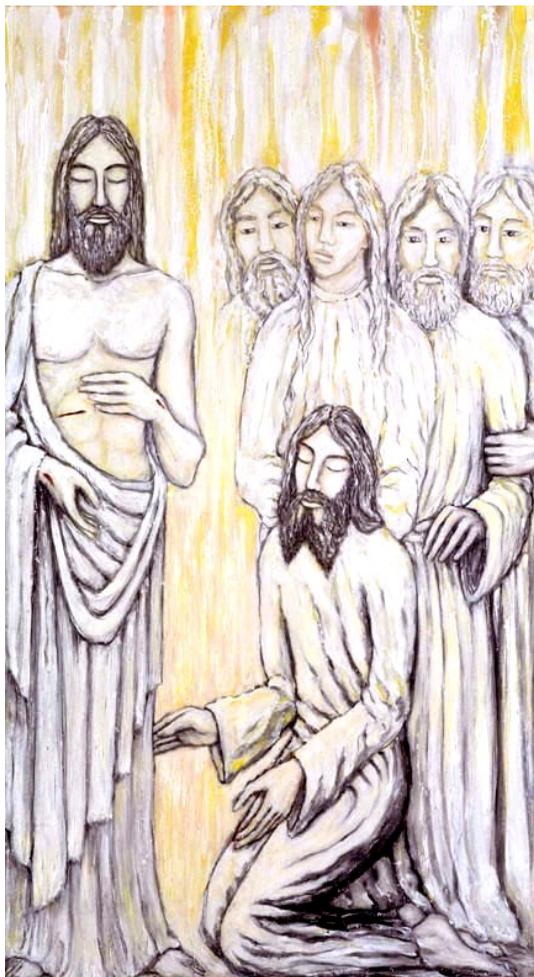


ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ



The Worship of God

Second Sunday of Easter

April 28, 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!**

Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed.

Certainly this refers to us. We hold in our hearts one whom we do not see in his body. He refers to us, but only if we follow up our faith with our works. Those people truly believe who express their belief through their works.

—Gregory the Great (540-604)

Voluntary

David Weigle

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow — arranged by Fred Bock

✠Call to Worship

Congregation

God's strong and loving hands are outstretched to all creation.

Let the world stretch forth and grasp God's hands with joy.

God's open hands are as the gate of righteousness.

Let us enter into God's abundant life and give thanks.

In God's hands are new life, strength, and salvation.

Let us be thankful and sing unto our God with gladness.

✠Invocation

Congregation

Let us pray:

O risen Christ, be with us this day. We recognize your wounded hands; they tell us that you know what it is to struggle and suffer, and to prevail in the power of love. We grasp those hands, that they may lead us together into a deeper place of peace. Our week has left worries, answerless questions, blatant injustices, and unexpected disappointments. We are weary. Come, O Risen Christ and receive our burdens as we empty our cares into your loving hands. Extend to us your joy. Amen! Alleluia!

†Hymn 222

Congregation

Thine Is the Glory — MACCABEUS

Scripture Lesson

Rebecca Rempert

John 20:19-31 (Pew Bible page 883 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

When Thomas Heard from Jesus — AURELIA

Call to Confession

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

When we keep our fears and faults locked up inside us, it is hard to be healed and receive new life. So let us open ourselves to God in confession, trusting the Lord's desire to give us peace.

The Confession of Sin

Let us pray:

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

Silence Is Kept

(continued)

Promise of Forgiveness

Christ comes with healing light into our locked places and shadowy hurts, resurrecting our spirits and breathing into us new life.

As God's own forgiven people, let us bring peace, forgiveness, and new life to the world in the name of Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

Hymn [see insert]

Congregation

Show Me Your Hands, Your Feet, Your Side — DETROIT

Prayers of the People

Tim Schaefer & Congregation

Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom.

Hear our intercessions.

For your church around the world,

we ask new life.

For all who carry out ministries in your church,

we ask grace and wisdom.

For Christians of every land,

we ask new unity in your name.

For Jews and Muslims and people of other faiths,

we ask your divine blessing.

For those who cannot believe,

we ask your faithful love.

For leaders and rulers in every land,

we ask your guidance.

For people who suffer and sorrow,

we ask your healing peace.

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:

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on the road. May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve. May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love. May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

We Walk by Faith — Jan Sanborn

*We walk by faith and not by sight. We trust in God and not in might.
For in our darkness He is light, We walk by faith and not by sight.*

Sometimes trials come our way. We don't know what to do or say.
But we know God will make a way if we will trust, trust and obey.

We trust in God and in His Son. What God has promised will be done.
And as each journey is begun His Holy Spirit makes us one.

