



# ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

*Diverse People United in Christ*

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## ***What the World Needs Now***

(excerpt from Pastor Mike's upcoming May 2 sermon)

Does your life have a soundtrack? Often, The Beatles, Paul Simon, or John Denver provide a backdrop to my life. I hear songs in my head that help me make sense of the unbelievable things that happen in the world. With all of the violence, fear, misunderstanding, and hate I see all around us during this time, I've needed a soundtrack to soothe my soul. Do you know which song I've been singing to myself, humming in my mind? Dionne Warwick's "What the World Needs Now." She preaches a message of love better than any preacher when she sings, "What the world needs now is love, sweet love."

*What the world needs now is love, sweet love  
It's the only thing, that there's just too little of  
What the world needs now is love, sweet love,  
No, not just for some, but for everyone.*

That's what this world needs. Not some mystical, otherworldly love, but love that is making the life of each person better. Just as Dionne asks us to give love to all and not to a select a small few who we think deserve it, we are to strive to give love to everyone, everywhere, at all times.

Friends, I know it might be difficult on some days to find that love inside us, to love our enemies, or see others as God sees them. But that's why Jesus came, to show us what the world needs, to reveal to us that Jesus is among us, that God's love is among us. For us to see God here and now, we are to see each and every person, no matter who they are or what they have done, not matter who we are, or what we have done, in love, sweet love.

I'm entering the final weeks as your pastor. As I finish up, clear out my office, and sift through cherished memories, I recognize that I'm leaving as someone who was loved by you. And I hope I am leaving you as a congregation who has learned how to love better. The writer of John's first epistle says, "No one has ever seen God." Maybe not. But I have seen God in you. And we will continue to see God in the people around us, people who create hope, peace, justice, and goodwill, and "who are the face of God to us, who are the love of God for us, who are the presence of God with us." I pray we all, like Jesus, continue to give and show love, sweet love to everyone.

*Pastor Mike*

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for May 5 & 18, 2021.*

*The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*



### May 8 – Send Off for the Gregg Family

Please join us as we send the Gregg family off with well wishes and love. Come say goodbye on the lawn in the interior courtyard from 2-4 PM on Saturday May 8th. Please wear your mask so we can safely visit together and celebrate these last four and a half years with the Gregg family. We will have a basket for any cards and letters you would like to bring, and if you want to give a gift, any financial gifts would be a blessing as the Greggs begin this new chapter. We hope to see you all then!

## Honor Our Royal Lane Class of 2021 Graduates

SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021

DONATE TO THE BRUCE & ANNA MARIE LOWE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Link to the Scholarship Donation Form  
<https://forms.gle/ZfsvWLvpmzDSD5Kb7>

DONATIONS ARE DUE MAY 1, 2021



### Make a Donation Today

to

### The Bruce & Anna Marie Lowe Scholarship Fund

<https://bit.ly/3eLvqbC>

Royal Lane has 6 possible high school graduates for 2021.  
Scholarship(s) for 2021 will be awarded Sunday June 6, 2021.

Donations are due by May 1, 2021



# IN FOCUS

## IN FOCUS – May 12

### Creating a Culture of Radical Candor

The Education Committee invites you to join us Wednesday, May 12, at 6:15 for our May IN FOCUS. Beloved Community: Creating a Culture of Radical Candor. Engage with us as we discuss how to create a culture of compassionate candor, build cohesive teams, and achieve results collaboratively. Radical candor is needed for any relationship, team, or organization. Rev. Kristin Warthen, Minister of Family Ministries at White's Chapel, will guide us in conversation about Kim Scott's book, "Radical Candor."

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# Coming Events

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- Friday April 23**  
12:00 pm Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom  
5:00 pm Drive Through Pick Up of Reserved Ramadan Meals (5:00 – 6:00 pm)  
7:00 pm Ramadan Iftar Event — Zoom  
8:00 pm Sharing of Ramadan Meal — Zoom
- Saturday April 24**  
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom  
3:00 pm 3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — Zoom  
8:00 pm Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
- Sunday April 25 – Fourth Sunday of Easter / Earth Day**  
9:45 am Foundation Stones — Zoom  
10:00 am 4-6 Year Old Sunday School — Zoom  
10:00 am Women's Share & Prayer — Zoom  
11:00 am Morning Worship, Guest Preacher, Sarah Macias — Royal Lane Baptist Church YouTube Channel  
12:00 pm Youth Sunday School Class — Zoom  
3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom  
4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom  
7:00 p, Connections Care Group — Zoom
- Wednesday April 28**  
6:30 pm Midweek Bible Study – with Mike Gregg — Zoom  
Acts 5:12-6:7, The Apostles Before the Sanhedrin and Appointing of the Seven  
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Virtual
- Friday April 30**  
12:00 pm Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
- Saturday May 1**  
10:00 am Memorial Service, Ed Bright — Royal Lane YouTube Channel  
12:00 pm WOC Together Again (Brown Bag) Picnic — Church Grounds  
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom  
2:00 pm 3rd-5th Grade Saturday School — RLBC Campus  
8:00 pm Non-Traditional Class — Zoom
- Sunday May 2 – Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
9:30 am Education Division — Zoom  
9:45 am Foundation Stones — Zoom  
10:00 am 4-6 Year Old Sunday School — Zoom  
10:00 am Women's Share & Prayer — Zoom  
11:00 am Morning Worship — Royal Lane Baptist Church YouTube Channel  
12:00 pm Missions Division — Zoom,  
12:00 pm Youth Sunday School Class — Zoom  
3:00 pm 1st-2nd Grade Sunday School — Zoom  
4:00 pm Formations Class — Zoom
- Wednesday May 5 – Mosaic**  
6:30 pm Midweek Bible Study, Acts 6:8-7:60, The Ministry and Martyrdom of Stephen – with Mike Gregg — Zoom  
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Virtual
- Friday May 7**  
12:00 pm Midday Meditative Prayer — Zoom
- Saturday May 8**  
2:00 pm Questers Class — Zoom  
2:00 pm Send-Off for the Gregg Family — Church Grounds, Lawn of Interior Courtyard (2:00 – 4:00 pm)  
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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## Heads Up!

