



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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The Mosaic

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Why We Take Our Kids to Church

I mentioned in my sermon last Sunday a post I read about the church losing its particularity. The essential point was: because God can be found anywhere, there's no need to go to church. You can find God in nature, in music, during a yoga session, or at Soul Cycle.

While I believe that God is everywhere, I don't believe the church has lost its particularity. It takes practice to find God everywhere, and the only way to notice God EVERYwhere is to practice noticing God SOMEwhere.

We take our kids to church not just because mom's a minister, but because we want them to learn to find God in church, and by doing so, learn to find God outside the church. *Going to church every week is a practice in noticing God's everywhere-ness.*

On Sundays, I tell my kids to look for God in the scriptures we read, the music we sing, the people we greet, and the bread and cup we eat and drink. It takes work, even for me, but God is always there, and I've found it's easier to find God when we're looking together.

I hope you'll keep joining us every Sunday and bring your children too if you have them. Let's practice noticing God together.

Peace to all of you,

Pastor Victoria

New Schedule: Mosaic to be distributed and posted on website on Thursday.

The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for February 2 & 16, 2023.

The deadline for submissions will be 9:00 a.m. Wednesday prior to the date of publication.

Marilee Vergati Haynes
Diversity
Exhibition of paintings

Artist Reception
Saturday, February 4, 2023
4:30pm – 6:30pm
The Box Gallery
Royal Lane Baptist Church



Join us for a complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres reception in the Box Gallery at Royal Lane Baptist Church. We will be featuring the solo exhibition *Diversity* by artist Marilee Vergati Haynes

The softened realism in Marilee Vergati Haynes' artwork has a fluidity of range and depth. Her abstractions are bold. Her colorful pointillism artwork is a masterful layering of thousands of ink dots. Her fantasy world comes alive with dragonflies, birds, trees, rain forests along with nuanced humanitarian and environmental messages. A fellow artist shared, "Marilee's pointillism has a visual rhythm like music. I wish I was able to hear her creating art."

By age six native Dallasite Ms. Haynes fell in love with art, writing and music. Fortunately, a Walt Disney animation artist noticed her drawing and suggested art lessons. An eccentric and talented graduate from the Chicago Art Institute became her first teacher. This early classical training served Ms. Haynes well. She studied at the University of Texas at Arlington, Texas A&M University-Commerce and SMU graduating with a double major in Fine Art and Graphic Communications. During the next 35 years she became a national and international award-winning art director and writer in the advertising field. This experience allowed her to collaborate with recognized photographers, filmmakers and illustrators.

In 2009 Ms. Haynes began her fine art career. She draws upon life experiences using a multitude of mediums: acrylic, markers, watercolors, pastels, color pencils and digital imaging. Her need to explore and experiment shows an artistic curiosity that is not bound by one style or medium. Her explorations take the viewer down many unexpected roads. Ms. Haynes is an award-winning artist exhibiting in a variety of shows at The Bath House Cultural Center Dallas, Latino Cultural Center, Art Centre of Plano and the Texas Visual Arts Association shows. After winning the IN3 International Initiatives Invitational--Art Worldwide her artwork was exhibited in Toscana Mediterranea at MG Vanni Gallery and at Museum Castello di Populonia in Tuscany. Currently her work can be seen in local and regional shows and galleries.



Coming Events

Sunday	January 22 – Third Sunday after Epiphany
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Christian Education Building
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:10 am	Non-Traditional Class — Room 212
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
12:15 pm	Children's Leadership and SS Teachers — Vickrey Hall
Wednesday	January 25
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building – Room 201 (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
	Menu: Beef Tacos with fixings, beans, rice, salad. Dessert – Tres Leches
6:00 pm	Midweek Gathering & Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Saturday	January 28
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
Sunday	January 29 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
9:45 am	Adult Christian Education — Christian Education Building
9:45 am	Children's Christian Education — Christian Education Building
10:00 am	Youth SS Class — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
10:10 am	Non-Traditional Class — Room 212
10:55 am	Morning Worship — Sanctuary or Royal Lane YouTube Channel
Wednesday	February 1 (<i>Announcements for February 2 Mosaic due in Church Office by 9:00 am</i>)
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building – Room 201 (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
6:00 pm	Midweek Gathering & Study — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Thursday	February 2 - Mosaic
Saturday	February 4
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
4:30 pm	Artist Reception — Box Gallery (4:30 – 6:30 pm)
	<i>The deadline for the order of service, the Midweek, and the Mosaic is Monday, 5:00 p.m. prior to publication.</i>
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How to Connect

See the Weekly Mosaic, Weekend Update or Web Calendar for Links and details for In-Person, Livestream, Virtual or Zoom events — royallane.org/resources/events
Group hosts and leaders will provide links for events with no published link.

