

# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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*Diverse People United in Christ*



“Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.”

# *The Worship of God*

## *Second Sunday after Pentecost*

June 11, 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

*Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticized the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day, we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.*

### Voluntary

David Weigle

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* — Charles Callahan

### ✠Call to Worship & Invocation

Congregation

Come into God's presence.

**All are welcome here.**

Come, saints and sinners alike.

**We are all God's children.**

Faith has brought us here.

**Grace will make us whole.**

Come! Let us worship.

Let us pray:

**Merciful God, you remind us through Scripture that you desire mercy and not sacrifice. You showed us an example of your mercy in the life and actions of Jesus Christ. Let your church live out that mercy for others, as the healing and compassionate presence that Jesus was in the world. In his name we pray. Amen.**

### ✠Hymn 471

Congregation

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* — RESTORATION

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](http://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.”*

Scripture Lesson

Paulette Harrison

Matthew 9:18-26 [ Pew Bible page 790 of the New Testament]

<sup>18</sup>While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” <sup>19</sup>And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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!**

Time for Young Disciples

Sarah King

*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.*

Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

*She Suffered Twelve Long Years* — LEONI

## Call to Confession

Kate Thompson & Congregation

It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick, says Jesus. Let us confess the afflictions that separate us from God's love so that we can receive the care of the ultimate physician.

## The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

**God of calling, you called a people and cared for and nurtured that people so that they could live life in your abundance. You also call us, but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes and cover our ears, turning our backs to your will. Forgive us, O God, and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need to follow when you call. Amen.**

*We now share silence together.*

## Promise of Forgiveness

By the grace of God, our faith has made us well. In the grace of Christ, our faith has led us home. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit, our faith has made us whole.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn 540

Congregation

*We Cannot Measure How You Heal* — YE BANKS AND BRAES

## Prayers of the People

Sandy Washington & Congregation

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it.

God in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders' compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion.

God in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*(continued)*

We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emmanuel Nine,\* we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors.

God in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud. . .

*We now share silence together.*

Let us pray:

**Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

Anthem

Choir

*Fairest Lord Jesus* — arranged by Mark Hayes

*Commissioned by the 2000 Jubilate Conference in memory of Rachel Fuller,  
sister of Sarah Fuller Phillips and Becky Fuller,  
a young lady of faith who shined the beauty of Christ on all she met.*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son:  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring:  
Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling starry host:  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man/  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forever more be Thine.

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*\*On June 17, 2015, a mass shooting occurred in Charleston, South Carolina, in which nine African Americans were killed and one other was injured during a Bible study at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church. Among the fatalities was the senior pastor, state senator Clementa C. Pinckney. Emanuel AME is one of the oldest black churches in the United States, and it has long been a center for civil rights organizing.*

Sermon

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

## “ Reaching Beyond What Is ”

✠Hymn [ see insert ]

Congregation

*O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come* — CANONBURY

Offertory Prayer

David Doom

Ancient of Days, you call us not just to give us the blessing of being called your people, but also to be a blessing for all people on this earth. Give us the wisdom and the courage to be a blessing to this community and to this world. Through these offerings may we be channels of your compassion and healing to others, for the sake of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Offertory

David Weigle

*Pastoral Dance on* SIMPLE GIFTS — Andrew Clarke

*We invite you to use this time to give to Royal Lane's Ministry.*

*See back cover for ways to give.*

Recognition of Janet Schultz

✠Benediction

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

*Laudation* — Gilbert Martin

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## Register Your Attendance

[Royallane.org/register](https://Royallane.org/register)



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## Hymn Notes

**Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy**

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**She Suffered Twelve Long Years**

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## Today We Celebrate Janet

Join us following worship today for a reception in Vickrey Hall to celebrate Janet Schultz's retirement after 17 years of serving Royal Lane Baptist Church. A basket is available for cards and your personal thanks to Janet for her years of service to Royal Lane Baptist Church.



