



ROYAL LANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Diverse People United in Christ

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The Discipline of Delight

About a year ago, I had the privilege of meeting the New York Times bestselling author, Shauna Niequist. She was a retreat leader at a conference I attended, and she spoke to us about the “discipline of delight.”

Chasing delight is an important spiritual practice, she taught us, because it helps us to keep in mind that the harsh realities in life are not the only realities in life. That while life may be brutal, which it inevitably is, it can also, simultaneously, be beautiful.

Ever since then, I’ve worked to be intentional about finding delight. If not daily, at least weekly. When I was in New York last month, we had an evening free to spend as we wished, and I chose to “chase delight.” I had dinner with my good friend Jonathan Merritt at a fabulous restaurant in Manhattan called Ci Siamo. I ate the best onion torte accompanied by the best glass of wine, and we split to-die-for pasta and a dessert that cannot even be described. After, we saw “& Juliet” on Broadway which included music from my childhood, songs of which I still know every word.

I could not take the smile off my face the entire evening. It was pure delight, and it returned me to myself and to God. Chasing delight is not a form of escapism, it’s actually a practice in reality. I was reminded how wonderful things can be, and I was returned to my senses in the most beautiful of ways.

I don’t know how often you practice the discipline of delight, but I encourage you to take some time to do so soon. Remind yourself that the hard realities of life aren’t the only ones, and return yourself to life’s beauty, so you can remember when the going gets tough, what’s brutal is not all there is.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Victoria

Celebrate Pentecost
WEAR RED THIS SUNDAY!

*The next issues of The Mosaic are scheduled for June 8 & 22, 2023.
The deadline for submissions will be 5:00 p.m. Monday prior to the date of publication.*

The members and friends of

Royal Lane Baptist Church

extend our best wishes and hearty congratulations
to our Graduates & Scholarship Recipients.
May God bless you richly.

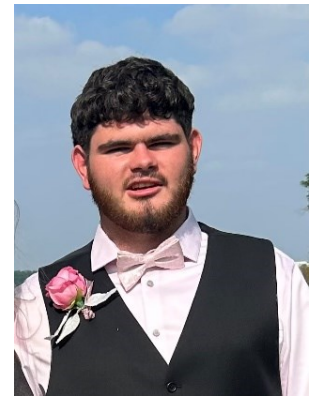


Carson Gill

Carson Gill is a senior at Plano Senior High School. She has been involved in choir most of her life, sang with the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas for several seasons, and is enjoying her A Capella group at school. She has been accepted to and will attend Texas Tech in the fall. She will be majoring in Psychology and plans a career in Pediatric Psychology.

James Robinson

James Robinson has attended Royal Lane since he was a young boy. He has been a part of the children and youth groups. He is graduating from Woodrow Wilson High School at the end of this month where he played one year of football, played first base and clean-up better and lead the team in RBI's, and was also a member of the Robotics club. He completed his years of scouting and recently became an Eagle Scout. He did his Eagle Scout project at Royal Lane. He plans to pursue a career in welding. James enjoys the outside and loves trucks and motorcycles.



Jordan Stubblefield

Jordan Stubblefield, daughter of Jane Stubblefield, graduated from the University of South Carolina on May 6th with her master's degree in viola performance with an emphasis on community engagement. While in South Carolina, Jordan played in many professional orchestras such as Aiken Symphony, Aiken Civic Orchestra, Rock Hill Symphony Orchestra, and Augusta Symphony. This summer you will find Jordan in the pit orchestra of Opera in the Ozarks in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Jordan aspires to play in various opera orchestras and to teach thriving students in her private studio. To prepare for auditions, Jordan will be pursuing an orchestral studies diploma at Roosevelt University in Chicago in the fall of 2023. In her spare time, Jordan enjoys taking care of her two hermit crabs, Lola and Ernie, and watching various Asian dramas.



Adam Visconti

Adam Visconti first came to Royal Lane in the summer of 2010 to intern with Harry Wooten as part of the requirements to earn his Bachelor of Music in Church Music and Instrumental Music from Baylor University. Continuing at Baylor, he then earned his Master of Science in Higher Education and Student Affairs in 2013. Most recently, Adam graduated from Vanderbilt University with his Doctor of Education in Leadership and Learning in Organizations as he walked across the stage last Friday, May 12, 2023. You can find Adam in the choir loft, and he is most grateful for the support of his family, friends, and Royal Lane community.



