



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Blown Away

Therefore, my dear sisters and brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:58

This verse from Corinthians is one of the places in scripture that has deep meaning for me, and in reflecting on it again recently, I thought about how the storms of life bruise and batter us every single day. Maybe the news of a medical condition swept you off your feet. Maybe you finished a busy day at work only to get home to dirty dishes, dirty laundry, and a pile of bills. Maybe you are wondering why the people around you continue to lie and bully their way through life. Maybe you are simply tired and worn out. It's on these days I lean into this Bible verse that reminds us to do the work of the Lord. And I not only want to do the work of the Lord because of some future resurrection or promise of heaven. I want to do the work of the Lord because people right here and right now need to feel like they are beloved. Our communities in Dallas are broken by unjust laws, hurtful actions, and irresponsible leaders. Our neighbors need us to stand firm in the Lord so that we can bring more possibilities, new life, and the hope of resurrection from their current struggles and situations.

As we stand strong in the Lord, even in the midst of the storms of life, I am reminded of the tornado that ravaged the church's neighborhood only a few short months ago. We received some structural damage to our steeple and our roof. But one of the main things that revealed the storm's power was the way the winds picked up the pergola outside of the kitchen. Many of us remember sitting under it when selling pumpkins at the pumpkin patch every year. The high winds picked up that pergola and shattered it into pieces. It was a stark reminder that the storms of life are strong and destructive.

Fred Binder has had plenty of storms blow through his life over the past several years. But he has stood firm in the love of God and the work of the Lord. And one way he showed this steadfastness was to purchase and rebuild the pergola for the church. So, on a sunny, Sunday afternoon, Fred, Harry Hunter, Jack Mullinax, and Mike Hurder faithfully put together the new pergola and attached it deep into the concrete. That pergola isn't going anywhere. Next time you're on campus, I invite you to go out and see it. It is a beautiful and sturdy reminder of God's love, and we are grateful for this pergola that will continue to give us hope when the winds shake us to our core. The pergola and the people of Royal Lane will stand firm against any storm that comes along.

We are challenged in the Bible to have hope and to stand firm in the work of the Lord. And despite the devastation and heartache we receive in this lifetime, we will rebuild, stand firm, and be the hands and feet of Jesus to everyone we meet. "Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

Pastor Mike

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for February 19 & March 4, 2020.
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*

WOC – Sunday, February 16

12:15 pm – Vickrey Hall

Grace Enough . . . to celebrate Valentine's Day with Rhonda Medina as "Dolly Parton".

All are Invited to a Soup Lunch!

Bring gift cards for homeless teens.

Any amount. \$5, \$10, \$25 – Target, Walmart, restaurants. Think like a Teenager!

Faith & Film

February 16, 2:30 – 4:30, Room 101

"The Hate U Give"

Starr Carter is constantly switching between two worlds: the poor, mostly black neighborhood where she lives and the rich, mostly white, prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officers. Now, facing pressures from all sides of the community, Starr must find her voice and stand up for what's right.

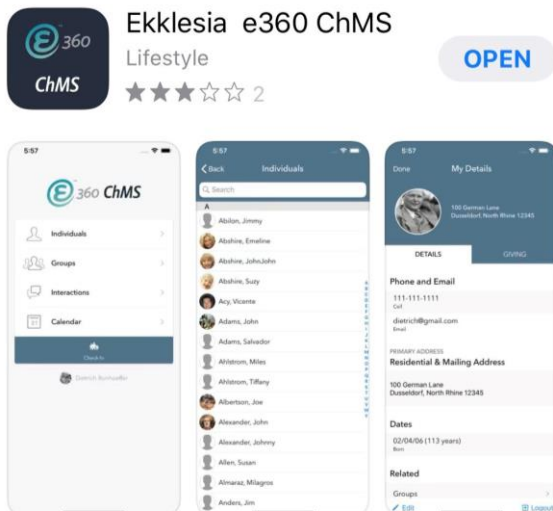


Discussion will be led by Janina Washington with assistance from the RLBC youth.

Stay Connected

Are you still using Realm? Make the swap! **Royal Lane's connection to Realm will be discontinued on February 21, 2020.**

Need to download the app for the Ekklesia e360 ChMS Member database? Here's what it looks like.



An "invite" with your login and temporary password was generated on January 30, 2020, to all who have not logged in to our new member database.

A colorful poster for a Mardi Gras fundraiser. It features the French phrase 'Laissez les bon temps rouler' in a cursive font. The poster is decorated with illustrations of a purple balloon, a green and yellow bunting banner, a purple and green masquerade mask, a yellow trumpet, and a green and yellow masquerade mask. The text at the bottom reads: 'PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS Annual Children & Youth Fundraiser RLBC FAT TUESDAY ON SUNDAY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020 @ 5 PM PANCAKES & KARAOKE IN VICKREY HALL'. There are small star icons scattered throughout the design.

