



# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

*Diverse People United in Christ*

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## ***Do You Want a Revolution?***

It was 1998 and I was a Junior in college in Nashville, TN. As a percussionist, I was knee deep in the Contemporary Christian Music world and had been invited to play on several worship albums. It was during this season of life that I stumbled upon a relatively new gospel artist named Kirk Franklin. Franklin debuted his first album in 1993 with The Family, a fabulous seventeen voice choir. His third, and arguably best album, The Nu Nation Project, was packed with many catchy singles that made their way onto the airwaves via contemporary Christian radio stations. The song I'd play in my old Ford Explorer on repeat with the windows rolled down was "Revolution." Not only did "Revolution" have a memorable tune and driving rhythm, Franklin's words were prophetic and applicable twenty-two years later.

Sick and tired of the Church, talkin' religion  
But yet we talk about each other, make a decision  
No more racism (No), two face-ism (No)  
No pollution (No), the solution (No)  
A revolution

Kirk Franklin is a native of Ft. Worth and now lives in Dallas. While driving with his wife through North Dallas on their way to dinner on Saturday, he passed by Royal Lane Baptist and pulled over. Franklin was so moved by what he saw on our lawn that he posted a video on his social media platform, Instagram, with Royal Lane's prominent stone sign along with our new roadside banner that supports black lives. In this video, Franklin showed our church's name, then the banner, and said to his 2 million followers, "It's a beautiful day."

Over the past several years, our congregation has invested time, energy, and equity into educating ourselves on how to be an anti-racist church. One of the most important components of being a leader in racial and economic change is education. The Education Committee and the Social Justice Team have helped to educate our predominately white congregation about the experience of people of color and the societal and institutional racism that is still present in our nation. Our next educational and conversational opportunity will be in August when Royal Lane joins with three other churches to discuss the book, "White Fragility." I hope you will participate in this virtual opportunity for growth and learning.

We are in a unique civil rights moment. We are called to be a people of faith that should not only talk about religion's role in ending prejudice and racism, but how we can, as members of Royal Lane Baptist Church on the corner of Hillcrest and Royal in North Dallas, be a people who are part of the solution, rather than the problem. I am grateful for the support of Kirk Franklin and his many followers in recognizing our solidarity with the black community. But it will take more than banners and book studies. It appears that it will take a revolution.

So, do we want a revolution? I hope so. Because if the revolution becomes the solution to make Dallas a place where all people, regardless of skin color, socio-economics, gender, orientation, or faith tradition, can experience equality and belovedness, then, once that revolution comes, it will indeed be a beautiful day.

*Pastor Mike*

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for August 5 & 19, 2020.  
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*

*Please Join Us For A*

# *Drive Through Baby Shower*

*HONORING*

## *Amanda Gregg*

*Saturday, July 25th  
9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.*

*Royal Lane Baptist Church  
6707 Royal Lane  
Dallas, TX 75230*

*Give a "shout out" to Amanda then enjoy curbside treats!*

*HOSTED BY: MARGARET DARDEN, PAULETTE HARRISON, REBECCA REMPert, CATHY WEBB*



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# Coming Events

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<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 17</b>
12:00 pm	Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 18</b>
10:00 am	Women's Share & Prayer — Zoom
2:00 pm	4-6 Year Old Saturday School — Zoom
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
3:00 pm	3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
8:00 pm	Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 19 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</b>
9:45 am	Foundation Stones — Zoom
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Livestream
3:00 pm	1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
4:00 pm	Formations Class — Zoom
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 21</b>
12:00 pm	Pastor's Book Group — Zoom
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 22</b>
6:00 pm	Quarterly Church Conference – Zoom
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir — Zoom
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 24</b>
12:00 pm	Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 25</b>
	Virtual Pride Event
9:00 am	Drive Through Baby Shower Honoring Amanda Gregg (9:00 – 10:30 am) — Church Parking Lot
2:00 pm	4-6 Year Old Saturday School — Zoom
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
3:00 pm	3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
8:00 pm	Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 26 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
	Virtual Pride Event
9:45 am	Foundation Stones — Zoom
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Livestream
3:00 pm	1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom
4:00 pm	Formations Class — Zoom
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 28</b>
12:00 pm	Pastor's Book Group — Zoom
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 30</b>
7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir — Zoom
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 31</b>
12:00 pm	Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>August 1</b>
10:00 am	Women's Share & Prayer — Zoom
2:00 pm	4-6 Year Old Saturday School — Zoom
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
3:00 pm	3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom
8:00 pm	Non-Traditional Class — Zoom

