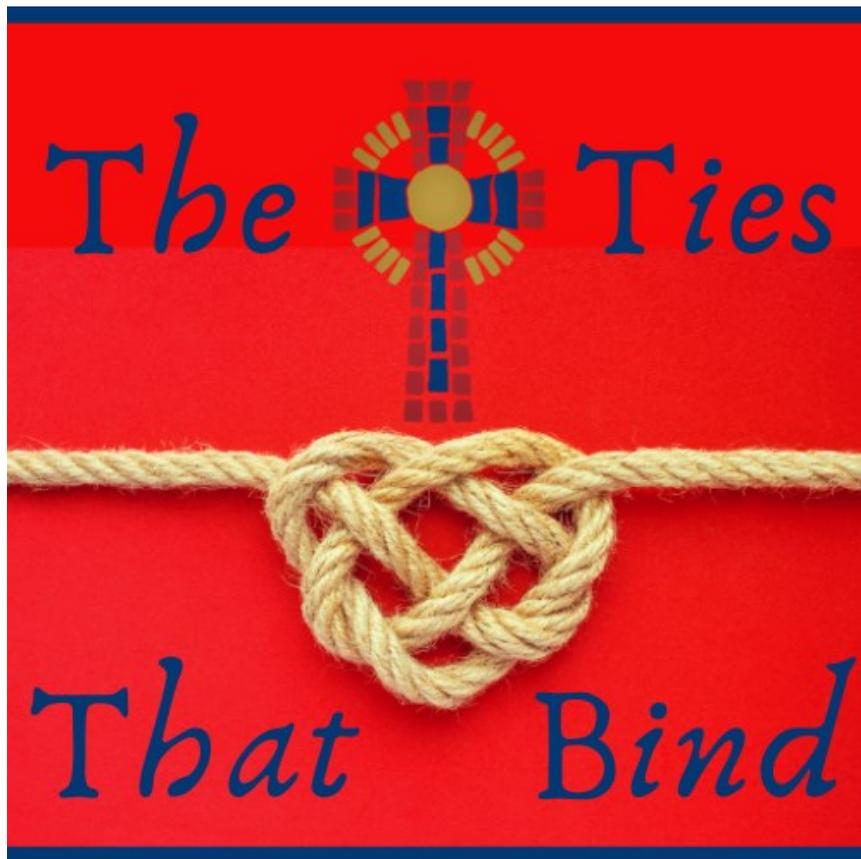


ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020

11:00 A.M.

Chiming of the Hour

Centering Words & Candle Lighting

Laura Keller

In Philippians, Paul calls for a state of being and centeredness in the iconic phrase, “the peace of God, which passes all understanding.” His is a plea to not be afraid, even when the world seems to let go of the possibility of liberation, physical, or social or spiritual. But how do we live with an absence of fear? Paul seems to suggest that the lack of fear comes from a grounding in the promise of a higher, more loving order. Draw near to God, and God will draw near to us, as we serve and minister together.

Voluntary

David Weigle

Paris, vu du Square Sainte-Antoine — Robert Hebble
from Seven Prelude Sketches of Utrillo

Call to Worship

Harry Wooten

Invited by God,

we gather to worship.

Partnering with God,

**we gather to grow in faith
and to change the world.**

Invocation

Harry Wooten

Beloved God, we gather in the shelter of your love, grateful for the banquet of worship you have prepared for us. Focus our hearts and our minds on the beauty of this time, the blessings of our lives, and the fullness of your message. Rejoice in God, whose grace is ours. Rejoice in the power of love! Rejoice, you pure in heart! Amen.

Hymn [see insert]

Worshippers

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart — MARION
(stanzas one, two and three)

Testimony of Joy

Melissa (Rae Rae), interviewed by Tim Schaefer

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

Prayers of the People

Tim Schaefer

O God, we thank you that you love us just as we are,
though we are all in some way broken and imperfect.

We thank you for your love.

May we show your love to others.

Lord, grant that we may listen to others,
including the experiences of those with mental health problems,
so that we do not add to their difficulties through our ignorance and prejudice.

We thank you for your love.

May we show your love to others.

O God, we thank you for your love which heals.

We thank you for your love.

May we show your love to others.

Lord, grant that we, your body on earth, may offer care for all.
We think particularly of those who are depressed, anxious,
struggling to think clearly or to remember accurately.

We thank you for your love.

May we show your love to others

Lord, you journey alongside those who are unwell, offering support and care.

We thank you for your love.

May we show your love to others.

Today we pray especially for those we name now silently or aloud or post in the
comments section.

Let us pray:

May we see the needs of others and respond, hear their cries and listen to them.
May we speak words of hope and comfort, reach out and touch them to reassure
and comfort; and walk alongside them so they are not alone. Let us together
strive to make this a world where fewer become stressed, distressed, depressed and
anxious. May we let others help us, so that all have the opportunity to enjoy
helping. In doing this together may none feel over-burdened, and all enjoy both
giving and receiving; and the body of Christ be strengthened in this place. Amen.