Coming Events

- Sunday February 9 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**
8:30 am Deacons Meeting — Portable 1 (childcare provided)
9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
9:45 am Prayer Place Sunday School Class — Vickrey Hall
9:45 am Non-Traditional Sunday School Class — Room 206
10:55 am Morning Worship –**Martha Stearns Marshall Preacher, Rev. Robin Murray** — Sanctuary
12:00 pm Youth Return from Midwinter Retreat
12:15 pm Program Council — Vickrey Hall
- Tuesday February 11**
Pastor's Book Group Resumes March 3 with "Inspired" by Rachel Held Evans
- Wednesday February 12**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Publicity/Outreach — Room 206
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner – Pesto Chicken, Pasta, Salad, Apple Pie — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children's Activities — Children's Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – IN FOCUS — Vickrey Hall
Royal Lane Remembers: The Civil Rights '60s, a Conversation led by Dean Dickens
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
- Friday February 14**
10:00 am Second Friday at NDSM
- Saturday February 15**
9:00 am Men of the Church — Crossroads Diner
4:00 pm "Dinner for Dreaming" – Parents of Youth & Children — Home of Charlotte Sewell & Bryan Watson (4:00-7:00 pm)
Childcare provided at RLBC – 3:30 – 7:30 pm
- Sunday February 16 – Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**
9:30 am Donuts, Coffee/Juice — Box Gallery
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
9:45 am Prayer Place Sunday School Class — Vickrey Hall
9:45 am Non-Traditional Sunday School Class — Room 206
10:55 am Morning Worship –**Martha Stearns Marshall Preacher, Rev. Kristin Warthen** — Sanctuary
12:15 pm Women of the Church – Valentine's Day with "Dolly Parton" — Vickrey Hall
12:15 pm Third Sunday Youth Lunch (Meet in the Library following worship)
2:30 pm Faith & Film – "The Hate U Give" —Room 101 (Godly Play Room)
- Wednesday February 19 – Mosaic**
3:30 pm Holy Rollers Mission Project — Room 202
5:30 pm Midweek Family Dinner – Beef Stuffed Peppers, Rice, Salad, Chocolate Cake — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm Youth Activities/Study Hall — Youth Basement
6:15 pm Children's Activities — Children's Building
6:15 pm Midweek Service – Bible Study with Mike Gregg, Luke 12:35-59, Being Ready — Vickrey Hall
7:15 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary

*The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.
"Like" RLBC on Facebook or "Follow" RLBC on Twitter*

Hope Supply – February 22

Come join us on Saturday February 22nd from 9am-11am at Hope Supply! We will repackage diapers and Pull-Ups for families experiencing homelessness in our city. Bring your school-aged children if they want to help. Hope Supply has a job for all ages. Please sign up or let Charlotte Sewell know you want to come. Thank you!

Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/v3x8w8s>



Lent & Holy Week

Lenten Theme:

Traveling Light: From Suffering to Salvation...



Sunday February 23 – Fat Tuesday on Sunday
5:00 pm Royal Lane Mardi Gras & Karaoke — Vickrey Hall (5:00 – 7:00 pm)
Fundraiser for Children's and Youth Ministries

Wednesday February 26 – Ash Wednesday
6:15 pm Join us in Vickrey Hall as we transition, in prayer, to the Sanctuary
6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service — Sanctuary

Sundays March 1 – March 29 – First thru Fifth Sundays in Lent

Sunday April 5 – Palm/Passion Sunday
10:55 am Morning Worship – Procession of Palms — Sanctuary

Wednesday April 8
6:15 pm Children's Seder — Children's Building

Friday April 10 – Good Friday
5:30 pm Choir Dinner — Library
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
8:00 pm Good Friday Service – Holy Communion offered — Sanctuary (*childcare provided*)
A service of solemn remembrance & Communion
8:00 pm Children's Good Friday Service — Children's Building

Saturday April 11
2:00 pm Walk Through Holy Week & Easter Egg Hunt (2:00 – 4:00 pm)
For children and families to recount the events of Holy Week

Sunday April 12 – Easter Sunday
8:00 am Flowering of the Cross — Sanctuary & Front Lawn
8:30 am Church-wide Breakfast — Vickrey Hall
9:45 am Christian Education — Christian Education Classrooms & Portable 1
10:55 am Morning Worship — Sanctuary
Featuring Classic Brass & Percussion



Beloved Community Mission Trip June 3-7, 2020

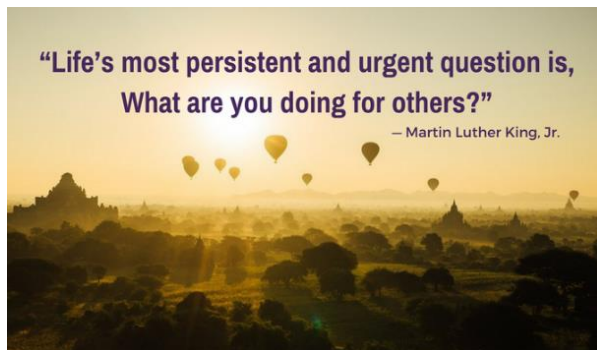
The Missions Committee is planning a trip to Brownsville, TX in June. We will work alongside faith communities at the border. We have planned for about 20 people from Royal Lane to travel there by bus. We hope you can join us.

Details and registration to follow.

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**"Life's most persistent and urgent question is,
What are you doing for others?"**

— Martin Luther King, Jr.



Deacons of the Week

February 9

Paulette Harrison
Cathy Walling

February 16

Jeff Hammett
Blake Miller

Scriptures of the Week

February 9

Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12) Psalm 112:1-9 (10)
1 Corinthians 2:1-2 (13-15) Matthew 5:13-20

February 16

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 119:1-8
1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Matthew 5:21-37

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

February 12

Royal Lane Remembers
The Civil Rights '60s

February 19

Bible Study
Luke 12:1-34, Discipleship and Parables

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

Midweek Menu

Wednesday, February 12
Pesto Chicken, Pasta, Salad, Apple Pie

Wednesday, February 19
Beef Stuffed Peppers, Rice, Salad,
Chocolate 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.*

In the Box Gallery

*Sharon Hodges &
Kay Wyne*



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

Happy Birthday!

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Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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