Royal Lane Baptist Church

Diverse People United in Christ



Who is my neighbor? The neighbor was the Samaritan who approached the wounded man and made him his neighbor. The neighbor... is not he whom I find in my path, but rather he in whose path I place myself, he whom I approach and actively seek. —Gustavo Gutiérrez

The Worship of God Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 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!

This week's readings invite us to consider how love and compassion are the essences of living faithfully. They call us to shape our lives according to God's justice and mercy, striving for relationships that enable community. God's word has ultimate authority and responding to God's call for justice and compassion is everything. We are called to live into the reign of God, where every human being is treated with love and justice. As compassionate disciples, we love God with all our hearts and our neighbors as ourselves.

Voluntary

David Weigle

A Thousand Tongues — arranged by William C. McNair

Call to Worship

Melissa Walker-Luckett & Congregation

From New Testament times people have become disciples by confessing that Christ is Lord. In obedience to Jesus' command and in likeness to his example, they have been baptized.

Today we joyously receive a new disciple into Christ's church.

Through baptism we are brought into union with Christ, with each other, and with the church of every time and place.

We are buried with Christ that we may be raised to walk in newness of life.

God graces us with the gift of the Holy Spirit to forgive our sins, to cleanse us from all wrongs, to clothe us with God's own righteousness, and to strengthen us all our days.

We gain a new identity as children of God,

and receive a new life purpose in Christ-like ministry to others.

Let us each remember and rejoice in our own baptism as we join in receiving this new disciple into Christ and Christ's church.

The Ordinance of Christian Baptism

Becky Jeter

Baptismal Prayer

Merciful God, you call us by name and promise to each of us your constant love. Watch over your servant, Becky. Deepen her understanding of the gospel, strengthen her commitment to follow the way of Christ, and keep her in the faith and communion of your church. Increase her compassion for others, send her into the world in witness to your love, and bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#Hymn [see insert]

Who Is My Neighbor? — LOBE DEN HERREN

Scripture Lesson

Luke 10:25-37 (Pew Bible page 844 of the New Testament) Holy Wisdom, Holy Word ... Thanks be to God!

Time of Silent Reflection

Time for Young Disciples

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.

PHymn [see insert]

Congregation They Asked, "Who's My Neighbor?" — WHO'S MY NEIGHBOR

Call to Confession

Tim Schaefer & Congregation The psalmist asks a question: how long? How long will we live unjustly and show partiality, instead of loving as God has loved us? Trusting in that love, let us confess our transgressions to the Lord.

The Confession of Sin

God of grace:

When we see our neighbors in need and turn away,

forgive us.

When we are too busy, or too important, to get involved,

forgive us.

(continued)

Laura Keller

Congregation

Jamie Luckett

Congregation

Michael Gregg

When we try to discredit prophetic voices so that we can ignore them,

forgive us.

When we fail to measure up to being your people,

forgive us.

Silence Is Kept

Promise of Forgiveness

The triune God's unconditional love does not seek appearances or conditions, but loves in such a way, that we are restored to health and to wholeness.

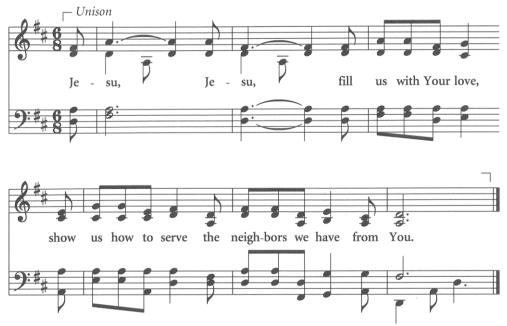
Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Prayers of the People

Harry Wooten & Congregation

We give you thanks, O God, for the many mercies of each day, for the kind word given freely, for the smile offered sincerely, for the simple moments when someone loves a neighbor.

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⁽continued)

We remember and pray for people who care for others, all of those whose compassionate attention to detail enhances another's life. R

In a new understanding of being a neighbor, we give thanks for what we receive freely from others who chose to be a neighbor to us, despite differences that may stand between us. We pray for a greater understanding and awareness that everyone is our neighbor. **R**

We give thanks for every opportunity to be a neighbor to others. We pray for justice for those who are mistreated.

