

ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 10, 2019

10:55 A.M.

Worship begins with the Chiming of the Hour and the Voluntary.

Please use this as a time of quiet reflection and prayer,

and to record your attendance in the blue booklet at the end of the pew, and pass it to others.

To help maintain the spirit of worship, please silence all electronic devices.

✠ – *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Chiming of the Hour

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

Approaching life with willingness to be surprised is a spiritual practice. We often think we know the results. When we believe we can predict the outcome, we start to underestimate ourselves, judge others and withdraw our faith from God. Sometimes, God asks us to be open to the possibilities, to take another look, and to try again. Like a boat full of fish or a calling to help out a new church or city, multitudes await us.

Voluntary

Kyrie, Holy Spirit — J. S. Bach

David Weigle

✠ Call to Worship

Congregation

Isaiah: surprised by the Holy One in the Temple—

A vision, a call, a response:

Here I am: Send me!

Paul: surprised by the Spirit at his hateful work—

An interruption, a challenge, a response:

I received from the Lord the word of grace I now proclaim!

Weary fisher folk: surprised by Jesus at their empty boats—

A sign, a promise, a response:

They left everything to follow!

Let us worship the One who finds us and surprises us.

†Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

Holy One, you are ready to meet us wherever we are in our lives, offering vision, interruptions, hope where we may least expect it. Surprise us as we worship today with unexpected grace that will change something in us — large or small — and send us into the world inspired and impassioned to do your work. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

†Hymn 476

Congregation

You Walk Along Our Shoreline — AURELIA

Scripture Lesson

Matt Orwig

Luke 5:1-11 (Pew Bible page 836 of the New Testament)

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

Time of Silent Reflection

Time for Young Disciples

Laura Keller

*Children through kindergarten are invited to Godly Play,
1st through 4th grade to Young Theologians.*

You may collect your children in the Children's Building following the service.

†Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Two Fishermen — LEAVE ALL THINGS BEHIND

Call to Confession

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

Let us turn to the most holy One and confess our sin, confident in God's faithful and steadfast love for us.

The Confession of Sin

You call us through the voices of the poor and the powerless, but we close ourselves off from their need:

Lord have mercy.

You call us through the cries of those who struggle to change structures of oppression, but we turn away from their challenge.

Christ have mercy.

You hint, you invite, you surround us with calls to love you more fully, and follow you more faithfully, but we cling to comfort and safety.

Lord have mercy.

(continued)

Silence Is Kept

Promise of Forgiveness

Friends, the call of God, like God's own grace, is new every day.

**Let us go forward with eyes and ears and hearts open
to the work of God in our world
and draw on the courage to create with God a just world for all.
Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 473

Congregation

Will You Come and Follow Me — KELVINGROVE

Prayers of the People

Paulette Harrison & Congregation

Children of God, let us lift our hearts in faith to the one who hears all prayers and holds close all those in need.

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

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

Silence Is Kept

Let us pray:

**Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence
and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring healing to all
wounds, make whole all that is broken, speak truth to all illusion, and
shed light in every darkness, that all creation will see your glory and
know your Christ. Amen.**

Anthem

Choir

Be Not Afraid — Taylor Davis

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you. Be not afraid, I've called you by name.

My love for you is ever-lasting, my love for you shall have no end.

When you walk through the waters, I will surround you.

When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed.

You are my child, you are so precious to me.

You are my child, and I'll love you always. Just hold my hand, and I'll lead you home.

When you feel lost, always remember: I am right here, just call out my name.

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ Let Down Your Nets ”

†Hymn of Commitment [see insert]

Congregation

When Jesus Walked beside the Shore — FOREST GREEN

*Please come forward during the singing of this hymn if you wish to confess or reaffirm
your faith or identify with this fellowship. A minister will greet and receive you.*

Offertory Prayer

Leonard Gresham

God, there are times in our lives when we feel as if we have fished all night and caught nothing. We did not receive the bonus or pay increase that we expected from our employer. We cannot seem to find a way to pay off our credit card debt. We are not able to even consider saving money. We spend sleepless nights worrying about our financial future. How are we to manage, Lord? You teach us to manage by placing our trust in you, by changing our habits, and by remaining open to the power of your Holy Spirit. Today, we offer you this gift of money. Beyond this gift, we pray that we may have the mindset of generous givers. We pray in the name of the one who embodies generous giving, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offertory

David Weigle

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring — J. S. Bach

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

†Sending Forth

Michael Gregg

Do not be afraid to put out into the deep water; we are not alone.

