



WELCOME

TO ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH



Thank you for choosing to worship with us this morning. We are so glad you're here! Royal Lane Baptist Church is a diverse community of faith united in the spirit of Jesus Christ. Since 1952, our church has sought to be a beacon of light in the city of Dallas and beyond.

Rather than escaping the world, we gather at Royal Lane with the hopes of transforming the world. We believe the heart of

the gospel is to share, in word and deed, the life-giving, liberating, and loving word of God. Therefore, we commit ourselves to a proclamation of the Christian faith that is responsible, socially concerned, and relevant to our needs as a caring and inclusive fellowship.

The Church is an imperfect institution, and Royal Lane is no exception. We do not presume to be a perfect place, but we do commit ourselves to the practice of faith and grace. If you're joining us this morning, our hope is that you'll sense God's love in our fellowship and that you'll come to know more deeply your own belovedness as a child of God. No matter who you are, you are welcome here. There are no prerequisites to your worthiness. We are all God's children, and it's a gift when we come together.

If you'd like to learn more about our church or how to become a member, please see the "New Here" card in the pew back in front of you. Thank you for being here!

In Christ,

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

THE WORSHIP OF GOD



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

The voice of God calls us this day. Christ beckons us to leave our old lives behind. Will we heed? Will we follow?

Voluntary David Weigle

Overture by Robert J Powell

≰ Call to Worship & Invocation

Tori Jones & Congregation

In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.

Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.

We respond with our whole heart, singing God's praise and giving thanks.

In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.

Let us pray:

Your wisdom, Holy Mystery, is as unfathomable as the deep, as alluring as the night sky. When all seems lost, call us from the wreckage of our lives. Grant us the ability and the will to hear your call and bless us with the grace to embrace your promised salvation. Help us face our fears, that we might remain sure-footed on our journey of faith. Amen.



You Walk Along Our Shoreline

Words of Welcome

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers

Christ be with you ... and also with you!

If you are a guest with us this morning, we invite you to register your attendance by filling out a "New Here" card which can be found in the pew racks. You may also register online at royallane.org/register or with the QR code.



Scripture Lesson

Jeanie Chuang

Luke 5:1-11

[Page 836 of the New Testament in the pew Bible]

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets. When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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!**

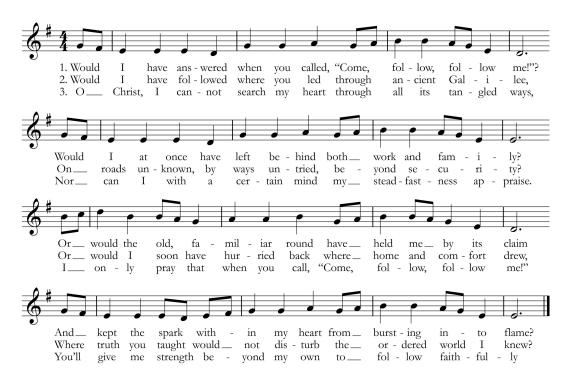
Beth Johnson

Children 3-years of age through 3rd grade are invited to Godly Play. Children Grades 4 through 6, are invited to Young Theologians *You may collect your children following the service in the Christian Education Building.*

≰⊫ Hymn

Congregation

Would I Have Answered When You Called



Call to Confession

Brad Eason & Congregation

The voice of God shakes the deficient foundations on which we have built our lives. We are summoned to account for our faithlessness. Called as disciples and apostles, we have not followed in the footsteps of God's sovereignty and confess our broken commitments.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

God of the universe and Creator of all that is, we admit that we fail to be honest about our lives and in the politics of life.

Sometimes we are deceitful; other times we judge ourselves harshly and feel unworthy of your call on our lives.

Touch us with your grace and dispel our fear, that we may arise with renewed spirits to serve you, our true Sovereign. Amen.

We now share silence together.

Promise of Forgiveness

The promise is this:
God is faithful and steadfast,
eager to forgive our sin and welcome us home.
Grateful for this promise of joy and of peace,
let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

Thanks be to God!

Hymn 473 *Congregation*

Will You Come and Follow Me

We pray for those suffering from war or calamities of nature.

On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

We pray for those who are oppressed and need courage to resist.

On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

We pray for those who because of illness or hardship are paralyzed by fear.

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

We now share silence together.

(You may speak aloud the first name of those for whom you wish to pray)

Let us pray:

God of majesty and glory, through Jesus Christ you summon us into your compassion for all creation. Renew in us your call and release us from all fear, that we may testify in words and deeds to your steadfast love for all. For the sake of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Anthem Choir

Here I Am, Lord Arr. Ovid Young

I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry, All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me,
I will hold Your people in my heart.

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}},$ the Lord of snow and rain, $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}}$ have borne My people's pain,

I have wept for love of them, they turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?

Moment of Contemplation

≰⊭ Hymn 478

Congregation

Invitation to Generosity & Offertory Prayer

Barbara Gunnin

We are invited to cast our nets into God's abundance, and to share what we have received with others. As we give our tithes and offerings today, we put our trust in the one who has called us to follow him: Jesus Christ, the great Fisher of people.

God Is Calling Through the Whisper

Hear now this prayer.

Holy One, we give you thanks for your generosity to use. Bless these gifts and multiply them, for the sake of those in need around us; in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Offertory

David Weigle

Palette Sketches of Utrillo #1

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



∦ Benediction

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Joyful Praise by Eugene Butler

At the close of the service, if you would like to receive prayer, several of our deacons will remain at the front of the sanctuary and would be glad to pray with you.

