



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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The Mosaic

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Home Means Doing Hard Things

My daughters watched E.T. The Extraterrestrial for the first-time on Tuesday evening. Honestly, any movie with John Williams doing the soundtrack is a good movie. Annaleigh is my highly emotional child and she cried through the entire movie, from when E.T. died to the moment the doors closed to the spaceship and he went home. Beatrice, on the other hand, is my analytical child and had to answer all of Annaleigh's questions like, "What is E.T. building?" With Beatrice saying, "He's building a phone, of course." I feel like that's the rollercoaster we are on these days as a church and as a society. We need to use all of our intelligence just to keep up with the progress in the world, while the emotions of sadness, grief, and loss are huge and debilitating most days. We need all of who we are, our minds and our hearts, as we continue to do God's work through Royal Lane Baptist Church and in this city.

But one word that I heard in E.T. over and over again was the word "home." The little E.T. was abandoned and it hurt his heart. That was because he had a home that he missed. Yet, E.T. formed a bond with Elliott and made a new home. Also, Elliott didn't have a father at home and so E.T. was now his companion. When E.T. suffered, Elliott suffered. When E.T. learned, Elliott learned. When E.T. died, Elliott died inside. When E.T. left in the spaceship at the end of the movie, both of them were lonely, yet happy.

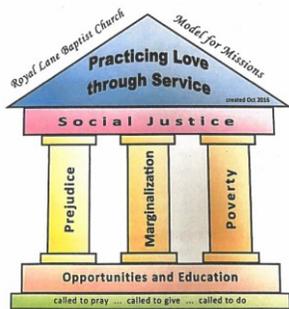
When we are dealing with places that we call home, it means that we often have to do hard things. And the reason things feel difficult is because of the familial connection created in homes. One of the hard things we had to do in this home called Royal Lane was eliminate the Properties Manager position. Mike Hurder has been with us for sixteen years. That means this church was his home and he was one of the family. When he hurt, we hurt. When he celebrated, we celebrated. As close friends and staff grieve his leaving, we all grieve. And that's the challenge when finding a home. That is the risk when finding a home.

The way that this church thrives into a broad and good future is by taking big risks. We are risking a staff position to be in a better financial position to continue to reach out into our community through our missions programming and vibrant ministries. Sometimes difficult and hard choices need to be made. And this is indeed difficult because we love Mike Hurder. And so, with a mix of our minds and our hearts, this important decision was made so that members can continue to call this place home far into the future and be a home for new people seeking our unique and inclusive message and outlook.

So, as we enter the rest of this season of Easter, let us remember that Jesus made his home with us and dwelt with us, as it says in the Gospel of John. And we, too, must continue to do hard things in order to be a place that can provide a home for all of God's people.

Pastor Mike

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for May 8 & 22, 2019.
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Tuesday prior to the date of publication.*



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!

Volunteer Story Forms available in the Church Office

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:

Saturday, April 27 (10:00 - 3:00 PM) - sorting and pricing

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

Donate

(please bring all items to the Northwest Portable)

March 31-May 2

Clothing	Dishes	Arts & Crafts Items
Scarves & Hats	Pots and Pans	Office Supplies
Belts & Ties	Travel Mugs	School Supplies
Purses & Handbags	Small Appliances	Books
Luggage	Home Décor	Movies/CDs
Linens	Hanging Art/Posters	Pet Supplies
Towels	Holiday Décor	Sports Equipment
Baby Items	Gift Wrap	Garden Tools
Toys	Electronics	Garden Pots

Volunteer:

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



Coming Events

- Sunday April 28 – Second Sunday of Easter**
 9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
 9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Library
 10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Connections Care Group — Home of JJ & Terry Berrier
- Tuesday April 30**
 6:00 pm Personnel Committee — Library
- Wednesday May 1 / Registration Deadline for WOC Spring Retreat**
 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 — Portable 2 (9:00 am – 3:30 pm)
- Friday May 3**
 8:00 am Churchwide Rummage Sale (8:00 am – 6:00 pm)
- Saturday May 4**
 8:00 am Churchwide Rummage Sale (8:00 am – 2:00 pm)
- Sunday May 5 – Third Sunday of Easter / The 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
 Ordination of Nathan Watts — The Good Shepherd UCC, Sahuarita, Arizona AZ
- Wednesday May 8 – Mosaic**
 3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
 5:30 pm Publicity/Outreach — Room 206
 5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner — Vickrey Hall
 Chicken and Rice, Salad, Rolls, Strawberry Cake
 6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
 6:15 pm Children's Choir/Missions — Children's Building
 6:15 pm Midweek Service – IN FOCUS: Mental Health Awareness — Vickrey Hall
 7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