We may not fully understand, but we are guided by His hand.
And as we follow faith's command, God leads us to the promised land.
—text: J. Paul Williams, based on II Corinthians 5:7-9

Sermon

Michael Gregg

“ The Show Me Disciple ”

†Hymn of Commitment 472

Congregation

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus — LEMMEL

*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

Karen Miller

Holy One, we do not doubt that Jesus, the Messiah, lives again. Yet only one short week from Easter, our thoughts are cluttered with finite, insignificant activities and agendas. Instead of remaining focused on the abundance of divine transformation, we return to a pessimistic mindset of scarcity. Refocus our attention on the joy of Easter, so that we may recognize all that we have received and be led to give cheerfully. We pray in the name of the risen Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offertory

David Weigle

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church

Michael Gregg

Affirmation: **Thanks be to God!**

†Sending Forth

Michael Gregg

By the power of your Spirit, O God,

fill us with the power of the risen Christ's wounded hands.

May that power make us one in you.

May that unity cause us to love as mightily as you.

May your love move us to use our hands as you do

**to do works of care and justice for your beloved earth
and all its people.**

Give us grace and strength for abundant life!

For this is the day that God has made,

let us go forth, rejoice, and be glad in it!

Amen!

Alleluia!

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

Erstanden Ist Der Heil'Ge Christ BWV 628 — J. S. Bach

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Hymn Notes

When Thomas Heard from Jesus

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Worship Leaders

Karen Miller

Karen is a retired Special Educator, with a long and diverse career in Richardson ISD. A life changing event in her life was the adoption of her daughter, Lauren, in Honduras. She loves being a part of the work of the Missions Committee and the Equity in Access task force. Teaching 3, 4 and 5-year-olds in Sunday School is a blessing. She was ordained as a deacon in October, 2018. She and Lauren feel at home here, and look forward to feeding and being fed by the diverse God centered people of Royal Lane for many years.

Rebecca Rempert

Rebecca has been a member of Royal Lane for 34 years and continues to be involved in various aspects of the church. Rebecca and her husband Ken were married at Royal Lane 33 years ago and have two children, Lauren who lives in Atlanta with her husband Rob, and Chris who lives in DC. Rebecca has been teaching music for 31 years and presently teaches at Grace Academy in Dallas. Rebecca and Ken like to travel in their spare time.

Church-Wide Rummage Sale May 3 & 4, 2019

Volunteers are needed to prepare for our upcoming church-wide Rummage Sale. Proceeds of this year's sale will go to the Royal Lane Missions Committee and will help to fund this summer's Youth Mission Trip.

Work Days:

Sunday, April 28 (12:30 - 3:30 PM) - sorting and pricing

Thursday, May 2 (9:00 AM - 3:30 PM) - rummage sale set-up

Friday, May 3 (8:00 AM - 6:00 PM) - sale day

Saturday, May 4 (8:00 AM - 2:00 PM) - sale day & clean-up

Donate:

March 31 - May 2

Volunteer:

Rummage Sale Sign Up - <https://tinyurl.com/y3k3wkpa>



When Thomas Heard from Jesus

1. When Thom-as heard from Je - sus, "Now come and fol - low me," he
 2. When Je - sus spoke of heav - en, bold Thom-as dared to say, "We
 3. When crowds be - gan to mur - mur and lead - ers raised their cry, brave
 4. What joy on Eas - ter eve - ning when man - y saw the Lord! Yet
 5. That man of faith saw Je - sus at break-fast by the sea; at

sure - ly went with glad - ness, for there was much to see. He
 don't know where you're go - ing! How can we know the way?" He
 Thom - as spoke out firm - ly, "Let's go with him and die." He
 Thom - as was not with them and would not trust their word. When
 Pen - te - cost he wit - nessed so oth - ers would be - lieve. O

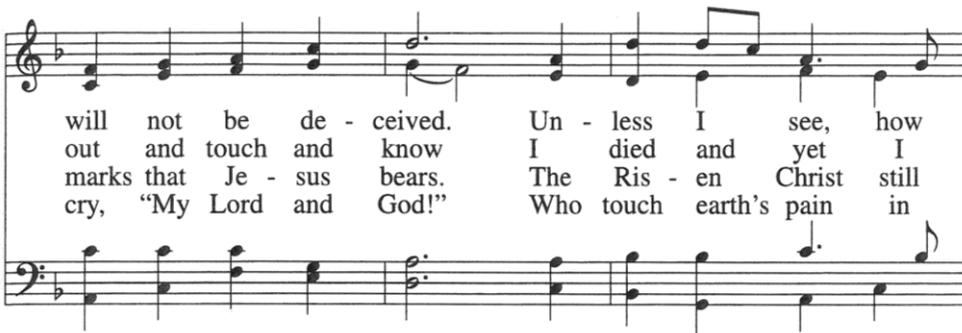
wit-nessed Je - sus' teach - ing and saw his heal - ing touch; he
 want - ed un - der - stand - ing of what he could not see. Then
 ate at Je - sus' ta - ble, par - tak - ing wine and bread; yet
 Christ ap-peared be - fore him, his doubts were quick - ly gone; he
 Lord, may we, like Thom - as, keep grow - ing day by day; in -

found a faith to guide him, a friend he loved so much.
 Je - sus re - as - sured him, "The way is here, through me."
 lat - er with the oth - ers, he saw the cross and fled.
 glad - ly knew that eve - ning the joy of Eas - ter dawn.
 crease our faith and guide us, for Lord, you are the Way.

