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*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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