Coming Events

Sunday	May 28 – Pentecost Sunday
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 & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
	Godly Play – Following Time for Young Disciples — Godly Play Room

Called Church Conference – Sunday, May 28, 2023

Immediately following worship.

For the purpose of voting on the recommendation from
Personnel Committee for Minister to Children, Youth & Families.

Monday	May 29
	Church office closed for Memorial Day
Wednesday	May 31
3:30 pm	Holy Rollers — Christian Education Building – Room 201 (3:30 – 5:30 pm)
5:30 pm	Midweek Dinner — Vickrey Hall
	Menu: Spring Vegetable and Chicken Pasta served with Bread and a Salad. Dessert: Cheesecake
6:00 pm	Midweek Gathering & Study, "Chaplains Conversations" — Vickrey Hall & Zoom
7:00 pm	Youth Gathering — Youth Portable (Portable 1)
7:15 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal — Sanctuary
Saturday	June 3
2:00 pm	Questers Class — Zoom
Sunday	June 4 – Trinity Sunday
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, Holy Communion Offered — Sanctuary & Royal Lane YouTube Channel
	Godly Play – Following Time for Young Disciples — Godly Play Room
12:15 pm	Missions Division — Room 212
12:15 pm	First Sunday Youth Lunch
12:15 pm	First Sunday for Families of Children
7:30 pm	Education Division — Zoom
Wednesday	June 7
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, Rice, Beans, and a Salad. Desert: Vanilla Cake.
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	June 8 — Mosaic, Issue 37, No. 11
6:30 pm	Publicity/Outreach — Zoom
Saturday	June 10
9:00 am	Second Saturday Work Day (9:00 am – noon)
2:00 pm	Questers 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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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.

CHILDREN'S CAMP

This year RLBC kids will attend PASSPORTkids Camp.

Saturday–Tuesday, July 22–25

Children's Camp is for kids who have **completed third through sixth grade**. We will travel by bus to the Heart of Texas Baptist Camp and Conference Center near Brownwood. Campers will experience fun recreation, mission focused activities, high-energy worship, interactive Bible study and more, led by camp staff, Royal Lane chaperones will help supervise. Contact Kelley Keith at kkeith19@gmail.com

Chaperones needed.

Cost: \$250, a \$50 deposit guarantees a spot. Full payment due May 31.

Some scholarship assistance can be made available.

Contact Sandy Washington at sandy.washington@gmail.com



Blood Drive **Royal Lane Baptist Church**

Vickrey Hall
6707 Royal Lane
Dallas, TX 75230

Tuesday, June 20, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



“Traveling Shoes: Oils and Watercolors” by Sherry Houpt **June 4 through August 25, 2023**

Wine and Cheese Reception with Music by Stephen Houpt
June 24, 4:00-6:00 pm



Sherry Houpt is an award- winning Dallas artist who works primarily in oils and watercolor. She first put on “traveling shoes” to explore the woods and gardens surrounding her home in Tyler, Texas, and later, Abilene, Texas. Over the years, she has sketched and painted “en plein air” (outdoors) in Texas, the Southwest and Midwest.

Website: <https://www.sherryhoupt.com>

Deacons of the Week

May 28

Dan Thompson
Donna Wood-Martin

June 4

Rodney Macias
Kelley Keith

Scriptures of the Week

May 28

Acts 2:1-21
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
John 7:37-39

June 4

Genesis 1:1-2:4a
2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Psalm 8
Matthew 28:16-20

Midweek Program 6:15 p.m. *Wednesday* in Vickrey Hall

May 31 & June 7

"Holy Conversations"

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

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



In the Box Gallery
Opening June 4

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.

March 2023 Financials

	YTD Actual
Revenues*	\$ 241,756
Expenses	\$ 205,283
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 36,473

*Includes annual pledges paid up front in full.

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/

Giving menu includes:

General Fund
The Lowe Scholarship Fund
Columbarium
Children's Camp

Happy Birthday!

May

Marsha McRae	25
Jacque Wooten	27
Barrett Wooten	28
Jonate Cousin	29
Reann Tiemann	30
Blair Wooten	31

June

Chloe Clark-Soles	2
Socorro Gonzalez	5
Linda Cross	6

**Happy
Birthday**



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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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