

# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

# Diverse People United in Christ

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## New Year, Same Me (For Now...)

Are you a New Years resolution type of person? I typically am, but this year, after the rush of the holidays, I don't have it in me. I really enjoy planning, preparing, and goal setting but not right after the exhaustion of Advent and Christmas, and not in the dead of winter. I just don't have the energy to prepare for anything at the moment. I need to rest first.

A friend of mine recently shared that she's moving her New Year's practice to the Spring Equinox, which I really loved. It makes sense to me too. Now is a season for hibernation. It's a time to enjoy small, cozy things, and treat our bodies to the comfort and rest it needs after concluding another year of life. So, this year, I'm planning to enter my creative and productive stage at the same time as the flowers and birds, which means, for now, I'm going to rest with them too. I invite you to do the same.

Cheers to a new year. May you listen closely to the needs of your inner soul and treat yourself with the love and gentleness you deserve, and may the Lord bless you and keep you.

With love.

Pastor Victoria

# Experience the Mixed-Media Exhibit "SACRED/SECULAR" by artist, JACQUE FORSHER

In the Box Gallery January 7 – March 29, 2024



Born and raised in small town Kansas, Jacque Forsher earned a BFA from PSU in Pittsburg, Kansas. After moving to Texas, Forsher's work became greatly inspired by the diverse culture found in the DFW metroplex. Since participating in multiple Iconography workshops, a fascination with sacred imagery became an influence and is often reflected in Forsher's artwork—a continual exploration where modern style and contemporary representation find a colorful and interesting harmony that oftentimes includes symbolic reference. Forsher is currently employed as a Communications Specialist and has participated as an artist and curator in both local, national, juried, and invitational exhibitions.

The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for January 18 & February 1, 2024. The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.

# **Coming Events**

Sunday	January 7 – Epiphany Sunday
9:00 am	IT Committee — Library
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable
10:00 am	Parent Epiphany Party — Vickrey Hall
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
	Godly Play: Following Time for Young Disciples — Godly Play Room
	Young Theologians: Following Time for Young Disciples — Christian Education Building
12:15 pm	First Sunday Lunch for Children, Youth, & Families
12:15 pm	Missions Division Meeting — Christian Education Building, Room 212
12:30 pm	Personnel Committee — Library
8:00 pm	Education Division — Zoom
Wednesday	January 10
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building, Room 201 (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
·	Menu: Shepherd's Pie, Salad, Dessert
6:00 pm	Midweek Gathering & Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
6:00 pm	Children's Gathering — Godly Play Room
6:30 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Saturday	January 13
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
Sunday	January 14 – First Sunday after Epiphany
8:30 am	Deacon's Meeting — Vickrey Hall
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
	Godly Play: Following Time for Young Disciples — Godly Play Room
12:15 pm	Racial Justice Team — Vickrey Hall
Monday	January 15
	Church Office Closed in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Wednesday	January 17
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building, Room 201 (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
	Menu: Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Dessert
6:00 pm	Midweek Gathering & Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
6:00 pm	Children's Gathering — Godly Play Room
6:30 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Saturday	January 20
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
	The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.  "Like" RLBC on Facebook or "Follow" RLBC on Twitter
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#### **How to Connect**

See the Weekly Mosaic, Weekend Update or Web Calendar for Links and details for In-Person, Livestream, Virtual or Zoom events — royallane.org/resources/events Group hosts and leaders will provide links for events with no published link.

#### **Deacons of the Week**

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## January 14

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# Midweek Programs Resume January 10 6:00 p.m. Wednesday in Vickrey Hall

## **January 10 & 17**

Expounding on Sunday's Sermon with Jonathan Greer

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

Announcements, Birthday Celebrations and Prayer Concerns at 6:00 pm.

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"Experience" the mixed-media exhibit: Sacred/Secular

of Artist

Jacque Forsher

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

## **Scriptures of the Week**

#### January 7

Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:1-12 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 Matthew 2:1-12

#### **January 14**

1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20) Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

John 1:43-51

# November 2023 Financials

YTD Actual

Revenues\* \$ 704,635 Expenses \$ 770,865 Surplus (Deficit) (\$ 66,231)

\*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

#### Text "GIVE" to 214-609-1200

Follow the prompts to complete the process. Standard text message rates may apply.

Donate online at royallane.org/give/

Giving menu includes:
General Fund
The Lowe Scholarship Fund
Columbarium

# Happy Birthday!

## **January**

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Adam Simmons	8	
Michael Faulkinbury	12	
Carol Tabor	14	
Kristene Ruddle	16	
Sophie McKinney	16	





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The Mosaic is published twice a month

**Office Hours:** 

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm

**Christian Education: Saturday & Sunday** 

Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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