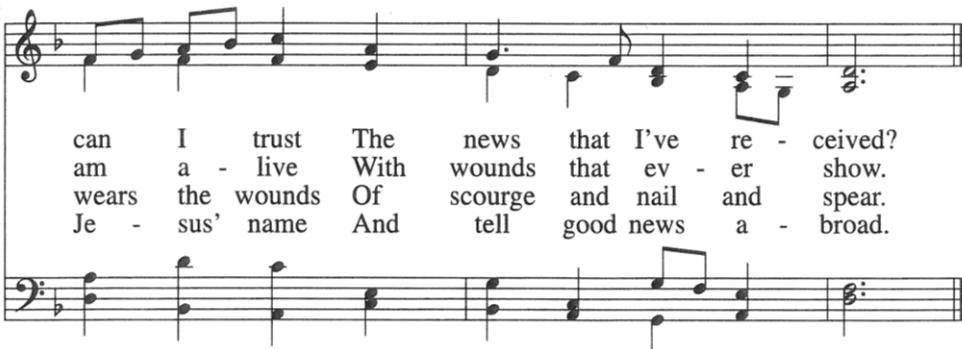
Show Me Your Hands, Your Feet, Your Side



1. Show me your hands, your feet, your side; I
2. Fear not! Let peace be in your soul. Reach
3. Not e - ven Eas - ter takes a - way The
4. So blessed are those who have not seen Yet



will not be de - ceived. Un - less I see, how
out and touch and know I died and yet I
marks that Je - sus bears. The Ris - en Christ still
cry, "My Lord and God!" Who touch earth's pain in



can I trust The news that I've re - ceived?
am a - live With wounds that ev - er show.
wears the wounds Of scourge and nail and spear.
Je - sus' name And tell good news a - broad.

Study for Wednesday Evening
Bible Study with Mike Gregg
Luke 3:1-38, The Baptism of Jesus

Join us at 5:30 for a Fellowship Meal

Scriptures for Next Sunday
Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19

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.



The Gathering – May

Sunday, May 5, is the day of the month we place emphasis on the needs of North Dallas Shared Ministries with the Gathering. Can't bring contributions on Sunday? Bring them any time and place in a basket in the Narthex, in Family Hall or in the Mission Collection Room.

Items needed this month: canned fruit, apple sauce pouches, tuna

Schedule for the Week

- Sunday April 28 – Second Sunday of Easter**
12:30 pm Rummage Sale Work Day — Portables (12:30 – 3:30 pm)
6:00 pm Connections Care Group — Home of JJ & Terry Berrier
- Tuesday April 30**
6:00 pm Personnel Committee — Library
- Wednesday May 1 – WOC Spring Retreat Registration Deadline**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall
Barbecue Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, Lemon Bars
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children’s Choir/Missions — Children’s Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg — Vickrey Hall
Luke 3:1-38, The Baptism of Jesus
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
- Thursday May 2**
9:00 am Rummage Sale Work Day — Portables (9:00 am – 3:30 pm)
- Friday May 3**
8:00 am Rummage Sale (8:00 am – 6:00 pm)
- Saturday May 4**
8:00 am Rummage Sale (8:00 am – 2:00 pm)
- Sunday May 5 – Third Sunday of Easter / Gathering**
9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship – Holy Communion offered — Sanctuary
12:15 pm Education Committee — Room 206

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

WOC Spring Retreat – Registration Deadline – May 1

Register online

<https://tinyurl.com/y4fq1bfl>



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

Rebecca Rempert & Karen Miller

Safety Shepherd – Jennifer Hammett

Godly Play

Shannon Simmons & Blake Miller

Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Cookie Stokes

When WE Give: we provide meals to seniors through Meals on Wheels!

February 28, 2019 Financials

	YTD	Feb 2019
Budget/Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 108,055	\$ 54,028
Actual Pledges & Plate Offerings	\$ 151,980	\$ 36,180
Budget/Offerings & Revenues	\$ 117,622	\$ 59,011
Actual Offerings & Revenues	\$ 164,140	\$ 40,524
Expenses	\$ 122,682	\$ 60,450
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 41,458	(\$ 19,926)

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Standard text message rates apply.

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David Weigle, Organist
Harry Wooten, Minister of Music and Worship

The Scripture this morning is John 20:19-31, which may be found on page 883 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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