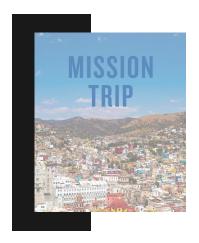


COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



New Mission Opportunity

We are taking part in a supply drive benefitting Hope Supply and would love your help! Hope Supply is dedicated to making a positive impact on the world, providing critically needed resources to homeless and at-risk children. Through their network of social service agencies, they deliver items to children in need in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. Please follow the QR code to access the wish list for needed supplies. Deadline for supplies is March 15, which we will assemble together on Saturday, March 22.



Summer Mission Trip

Youth and Adults are welcome to join on this weeklong justice and compassion journey. We plan to partner with Fellowship Southwest in Brownsville, TX, who invites us to come and see the lived experience of migrants. We may also spend some time alongside migrant ministries in San Antonio, depending on this year's opportunities in Brownsville. Contact Beth Johnson or Barbara Gunnin with any questions.

Dates: June 8-14

• Cost: \$400 (scholarships available by request)

Registration Deadline: April 1



Upcoming Collaboration Services

Next Sunday, February 16, Wilshire Baptist Church worship team joins us for a special collaboration service in our sanctuary. We will be joined by Wilshire's Senior Pastor, Rev. Timothy Peoples, Minister of Music, Ariel Merivil, and the Wilshire Choir. Let's welcome our sister Baptist church with open arms through this new ministry effort!



Advocacy Day

Register today and travel with us to the capitol to advocate for justice and compassion. Fellowship Southwest will offer advocacy training before we meet with legislators to address important issues relating to the health of our community. Let your voice be heard and help us make Advocacy Day a success.



Library Update

We are still working to update our Church Library. Scan the QR code or search "Royal Lane Baptist Church" in Amazon Registries to find our Library wish list! If you see any books on the list you would be willing to donate, please do so. We are excited to fill our shelves with books that better reflect who Royal Lane is! Link: https://amzn.to/3YmIR8b

ROYAL LANE HAPPENINGS



Lunch + Learn

Wednesday, February 12, 12:00pm, Vickrey Hall (Lunch Line opens at 11:30am)
Mark Wingfield comes to Royal Lane this Wednesday for a discussion on the intersection of Faith and Journalism. We hope you'll join us!



Young Adult Movie Night

Sunday. February 16, 6:00pm, Kenna's House Movie night for the YAs will take place next Sunday evening at 6pm. Bring a side or appetizer to share! Reach out to our Pastoral Intern, Kenna Curry, for address.



Community Dinners

Saturday February 15, 22, 6:00pm It's not too late to join in! The first community dinner takes place this Saturday. Meals will take place from 6-8pm at a community member's home. Use the QR code to sign up for one or both weekends!



Abundant Lifers Breakfast

Tuesday. February 18, 10:00am, Vickrey Hall Next Tuesday, the Abundant Lifers (our 60ish+ community) join Pastor Victoria for an informal time of food and fellowship. Grab a friend and meet us for breakfast in Vickrey Hall.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 9

12:15 pm: Racial Justice Team — Vickrey Hall (meeting open to all)

Tuesday, February 11

9:30 am: Communion & Contemplation — Church Library

Wednesday, February 12

12:00 pm: Lunch + Learn — Vickrey Hall & Zoom (Lunch line opens at 11:30 am)

Menu: Smothered Steak, Mashed potatoes, Peas, and Salad

Program: Mark Wingfield, Faith and Journalism

1:30 pm: Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building, Room 212 (1:30 - 3:30 pm)

6:15 pm: Youth Valentines Social — Harris Youth Cottage

7:15 pm: Choir — Sanctuary

Saturday, February 15

9:00 am: Youth Service Event - Hope Supply

2:00 pm: Questers Class — Zoom

6:00 pm: Community Dinner — Various Community Member's Homes

Sunday, February 16 - Wilshire Collaborative Service

9:45 am: Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building & Library

9:45 am: Children's Christian Education — Christian Education Building

9:45 am: Youth Christian Education - Harris Youth Cottage

11:00 am: Morning Worship - Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel

Godly Play (following Time for Young Disciples) — Godly Play Room

Children 3-year through Third Grade

6:00 pm: Young Adult Movie Night - Kenna's House

WORSHIP NOTES

Hymn Notes

You Walk Along Our Shoreline

Words: Sylvia Dunstan, 1991 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

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Would I Have Answered When You Called

Words: Herman G. Stuempfele, Jr. Music: Trad. English melody

Words © 1997 GIA Publications, Inc.

Will You Come and Follow Me

Words: John L. Bell and Graham A. Maule, 1987 Music: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell 1987 Words & Music © Wild Goose Resource Group, Iona Community, Scotland, GIA Publications, Inc.

Here I Am, Lord

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Arr. Ovid Young

Arrangement © New Dawn Music

God Is Calling Through the Whisper

Words: Mary Louise Bringle, 2003

Music: Polish carol; harm. Wilbur Lee, 1958 Words © 2006 by GIA Publications, Inc.

Harm. © 1958 Broadman Press (Admin. by LifeWay

Worship)

HOW TO CONNECT

Event Details

See the Weekly News & Journal or Web Calendar for Links and details for In-Person, Livestream, Virtual or Zoom events. royallane.org/resources/event

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 <u>royallane.org/prayer</u>. Prayer cards may be placed in the offering plate.



Deacons on Call

Jack Mullinax and Jeanie Chuang

GIVING at royal lane

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