The church revenues during February and March barely covered our staff salaries. Please, if you can catch up on pledge offerings or your routine plate offerings, now is the time to help us catch up. If you can “pay it forward,” that would be helpful, also! We want to encourage all divisions to limit spending for now to absolutely necessary expenses. Hopefully, we can be on a firm financial foundation before we gather at the church in July.

*Nancy K. Ferrell, Treasurer*

*Memorial Service*  
*Saturday, May 1*  
*10:00 am – Royal Lane YouTube Channel*  
*for*  
*ED BRIGHT*  
*November 26, 1941 – May 1, 2020*

*Husband of*  
*SHEILA BRIGHT*

*Father of*  
*Lisa Bright Gill*  
*Laurie Bright Page*  
*Leslie Bright McKinney*

*Grandfather of*  
*Michael Page*  
*Carson Gill*  
*Sophie & Violette McKinney*

*Will be remembered by*  
*Family & Friends*  
*Nieces & Nephews*  
*Great Nieces & Nephews*  
*& Grandchildren*

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### How to Connect

See the Weekly Mosaic, Weekend Update or Web Calendar for Links and details for Zoom, Livestream and Virtual events —  
[royallane.org/resources/events](http://royallane.org/resources/events)  
Group hosts and leaders will provide links for events with no published link



### Women of the Church Picnic “Together Again” – Brown Bag Picnic Saturday, May 1, 12:00 pm

We'll gather to reminisce about the past year, make plans for the coming year and enjoy each other's company.

Bring your own lunch, wear your mask and we'll visit outside under our beautiful trees.

For more information, contact Karen Miller,  
[kmiller238@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kmiller238@sbcglobal.net)

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### Royal Lane Columbarium

Royal Lane is blessed to have a Columbarium available to its members and loved ones. The RLBC Columbarium is nestled in a lovely garden between the Cunningham Arcade, the Sanctuary, and the Library. It is a Spiritual Site that affords Church members, their families, and loved ones the opportunity to have their final resting place surrounded by their Church and faith community, which has been a central part of their lives.

Visit [royallane.org/columbarium](http://royallane.org/columbarium) or call the Church office at 214-361-2809, ext. 11 for an application.

## Deacons of the Week

**April 25**

Melissa Orwig

Blake Miller

**May 2**

Sarah Fuller Phillips

Karen Simmons

## Scriptures of the Week

**April 25**

Acts 4:5-12

1 John 3:16-24

Psalms 23

John 10:11-18

**May 2**

Acts 8:26-40

1 John 4:7-21

Psalms 22:25-31

John 15:1-8

## All In-Person Midweek Services & Fellowship Meals Temporarily Suspended

**6:15 p.m. Wednesday**

**April 28**

Acts 5:12-6:7

Mike Gregg

**May 5**

Acts 6:8-7:60

Mike Gregg

## February 2021 Financials

### YTD Actual

Revenues \$93,029

Expenses \$104,857

Surplus (Deficit) (\$11,828)

### Text "GIVE" to 214-609-1200

Follow the prompts to complete the process.  
Standard text message rates may apply.

Donate online at [royallane.org/give/](http://royallane.org/give/)

Giving menu includes:

General Fund

Columbarium

The Lowe Scholarship Fund

## Happy Birthday!

### April

Nancy Ferrell..... 24

Theresa Helms..... 29

### May

Jaxson Hill..... 1

Patsy Meier..... 1

Ken Rempert ..... 3



The Box Gallery  
is Temporarily Closed

To change mail or email preferences for *The Mosaic*, contact Barbara Merry, 214-361-2809, ext. 10 or [bmerry@royallane.org](mailto:bmerry@royallane.org).



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**Office Hours:**

**Monday - Friday: Open by Appointment**

**Wednesday Midweek: 6:30 pm - Zoom**

**Sunday School: Saturday & Sunday - Zoom**

**Sunday Worship: 11:00 am – Royal Lane YouTube Channel**

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