Response [see insert]

Worshippers

Near to the Heart of God — McAFEE
(stanza one)

Scripture Lesson

Amy Ward-Meier

Philippians 4:1-9 [see insert]

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word ... **Thanks be to God!**

Solo

Melissa (Rae Rae)

Wie Melodien Zieht Es Mir — Johannes Brahms

Sermon

Amy Moore

“ That piece of God ”

Stewardship Hymn

Worshippers

The Ties That Bind — DENNIS



We wor - ship God__ at home, Our fam' - ly shares and prays. And



we__ will join__ each oth - er soon__ To build__ our faith__ a - gain.

A Stewardship Moment

Betty Garrett

Offertory

David Weigle

L'église Saint-Séverin — Robert Hebble
from Seven Prelude Sketches of Utrillo

Communion

Worshippers

This is the feast of God's goodness.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

This is the Sabbath of our souls.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

This is the promise of resurrection and life.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

This is the gift of Christ's love for us.

Let us break bread together on our knees.

As we gather at your table and eat of this bread,
nourish us with the truth of your word
and the blessing of your covenant. Amen.

As we drink of this cup and share table together,
fill us with the hope of your salvation. Amen.

Communion Prayer

Promise of salvation, thank you for this gift of grace. Remind us that we are one body in your name with your disciples throughout time and history. May our lives proclaim the mystery and majesty of your saving grace. Amen.

Closing Response [see insert]

Worshippers

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow — LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Blessing

Amy Moore

As partners with God,
go to serve God's world.

As friends of Christ,
go to share Christ's love.

**We go with the blessing of God,
the strength of Jesus Christ,
and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

Amen.

Postlude

David Weigle

Domine Deus, Rex Coelestis — François Couperin

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Cover Art — *The Ties That Bind*, 2020 stewardship theme

Hymn Notes

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

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The Ties That Bind

*Our spirits still are joined,
Though sep'rate we must be,
For we have found our Lord again
Among the least of these.*

*At times we are a lone,
And cannot touch or share,
But ever stronger is our love
Expressed in acts of love.*

*We worship God at home,
Our fam'ly shares and prays,
And we will join each other soon
To build our faith again.*

*And when we gather here,
No longer kept apart,
Our worship will resound a new
From overflowing hearts.*
— Terre Johnson

Amy W. Moore, Guest Preacher



Rev. Amy W. Moore – Lifetime seeker, Pennsylvania native. Joyfully (mostly!) following the Spirit on a fascinating journey through a 30-year career as a nurse clinician and educator, Spiritual Director and now PC(USA) pastor.

Adventures in ministry include serving FaithForwardDallas of ThanksGiving Square as Communications Chair, the Grace Presbytery Social Justice Task Force, and participating in the work of Faith in Texas. Amy shares contemplative thoughts weekly (kind of) at www.amyswell.com.

Amy received her M.Div. degree from SMU Perkins School of Theology and was ordained in 2015. She is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Ministry at Brite Divinity School at TCU, focusing on integrating the inner and outer life through spirituality and justice.

Social Justice Team Candlelight Prayer Walk Friday, October 16 – 7:30 pm

You are invited to participate in the *Social Justice Team Candlelight Prayer Walk*, Friday, October 16, 7:30 pm. See guide on the next page for parking and gathering group information and more.

Consider attending as a Sunday School Class or Care Group. Invite your friends and neighbors. Seating available for those with limited mobility.

Please read the participant guide prior to your arrival on October 16.

Participant Guide

Royal Lane Baptist Church - Social Justice Team

Candlelight Prayer Walk

Arriving at church:

- Park anywhere other than the big, corner parking lot.
- Wear masks, have personal hand sanitizer, and maintain social distancing.
- No entrance to buildings - Worship Sites and Walking Paths are outside.

Choose your Gathering Site:

Site A: east of Vickrey Hall - (stairs included when walking) (max 12 participants)

Site B: corner parking lot - (flat, level walking) (max 24 participants)

Site C: front steps of Sanctuary - sit on the steps or stand nearby, at least six feet apart - no candles - no walking (max - till area is full)

Arrive at your Gathering Site:

- Silence cell phones
- Pick up a single, sanitized candle, only touching that one (Sites A & B only)
- Maintain a sense of solemn yet fervent expectation as all gather at your Site
- Keep your mask on
- Maintain social distancing

At your Gathering Site - Directions from your Site Leader:

- Preview instructions for Walking Path (Sites A & B only)
 - describe path for walking in a one-way circuit
 - walk individually at least 6 feet behind the person in front of you
 - move intentionally and with careful steps
 - remain in single file as you walk together
 - hold your candle in front of you, as a witness to those driving by
 - walk the circuit path until you are done meditating
- Keep your mask on and maintain social distancing
- Rehearse Responsive phrase
- Listen for a single phrase to focus your meditation
- Plan for the reverent ending (*see below*)
- Practice Responsive phrase one more time

Responsive Reading and Candlelight Prayer Walk - (*keep your mask on*)

LIPS

Participate in the Responsive Reading - listen for your phrase

HEART

Meditate on your phrase - reflect within your heart

FEET (Sites A & B only)

Walk the circuit together - pray in the glow of your candle.