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

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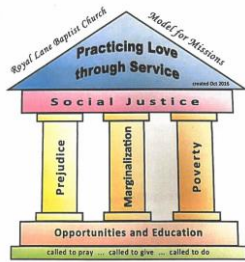
The Pastor's Book Group is currently reading *Take This Bread* by Sara Miles.

This is a great opportunity to read many New York Times Best Sellers while conversing with friends. Join us for laughter, learning, and lively conversation. Contact Mike Gregg if you wish to join this group.

Email: [mgregg@royallane.org](mailto:mgregg@royallane.org)

## Missions Matters

Royal Lane has a long history of answering God's call to love through service. "Missions Matters" will appear in the Mosaic on a regular basis. It will highlight our continuing commitment to missions and other matters where we reach out to the community. This will be a place where we will tell our stories and perhaps help you find what "matters" most to you.



Karen Miller would like YOUR story!

## May 2020 Financials

Revenues*	\$389,514
Expenses	\$321,631
Surplus (Deficit)	\$67,883

\*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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*Let's talk about*  
**WHITE FRAGILITY**  
WHY IT'S SO HARD  
FOR WHITE PEOPLE TO  
TALK ABOUT RACISM

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**AUGUST 5 - SEPTEMBER 9, 2020**  
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## ***Let's talk . . .***

Save your Wednesday evenings in August and September (August 5 – September 9) for our virtual conversation about race and white fragility. Copies of *White Fragility* by Robin DiAngelo are available for purchase online or in the Church Office. Books may be purchased in the Church Office on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at \$12.00 per copy. Registration will open in mid-July.



## Deacons of the Week

**July 12**

Melanie Ferguson

Garey Wisdom

**July 19**

Terry Berrier

Karen Miller

## All In-Person Midweek Services

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## Fellowship Meals Temporarily Suspended

**6:30 p.m. Wednesday**

**July 22**

Quarterly Church Conference  
Zoom

The Box Gallery  
is



*Temporarily  
Closed*

To change mail or email preferences for *The Mosaic*,  
contact Barbara Merry, [bmerry@royallane.org](mailto:bmerry@royallane.org).

## Scriptures of the Week

**July 12**

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalm 119:105-112

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

**July 19**

Genesis 28:10-19a

Psalm 139:1012, 23-24

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 6-43

## Happy Birthday!

**July**

Becky Jeter .....	15
Harrison Wooten .....	18
Jeff Dobbs .....	19
Cory Fleenor.....	19
Sandra Irwin .....	19
Bruce Luedke .....	20
Penelope Meier.....	21
Carson Gill .....	22
Turner Wooten .....	22
Forrest McKinney .....	23
Kelly Hall Page .....	23
Paulette Harrison.....	24
Jordan Stubblefield.....	24
Ed Meier.....	26
Sarah Johnson.....	26
Rhona Phillips .....	26
Andrea Nuss .....	27

**August**

Tessa Granowski .....	1
Patricia McNutt .....	1
Angela Hanes .....	2
Laurence Schultz.....	2
Bryan Chastain.....	3
James Faulkinbury .....	3
Steve Gonzalez.....	4



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**Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm**

**Sunday School: 9:45 am**

**Sunday Worship: 10:55 am**

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