



ROYAL LANE
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The Power of a Kind Gesture

“Again and again, we are impressed with the fact that little things can make big differences. A little act of kindness at a moment of great need makes all the difference between sunshine and shadows. A smile at the right moment may make an intolerable burden lighter. Just a note bearing a message of simple interest or concern or affection may give to another the radically needed assurance. A simple ‘Thank you’ has softened many a hard situation or punctured the crust of many a ‘hard-boiled’ person. There is always a place for the graceful gesture, the thoughtful remark, the sensitive response.” - Howard Thurman, *Deep is the Hunger*, p. 117

In our Lenten book study this morning, we discussed this short essay by Howard Thurman and reflected on small acts of kindness that make significant impacts. One woman shared about a church member who wrote her a note every week just to let her know he was thinking about her. Another shared how much a recent heartfelt thank you note meant, and another talked about the smile the grocery clerk gives her that always eases her day. It can be so easy for us to forget how far kindness can extend. Little things often make big differences.

Do not underestimate the power of a kind gesture. These things make all the difference between “sunshine and shadows.” So may you go into the world and make intolerable burdens lighter.

All my love,

Pastor Victoria

Daylight Savings Time Begins Sunday, March 10 - Spring Forward!



UPCOMING *EVENTS*



Sunday March 10 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00 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 Christian Education — Youth Portable
10:55 am: Morning Worship — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
Godly Play (following Time for Young Disciples) — Godly Play Room
Children 3-year through Third Grade
Young Theologians — Christian Education Building
Children Fourth & Fifth Grade

Wednesday March 13

9:00 pm: Holy Rollers — Vickrey Hall
5:00 pm: Properties Division — Christian Education Building, Room 212
5:30 pm: Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
Mother's Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Salad, Bread, Dessert
6:00 pm: Midweek Gathering & Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
Sermon Encounter with Jonathan Greer
6:00 pm: Children's Activities — Godly Play Room
6:30 pm: Youth Gathering — Youth Portable
7:15 pm: Choir — Sanctuary

Thursday, March 14

11:30 am: Lenten Book Study — Library

Saturday March 15

2:00 pm: Questers Class — Zoom

Royal Lane Racial Justice Team

If you are interested in taking a next step and engaging with the work of racial justice, we invite you to join our Racial Justice Team. For more information you can contact:

Sandy Washington at sandy.washington@gmail.com or

Sarah Fuller at sfp7152@gmail.com.

All are welcome.



UPCOMING *EVENTS*



Sunday March 17 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:30 am: Program Council — 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 Christian Education — Youth Portable

10:55 am: Morning Worship — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel

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

Children 3-year through Third Grade

12:00 pm: Easter Basket Assembly for NDSM — Vickrey Hall

Wednesday March 20

9:00 pm: Holy Rollers — Vickrey Hall

5:30 pm: Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall

Ramadan Dinner with Dialogue Dallas

6:00 pm: Children's Activities — Godly Play Room

6:30 pm: Youth Gathering — Youth Portable

7:15 pm: Choir — Sanctuary

Ramadan Dinner with Dialogue Dallas - March 20



Easter Egg Hunt

Donate toys or stickers for our Easter Egg Hunt that will be the same day as the Holy Week Walk Through. (Holy Week Walk through will be 2pm - 4pm, Egg Hunt at 3pm.)

Eggs, toys/stickers may be given to Beth, brought to the office, or delivered to the Kid's Room across from the 4th and 5th grade room.

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IN THE BOX GALLERY



SACRED/SECULAR

Experience the mixed media exhibit by artist

JACQUE FORSHER

**Artist Reception,
Saturday, March 9,
4-6:00 PM**

Exhibit:
January 7-March 29

BASKETS FOR NDSM



Easter Baskets for Hope Supply

Sunday, March 17, 12:00 pm, Vickrey Hall

Join us as we assemble Easter baskets for Hope Supply.

THE GATHERING



The Gathering for NDSM

Lenten Project

Food drive benefitting North Dallas Shared Ministries. Bring these items during Lent: Cereal, Peanut Butter, Refried Beans, Macaroni and Cheese.

VBS/MUSIC CAMP



VBS & Music/Arts Camp

June 24-28, 2024

Pre-K - Completed Grade 5

VBS / 9:00 am -12:00 pm

Register at: <https://bit.ly/433s4Yk>

**Lunch in between for those staying all day.*





DEACONS OF THE WEEK

March 3 - 9

Jeff Hill
Cookie Stokes

March 10 - 16

Adam Visconti
Cheryl Robinson

SCRIPTURES OF THE WEEK

March 3

Exodus 20:1-17
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 1:18-25
John 2:13-22

March 10

Numbers 21:4-9
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22
Ephesians 2:1-10
John 3:14-21

December 2023 Financials

Revenues*	\$815,539
Expenses	\$852,828
Surplus (Deficit)*	(\$37,289)

**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.

IN THE BOX GALLERY



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JACQUE FORSHER

January 7-March 29, 2024

The Box Gallery is open by appointment 10:00am-4:00pm on weekdays, 10:00am-5:00pm on Wednesdays.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

8	Lauren Miller
10	Sarah Macias
11	Percy Parrish
12	Donnie Gray
15	Scottie Gonzalez
16	Paul Hood-Patterson
19	Rick Crutcher

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



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9:00am-5:00pm
(214) 361-2809

JOIN THE COMMUNITY

Sunday Worship: 10:55 am
Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm
Christian Education: Saturday & Sunday

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ROYAL LANE STAFF

Rev. Victoria Robb Powers, Senior Pastor
Rev. Harry Wooten, Minister of Music and Worship
Beth Johnson, Minister to Children, Youth, & Families
Barbara Merry, Ministries Assistant
David Doom, Ministries Assistant
David Weigle, Organist
Ellen Miers, Housekeeping
Ben Chamero, Livestream Technician
Brandon Green, Audio Technician
Blake Vickrey, Audio Technician