**We have partners in other boats beside us,
and Christ has gone before us.**

Let down your nets, expecting God's abundant provision.

We are not afraid!

Let us go and be fishers of people.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Fanfare Fugue — J. S. Bach

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IN FOCUS

Midweek Program – February 13, 2019

In observance of Black History Month, the “In Focus” program will be presented by Demetria McCain. Demetria will speak on fair housing issues in Dallas.

Abundant Life Movie Time

Abundant Lifers (and their friends) are invited to attend a showing of the 2017 movie “Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World” in Vickrey (Family) Hall on Friday, February 22. The screening will begin at 2 pm and should be over by 4 pm with a break and discussion about half way through. Narrated by Hugh Bonneville (Downton Abbey), this film brings to life the great adventure story of Luther's struggle, and particularly his ongoing drive to reform the Catholic church. Contact **Mike Jones** or **Bruce Luedke** with any questions or comments.

Martha Stearns Marshall Day of Preaching February 24, 2019 – Tiffany Pittman

Tiffany Pittman is the Director of Admissions at Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, and a member of the Alliance of Baptists board of directors, serving on the development and communications committees.

Beginning in 2007, Baptist Women in Ministry invited Baptist churches to participate in Martha Stearns Marshall Month of Preaching by having a woman preach during the month of February. This annual event has been a deeply significant source of joy and discovery for many churches as they have celebrated the giftedness of women. This annual preaching month is named for Martha Stearns Marshall, an eighteenth-century Separate Baptist woman. Royal Lane joins BWIM in this celebration on February 24, 2019, with Tiffany Pittman as preacher.



Q&A Luncheon will be held in Vickrey (Family) Hall following worship. (childcare provided)

Two Fishermen



1. Two fish - er - men, who lived a - long The Sea of Gal - i -
2. And as he walked a - long the shore, 'Twas James and John he'd
3. O Si - mon Pe - ter, An - drew, James, And John, be - lov - ed
4. And you, good Chris - tians, one and all, Who'd fol - low Je - sus'



lee, Stood by the shore to cast their nets In -
find; And these two sons of Zeb - e - dee Would
one, You heard Christ's call to speak good news Re -
way, Come, leave be - hind what keeps you bound To



to an age - less sea. Now, Je - sus watched them
leave their boats be - hind. Their work and all they
vealed to God's own Son. Su - san - na, Mar - y,
trap - pings of our day. And lis - ten as he



from a - far, Then called them each by name. It
held so dear They left be - side their nets. Their
Mag - da - lene, Who trav - eled with your Lord, You
calls your name To come and fol - low near, For



changed their lives, these sim - ple men; They'd nev - er be the same.
names they'd heard as Je - sus called; They came with - out re - gret.
min - is - tered to him with joy For he is God a - dored.
still he speaks in var - ied ways To those his call will hear.



Leave all things you have And come and fol - low

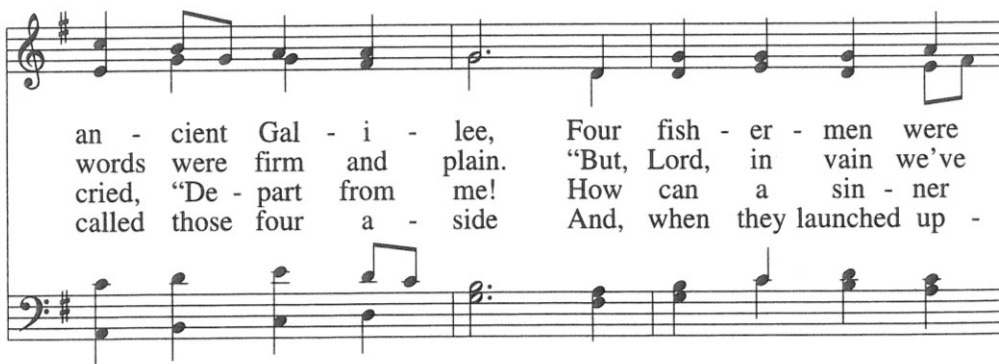


me, And come and fol - low me.