(repeat the circuit until you're done praying)

Reverent Ending:

- Return your candle to your Gathering Site when you're done walking
- Move quietly back to your car, maintaining a sense of meditation
- If desired, have conversations near your car, maintaining social distancing and wearing your mask.

October Missions Project

Tango Tab Feed the City

We are excited to bring a new missions project to you that you and your families can do together at home. We are partnering with Tango Tab's Feed The City program. Tango Tab is an organization that has been fighting hunger in our city since 2015. We will pack paper lunch sacks at home with shelf stable food which will be given out to people in need throughout the metroplex.

In each bag you will put

- 1 granola bar,
- 1 apple sauce or tuna pouch, and
- 1 bottle of water

Please write an encouraging message on each paper bag, for example "You are loved".

The Missions Division volunteers will add a piece of fruit before we deliver them to Tango Tab. We would love for Royal Laners to provide at least 100 lunches, and more if we can. How many can your family make?

Drop off your bags at these times at Royal Lane Baptist Church

Wednesday, October 14th, 6-8pm

Friday October 16th, 7pm (please stay for the Prayer Walk!)

Saturday October 17th, 10am-12pm

If you need another time to drop off your sack lunches, we will gladly work with you, just contact Charlotte Sewell or Laura Keller.

Thank you all!



Royal Lane Baptist Church

Sunday, October 25 ~ 4:00 - 5:00

Sponsored by the RLBC Youth and Fellowship Committee

Needed for Trick or Treat!

Individually wrapped candy, small prizes, or donations to purchase supplies.

You are encouraged to bring these donations when you bring items for Tango Tab.



Our dear youth pastor of 5 years, Tim Schaefer, is moving on to become the Pastor of First Baptist Church in Madison, Wisconsin. We are sad to see him go, but want to send him off with all of our love. So, please drive by with words of blessing and/or gifts on October 17th on the North side of the church.

COME CELEBRATE!

DRIVE BY
11:00-1:00

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RLBC: NORTH
PARKING LOT

PIZZA PARTY 4
YOUTH
11:00-1:00

IN FOCUS

October 14 – IN FOCUS

Beloved Community – Self-care and Mental Wellness during COVID

The Education Committee invites you to join us this Wednesday at 6:15 pm for our October IN FOCUS, “Beloved Community – Self-care and Mental Wellness during COVID.” Our special guests for the evening are Janna Deardorff, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, who practices in Seattle, Washington and Tracy Newton Wing, Licensed Professional Counselor who practices in Dallas, Texas. The panelists will share tips and ideas for mental health self-care while facing the long-term challenges of a world pandemic and also assessment tools to help determine when we need to reach out to others for wellness support. All questions are welcomed and may be submitted through the livestream chat platform.

October 21, 2020 – Quarterly Church Conference

The October Quarterly Church Conference will include a presentation by the Member Resource Committee of the 2020/2021 Church Leadership Roster for congregational approval. The Leadership Roster includes the names of the folks who are being nominated and who have agreed to serve on the various committees of the church.

November 1, All Saints’ Sunday

On Sunday, November 1, 2020, we will honor the saints of Royal Lane Baptist Church who have passed away since November 1 of 2019. If you have a family member you would like to honor in this service, please leave a message with the church office, 214-361-2809, by Wednesday, October 21 for listing in the Order of Worship. Include name, date of death, and your relationship to this person. We have gathered many names for this list. Please check with the church office to make sure we have included your family member.

You may also submit your remembrance requests by email to bmerry@royallane.org or jschultz@royallane.org in the church office.



Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

1. Re - joi - ce, ye pure in heart, re - joi - ce, give thanks and sing
 2. Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong men and maid - ens fair,
 3. Yes, on through life's long path, still sing - ing as ye go;
 4. At last the march shall end; the wea - ry ones shall rest;
 5. Praise God, who reigns on high, the Lord whom we a - dore,

be - neath the stan - dard of your God, the cross of Christ your King.
 raise high your free, ex - ult - ing song, God's won - drous praise de - clare.
 from youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.
 the pil - grims find their heav - en - ly home, Je - ru - sa - lem the blest.
 the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest, one God for - ev - er - more.