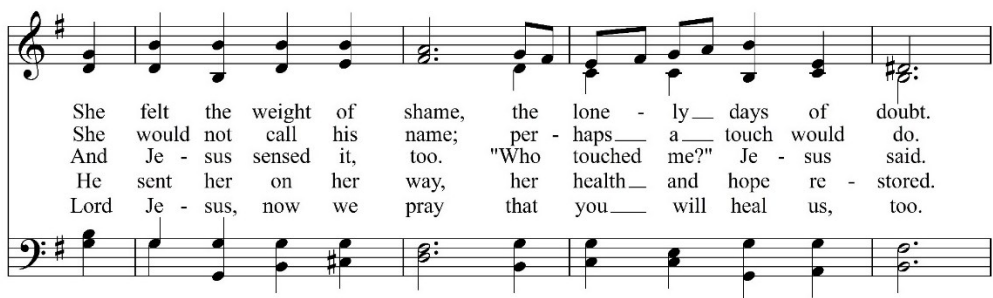
# She Suffered Twelve Long Years



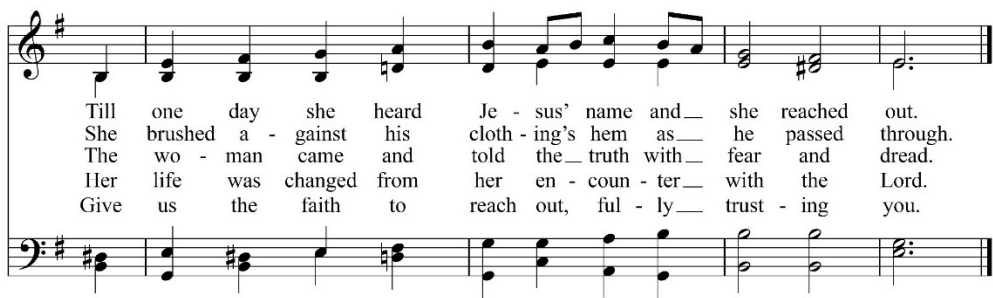
1. She'd suf - fered twelve long years! She longed to be made whole.  
 2. As Jes - us walked a - long, a crowd was ga - th'ring fast.  
 3. As soon as she reached out, she felt her bo - dy healed.  
 4. Yet Je - sus' words were kind: "Now daugh - ter, go in peace.  
 5. We've suf - fered man - y years from things that should not be;



The pain to bo - dy, mind and spir - it tore her soul.  
 The peo - ple jos - tled close to him as he walked past.  
 She knew the king - dom bless - ing of God's love re - vealed.  
 Your faith has made you well and healed you from dis - ease."  
 We're ill in our own lives and in so - ci - e - ty.



She felt the weight of shame, the lone - ly days of doubt.  
 She would not call his name; per - haps a touch would do.  
 And Je - sus sensed it, too. "Who touched me?" Je - sus said.  
 He sent her on her way, her health and hope re - stored.  
 Lord Je - sus, now we pray that you will heal us, too.

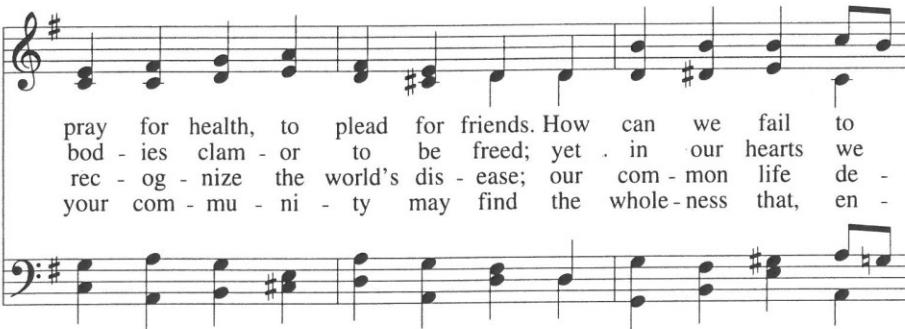


Till one day she heard Je - sus' name and she reached out.  
 She brushed a - gainst his cloth - ing's hem as he passed through.  
 The wo - man came and told the truth with fear and dread.  
 Her life was changed from her en - coun - ter with the Lord.  
 Give us the faith to reach out, ful - ly trust - ing you.

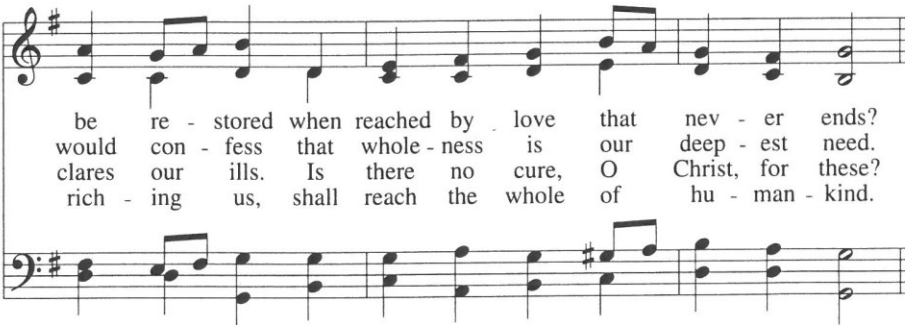
# O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come