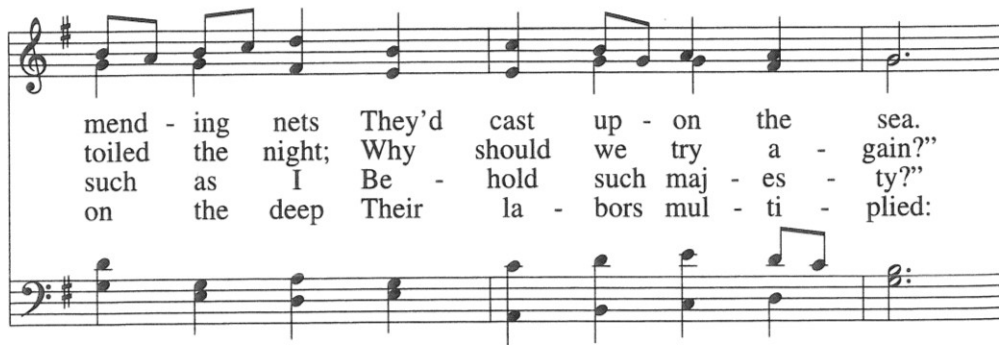
When Jesus Walked beside the Shore



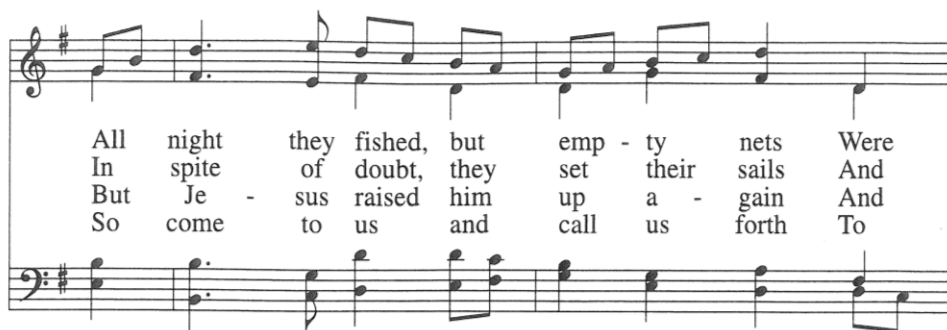
1. When Je - sus walked be - side the shore Of
 2. "Launch out a - gain up - on the sea!" His
 3. Then Pe - ter fell up - on his knees And
 4. O Mas - ter, as by Gal - i - lee You



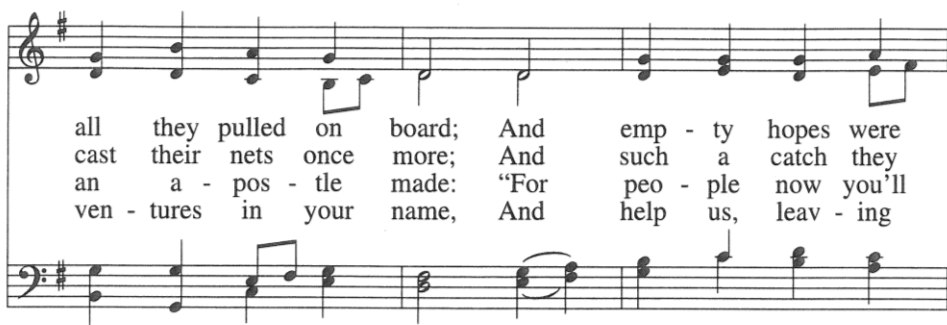
an - cient Gal - i - lee, Four fish - er - men were
 words were firm and plain. "But, Lord, in vain we've
 cried, "De - part from me! How can a sin - ner
 called those four a - side And, when they launched up -



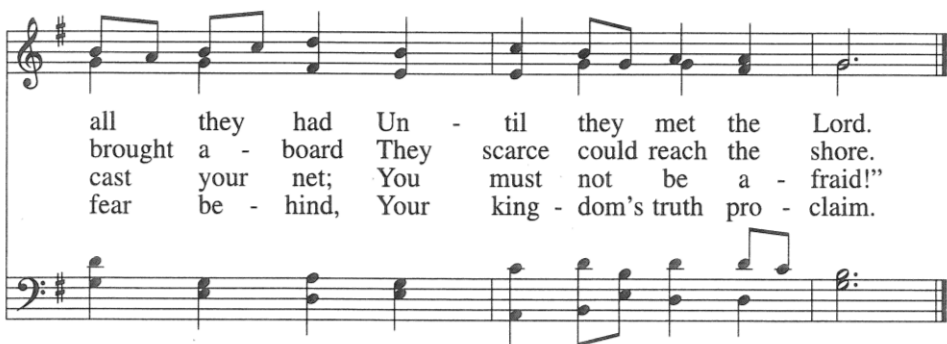
mend - ing nets They'd cast up - on the sea.
 toiled the night; Why should we try a - gain?"
 such as I Be - hold such maj - es - ty?"
 on the deep Their la - bors mul - ti - plied:



All night they fished, but emp - ty nets Were
 In spite of doubt, they set their sails And
 But Je - sus raised him up a - gain And
 So come to us and call us forth To



all they pulled on board; And emp - ty hopes were
 cast their nets once more; And such a catch they
 an a - pos - tle made: "For peo - ple now you'll
 ven - tures in your name, And help us, leav - ing



all they had Un - til they met the Lord.
 brought a - board They scarce could reach the shore.
 cast your net; You must not be a - fraid!"
 fear be - hind, Your king - dom's truth pro - claim.

Hymn Notes
Two Fishermen

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When Jesus Walked beside the Shore

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Worship Leaders

Leonard Gresham

Leonard was born in Sydney, Australia, where his family moved through the state of New South Wales and where he earned his hairdressing certification before leaving to work in London and travel throughout Europe. Returning home in the late 60's, he soon left again to work in Hong Kong, opening his first business, Leonard of Wellington Street. From Hong Kong, Leonard moved to Dallas in 1980 where he opened Leonard International in Prestonwood. After selling his business and leasing space in salons in Dallas, he returned to Sydney in 2000 and retired in 2010. Leonard then attended the Royal Art Society where he was able to learn and hone his painting skills. He also likes to read, cook and entertain friends. He married his lifelong partner, Steve, on November 13, 2014, in Oklahoma City and they now reside in Dallas, where they enjoy friends and family.

Matt Orwig

Matt and Melissa joined Royal Lane in September of 2010 and quickly became involved with the life of the church. Matt was ordained as a deacon in October of 2015 and a member of the Social Justice Team.

Study for Wednesday Evening

In Focus: Black History Month

Demetria McCain: Fair Housing Issues in Dallas

Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

Scriptures for Next Sunday

Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday February 10 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**
12:00 pm Women of the Church Lunch — Vickrey (Family) Hall
Men, Women, and Children are invited
12:15 pm Parents Meeting — Youth Basement (childcare provided)
- Tuesday February 12**
7:00 pm Social Justice Team Meeting – Faith in Texas Dallas Cluster
Santa Clara of Assisi Catholic Church
3221 Calumet Ave A, Dallas, TX 75211
8:30 pm Tech Committee — Conference Call
- Wednesday February 13**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Publicity/Outreach — Room 206
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey (Family) Hall
Beef Sour Cream Noodle Bake, Salad, Garlic Bread, Chocolate Trifle
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children’s Choir/Missions — Children’s Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service — Vickrey (Family) Hall
In Focus: Demetria McCain, Fair Housing Issues in Dallas
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
- Sunday February 17 – Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**
9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Vickrey (Family) Hall
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship – Tim Schaefer, preacher — Sanctuary

The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.

For the Children!

Children’s bulletins are available for ages 3-6 and 7-12.
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



Please recycle your order of worship in a marked bin.

Prayer Cards

We invite you to use the Prayer Cards, available in the “pockets” on the back of each pew, to submit prayer requests. These may be placed in the offering plate or handed to a minister or deacon of the week.

Deacons on Call

Paulette Harrison & Dennis Turnbull

Safety Shepherd – Ed Meier

Godly Play

Jan Quesada, Don & Patsy Meier

Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: during times of grief our church family remembers.

December 31, 2018 Financials

	YTD	Dec 2018
Budget/Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 702,660	\$58,554
Actual Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 702,965	\$83,957
Budget/Offerings & Revenues	\$ 800,880	\$63,188
Actual Offerings & Revenues	\$ 790,288	\$93,890
Expenses	\$ 800,196	\$58,532
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 9,908)	\$35,358

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Harry Wooten, Minister of Music and Worship

The Scripture this morning is Luke 5:1-11, which may be found on page 836 of the New Testament of 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, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He 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. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and 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." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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