Re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce, give thanks and sing.
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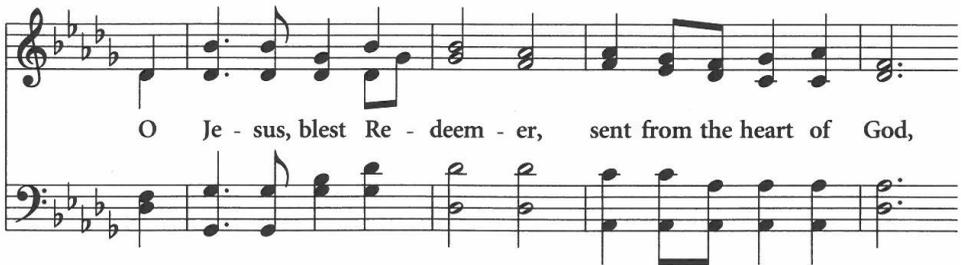
Near to the Heart of God



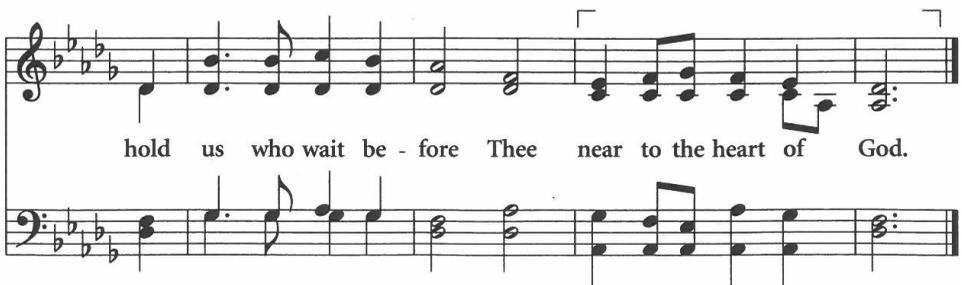
1. There is a place of qui - et rest, near to the heart of God,
2. There is a place of com - fort sweet, near to the heart of God,
3. There is a place of full re - lease, near to the heart of God,



a place where sin can - not mo - lest, near to the heart of God.
a place where we our Sav - ior meet, near to the heart of God.
a place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.



O Je - sus, blest Re - deem - er, sent from the heart of God,



hold us who wait be - fore Thee near to the heart of God.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and

low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully

known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alle-

luia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Scripture this morning is Philippians 4:1-9

4Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. ²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

(NRSV)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word... **Thanks be to God.**

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday** **October 11 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
At the Close of Worship – Special Church Conference
- 3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
 - 4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
 - 6:30 pm Middle School Sunday School — Zoom
 - 7:30 pm Deacons Meeting — Zoom
- Wednesday** **October 14**
- 6:00 pm Drop Off Lunch Sacks for October Missions Project &
Candy for Drive-Thru Trick or Treat (6:00 – 8:00 pm) — Parking Lot
 - 6:15 pm IN FOCUS – Livestream — Royal Lane YouTube Channel
Beloved Community – Self-care and Mental Wellness during COVID
 - 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir — Zoom
- Friday** **October 16**
- 12:00 pm Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
 - 7:00 pm Drop Off Lunch Sacks for October Missions Project &
Candy for Drive-Thru Trick or Treat (7:00 – 7:30 pm) — Parking Lot
 - 7:30 pm Candlelight Prayer Walk — Church Grounds
Please read Participation Guide prior to attending Prayer Walk
- Saturday** **October 17**
- 10:00 am Drop Off Lunch Sacks for October Missions Project &
Candy for Drive-Thru Trick or Treat (10:00 am – 12:00 pm)
 - 11:00 am Drive By Celebration for Tim — North Parking Lot (11:00 am – 1:00 pm)
 - 11:00 am Youth Pizza Party — North Parking Lot (11:00 am – 1:00 pm)
 - 2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom
 - 3:00 pm 3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
 - 8:00 pm Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
- Sunday** **October 18 – Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost / Children’s Sabbath**
- 9:45 am Foundation Stones Class — Zoom
 - 10:00 am 4-6-Year-Old Saturday School — Zoom
 - 10:00 am Women’s Share & Prayer — Zoom
 - 11:00 am Morning Worship — Livestream — Royal Lane YouTube Channel
Following Worship — Chat with the Pastor (Zoom Link in Livestream Chat)
 - 3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
 - 4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
 - 6:30 pm Middle School Sunday School — Zoom

Schedule

All In-Person activities have been suspended until further notice.
See the website for information and resources.
royallane.org

Prayer Requests

We invite you to use the Prayer Request Form,
available on the website at royallane.org/prayer

Deacons on Call

Charlotte Sewell & Amy Ward-Meier

When WE Give: we can express our love in acts of care.

August 2020 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues	\$ 522,107
Expenses	\$ 499,852
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 22,255

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