1 O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to  
2 From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our  
3 In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we  
4 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in



pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to  
bod - ies clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we  
rec - og - nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -  
your com - mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -



be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?  
would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.  
clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?  
rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

# Study for Wednesday Evening

## IN FOCUS

Conversations that Matter, Beloved Community:  
Coming to Our Senses, Touching Hearts with Missions

## Scriptures for Next Sunday

**Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7) Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19**

**Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23)**

## 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](http://games.childrensbulletins.com/games/playcode.aspx)



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

## Welcoming New Minister to Children, Youth and Families

On Sunday, May 28th at a called church conference after worship, the congregation voted on the recommendation of the personnel committee to call Beth Johnson as our new Minister to Children, Youth and Families. Beth will begin her role with us on Wednesday, July 5. Join us for a church-wide welcome on Sunday, July 9 at 9:45am in Vickrey Hall. Refreshments will be available, and the event is come and go. Please consider coming before your Sunday school class or before worship and join us in giving God thanks for Royal Lane's bright future!

# **“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>



**Artist Reception with Guitar Music by Stephen Houpt**  
Saturday, June 24, 4:00 – 6:00 pm





**Grow in Faith. Have Fun. Change the World.**

### **SAVE THE DATE...ReNew - The Green VBS!**

Join us this summer for a VBS experience in a non-traditional format. We will kick off VBS during Sunday School and Godly Play on Sunday, June 25th. Children and their families will then be invited to join an overnight stay at Sister Grove Farm to learn more about God's creation and how we can care for it, learn about others in our community and world that are serving as great stewards of our resources, and connect spiritual truths of God's love growing inside of each of us. Concluding activities will be on Sunday, July 2nd during Sunday School and Godly Play.

#### **Overview of Dates:**

**Sunday, June 25th** during Sunday School and Godly Play

**Friday night, June 30th through Saturday, July 1st** at lunch at Sister Grove Farm

**Sunday, July 2nd** during Sunday School and Godly Play

#### **Interested in Volunteering?**

We will need lots of youth and adult volunteers on each of the Sundays and during the retreat at the Farm to help with crafts, food, facilitating discussion, etc. With a focus of re-using and recycling many typical household items, we may also be asking for collections of re-useable craft supplies such as cardboard, metal bottle caps, toilet paper rolls, etc. More information coming soon about specific objects and getting involved.

Contact Sarah King or Sandy Washington.



## Holy Land Trip Information Session

### June 25, 12:00 PM, Library

October 9-18, Faith Commons is hosting a unique experience in the Holy Land rooted in curiosity and discovery. Arguably there is nowhere on earth people argue about more than the Holy Land. *Why is it important? Who does it belong to? Who gets to decide who lives there? And what makes the land holy?*

The tour is centered on these questions and will be led by Rev. Dr. George Mason and Rabbi Nancy Kasten. The hope is that a diverse group of travelers, attuned to the diversity and complexity of the people connected to the land, will gain insights and wisdom to sustain them and to share with their communities when they return.

Pastor Victoria would love to lead a strong cohort from Royal Lane on this trip. If you're interested, please join us for an information session with Rev. Dr. George Mason on June 25 immediately following the Sunday service in the church library.

# RLBC Independence Day Fellowship

Mark your calendars!

Wednesday, June 28, 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Celebrate Independence Day with your Royal Lane Family.  
Food, waterslide, and more.



# RLBC

## INDEPENDENCE DAY FELLOWSHIP

Come out and enjoy food, fellowship, a water slide, and  
more!



**JUNE  
28TH  
5:30-7:00**



## *Schedule for the Week*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 11 – Second Sunday after Pentecost</b>
12:15 pm	Reception Honoring Janet Schultz on her Retirement — Vickrey Hall
1:15 pm	Racial Justice Committee — Christian Education Building, Room 212
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 14</b>
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building – Room 201 (3:30 - 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall Menu: Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, and Salad Dessert: Chocolate Cake
6:00 pm	Wacky Wednesdays — Christian Education Building Decorate Containers to Hold Your Chores for Chickens Money!
6:15 pm	Midweek Study – IN FOCUS — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm	Choir — Sanctuary
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 17</b>
	Third Saturday Youth Activity
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 18 – Third Sunday after Pentecost</b>
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 Godly Play (following Time for Young Disciples) — Godly Play Room Children 3-year through Fifth Grade

*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](http://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](http://royallane.org/prayer)  
Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plate.



**Deacons on Call** – David Doom & Sandy Washington

**Safety Shepherd** – Karen Miller

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### April 2023 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues*	\$ 300,219
Expenses	\$ 277,783
Surplus (Deficit)*	\$ 22,436

\*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

Text “GIVE” to 214-609-1200. Follow the prompts to complete the process.

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