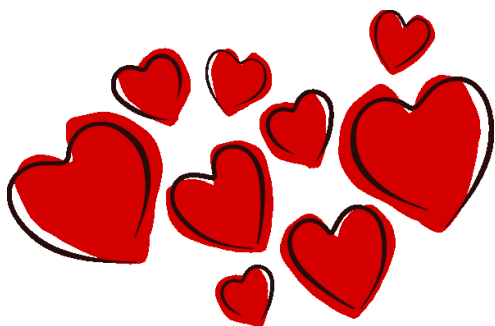
Make your pledge today at royallane.org/pledge

Pledge Update 1/18/2023
Total units pledged: 87
Total pledged: \$598,980



Welcome

Welcome New Members
Chloe McClendon and JT Martin
Joined January 8, 2023.



“Love is in the Air”

Women of the Church presents:

Valentine's Dinner, Vickrey Hall

Saturday, February 11, 6-8 pm (note time change)

Plan for an evening of food, fun and stories of love from people you love.

Garey Wisdom and Brad Carter

Judy and Jack Mullinax

Matt Powers and Victoria Robb Powers

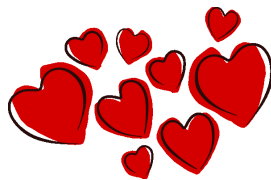
Childcare provided by
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Cookie Stokes

214-770-1637

Karen Miller

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Jonathan Merritt
Guest Preacher,
February 5, 2023

Following worship:
Q&A and Potluck Lunch
in
Vickrey Hall



Jonathan is an award-winning faith and culture writer who has published over 3,500 articles in outlets such as USA Today, The Washington Post, BuzzFeed and Christianity Today. He is a contributing writer for The Atlantic and The Week. His articles are viewed more than 2.5 million times each year. Jonathan has been interviewed by CNN, ABC World News, NPR, MSNBC, Fox News, and The New York Times and is author of several books including his newest book *Learning to Speak God from Scratch*. He was recently named one of 30 young leaders reshaping Christian leadership by Outreach magazine.

Known for his ability to tackle difficult issues through both the written and spoken word, Jonathan has become a sought-after speaker by universities, seminaries, churches, and conferences on cultural and religious issues. He holds a Master of Divinity from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (Wake Forest, North Carolina) and a Master of Theology from Emory University Candler School of Theology (Atlanta, Georgia). He resides in Brooklyn, New York.

Deacons of the Week

January 22

Dan Thompson

Kelley Keith

January 29

David Doom

Sandy Washington

Scriptures of the Week

January 22

Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalms 27:1, 4-9

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

January 29

Micah 6:1-8

Psalms 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

Midweek Program 6:00 p.m. Wednesday in Vickrey Hall

January 25 & February 5

Midweek Study

With

Victoria Robb Powers

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

Announcements, Birthday Celebrations
and Prayer Concerns at 6:00 pm.

December 2022 Financials

YTD Actual

Revenues* \$694,125

Expenses \$760,279

Surplus (Deficit) (\$ 66,154)

*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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Standard text message rates may apply.

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Giving menu includes:

General Fund

The Lowe Scholarship Fund

Columbarium



In the Box Gallery

January 29 – April 28

Reception – February 5

4:30 – 6:30 PM

Marilee Vergati Haynes

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.

Happy Birthday!

January

Jamie Luckett	22
Margaret Darden	25
Shirley James	25
Donna Ledgerwood	28
Victoria Robb Powers	28
Isela Chastain	29
Owen Keith	30
Danny Wesley Ray	30
Sarah Plunk	31

February

Ray Cox	1
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Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Wednesday Midweek: 6:15 pm

Christian Education: Saturday & Sunday

Sunday Worship: 10:55 am

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