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

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WEDNESDAY
MAY 22
 7:30 PM

Prayer Requests:

Kevin Blackburn, step-son-in-law of **Harry Hunter**
Aidan Brown
Dina DiMaria
Harry Hunter
Doug & Susie Leinneweber
Ruth May
Forrest McKinney
Gary Raiza, son, and **Jerry Raiza**, husband, of **Maebelle Raiza**
Danny Ray

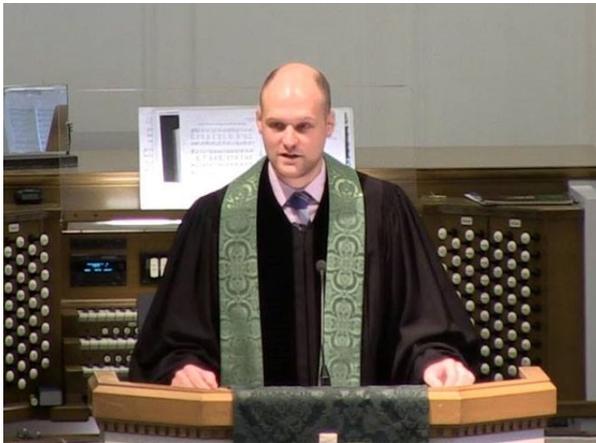
Steven Rhodes' niece, **Amber**
Janet Schultz & Family, on the death of her mother,
Fumiko Jones
Janet Schultz & Family, on the death of her cousin,
Lynda Jones
George Sturch, father of **Terry Berrier**
Ray & Sharon Vickrey
Jordan Weilage's friends & family: **Mehran, Keyvan, Shahin, Ladah & Family**

Please continue to pray for:

Jackie Arnold, sister of **Cathy Webb**; **Jerome Collins**, friend of **Mike Hurder**; **Robbye Foster's** brother, **Robert**; **Minnie Macias**, mother of **Rodney Macias**;

William "Oz" Osborne; **Robert Putman**; **Ray Thompson**, father of **Dan Thompson**; **Jordan Weilage**; **John Wolf**, Garland Pipe Organ

Remember the homebound: **Norman Morris**; **Betty Renfroe**; **Libba Studdard**; **James C. Walker**



Ordination of Tim Schaefer *May 12, 2019* *4:00 pm*

You are cordially invited to attend
the Ordination Service
into the Gospel Ministry
of Tim Schaefer.
Reception to follow in Vickrey Hall.



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

WOC Spring Retreat
Registration Deadline – May 1
Register online
<https://tinyurl.com/y4fqlbfl>



Coming Soon – New Member Class
9:45 am, Sundays in June, 2019

Deacons of the Week

April 28

Rebecca Rempert [214] 563-6535

Karen Miller [214] 724-0655

May 5

Cathy Webb [214] 354-4766

Harry Hunter [469] 662-1855

Scriptures of the Week

April 28

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

May 5

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

Midweek Service 6:15 p.m. Wednesday in Vickrey Hall

May 1

Bible Study with Mike Gregg

Luke 3:1-38, The Baptism of Jesus

May 8

IN FOCUS:

Mental Health Awareness

Join us for a Fellowship Meal
at 5:30 pm.

Midweek Menu

Wednesday, May 1

Barbecue Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, Lemon Bars

Wednesday, May 8

Chicken and Rice, Salad, Rolls, Strawberry Cake

Midweek Meal Prices

Adults - \$7 per person

Families - \$15 per family

Seniors - \$5 per person

*Menus are available on the
RLBC website calendar.*

Click on image for "Wednesday Night Suppers" in Upcoming Events for details.

Happy Birthday!

April

Ron Abbe.....	17
Dianna Stouffer	17
Nancy Ferrell.....	24
Theresa Helms.....	29

May

Jaxson Hill.....	1
Patsy Meier.....	1
Ken Rempert	3
Alex Kupres	4
Barbara Merry	5

In the Box Gallery

March 29 – June 28, 2019



Sherry Houpt

Gallery open by appointment
10-4, weekdays, 10-5 Wednesdays

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



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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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