In the many roads we've yet to walk, the journeys still to undertake, may we find our neighbors at every turn, and accept the ongoing surprise of your gospel, in the neighborhood of your reign. Amen.

Anthem

Choir

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Make Me a Channel of Your Peace — Sebastian Temple, arranged by Martin Neary (Prayer of St. Francis) Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred let me bring your love, where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

> O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life let me bring hope, where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.

Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life. Sermon

" Nearer to Your Neighbor "

Hymn of Commitment [see insert]

We Sing Your Praise, O Christ — FESTAL SONG

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

Offertory

Harry Hunter

More Love to Thee, O Christ — arranged by Carolyn Hamlin

Presentation of Decisions & Concerns of the Church Affirmation: Thanks be to God!

Sending Forth

How shall we live?

We will love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our being, and with all our mind.

How shall we love?

We will love our neighbor as ourselves. Who is our neighbor:

Our neighbor lies by the road in pain. Our neighbor goes to bed hungry.

Our neighbor has lost hope.

How shall we love our neighbor?

We will respond with love and compassion.

We will do what is needed to help others.

We will care for one another.

Amen.

Amen.

Organ Dismissal

David Weigle

And Can It Be — arranged by Anna Laura Page

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Michael Gregg

Congregation

David Weigle

Michael Gregg

Michael Gregg

Worship Leaders

Harry Hunter

Harry has been a member of RLBC since 2010. He is proud to call Royal Lane his spiritual home. He states he is truly blessed to serve the congregation as a deacon.

Jamie Luckett

Jamie joined Melissa Walker-Luckett as a member of RLBC in 1990, along with his two daughters, Amy and Amber. He has served as Deacon Chair and on various church committees. Jamie has been a Registered Nurse since 1981 and a Nurse Practitioner since 1998 and recently a Doctor of Nursing Practice, currently with Premise Health located in the Lockheed Martin MFC Facility in Grand Prairie. Jamie is proud to be the grandfather of grandsons Aidan, AJ and Luke, Rutledge and granddaughter, Avery. They are frequent visitors at RLBC.

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Hymn Notes

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They Asked, "Who's My Neighbor?"

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Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

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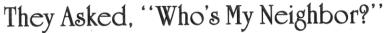
We Sing Your Praise, O Christ

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Called Church Conference Following Worship, Sunday, July 28

For the purpose of rescheduling the Quarterly Church Conference from July 24, 2019, to August 7, 2019. The Quarterly Church Conference will include the approval of the location of the Columbarium as presented by the Columbarium Team.





He asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Lk. 10:29





Schedule for the Week

Sunday	July 14 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	
XX77 1 1	Youth Depart for Mission Trip — Austin, TX	
Wednesday	July 17 – Mosaic	
5:00 pm	Youth Return from Mission Trip	
_	No Regular Wednesday Evening Activities	
Friday	July 19	
6:00 pm	Men of the Church – Bowling — Main Event	
_	3941 Central Expwy, Plano, TX 75023	
Sunday	July 21 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	
9:30 am	Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery	
9:45 am	Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1	
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary	
12:15 pm	Connections Care Group — Cantina Laredo	
-	Preston Royal, 6025 Royal Lane, Suite 250, Dallas, TX 75230	
The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.		

No Wednesday Evening Activities

Scriptures for Next Sunday Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

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 Cathy Webb & Harry Hunter Cookie Stokes & Pam Keith Safety Shepherd – Phil Keith Young Theologians – Laura Keller & Mike Keith

When WE Give: the community learns about RLBC through publicity!

May 2019 Financials

	YTD Actual	YTD Adjusted*
Revenues	\$ 315,526	\$ 273,761
Expenses	\$ 304,984	\$ 304,984
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 10,542	(\$ 31,223)

*One-Time Pledges Amortized Monthly

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Godly Play

The Scripture this morning is Luke 10:25-37, which may be found on

page 844 of the New Testament of the pew Bible.

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 26He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." 28And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." 29But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." (NRSV)

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