

THE ROYAL POINCIANA CHAPEL

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Rev. Dr. Robert S. Norris, Senior Pastor

THE SERMONS WE SING

The greatness of God invites a response that moves people beyond mere words. And so, we sing.

About music the Protestant Reformer, Martin Luther, wrote: "Next to theology I give to music the highest place and honor. Music is the art of the prophets, the only art that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us." Whether it's a cantata; a hymn, an anthem or a doxology, whenever Christians gather to worship God, you'll find Christians singing. We know that singing must matter to God, because Scripture contains more than 500 references to singing, including 50 direct commands to sing to God.

On Sunday, October 13th, we began our fall worship series "The Sermons We Sing" with a wonderful and fun old fashion hymn sing led by Lloyd Mims and Stewart Foster. I invite you to give voice to more favorite Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs in the coming weeks. Of these I will be preaching ...

October 20

THE PROMISES THAT KEEP US

"Standing On The Promises Of God"

For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord calls to him. - Acts 2:38

October 27

WHEN THE DRAWBRIDGE GOES UNGUARDED

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. - Psalm 46:7

November 3

All Saints Day - Communion

With Renown Guest Organist - Diane Bish!

THE SAINTS ABOVE AND AROUND US

"For All The Saints Who From Their Labors Rest"

November 17

I'VE GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO YOUR GRACE

"Amazing Grace"

For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. - Ephesians 2:8

There is something unique about the marriage and synchrony of lyrics, melody and memory. Many of you have memorized a surprisingly large collection of the great hymns. By so doing, you have committed to memory some of the great truths and assurances of our faith. Such cognizant treasures are retained and there for us to draw and refer. Join us Sunday Mornings at 10:30 a.m. If you have been away for the summer, we welcome your return. Feel the pulse, the power, and the presence of God in worship through The Sermons We Sing!



Stewart W. Foster, Director of Music

We Welcome the Esteemed Diane Bish to the Chapel, Sunday November 3 for an All Saint's Hymn Festival Service for Morning Worship

Diane Bish is the most visible and influential classical organist performing today. Concert and recording artist, composer, conductor, and international television personality, Diane Bish displays her dazzling virtuosity and unique showmanship the world over to international acclaim.

Miss Bish's unparalleled achievements as a young performer gave her the credibility and determination to launch The Joy of Music international television series in 1982 as a platform for awareness and appreciation of "the king of instruments." Broadcast to over 300 million people around the world each week, The Joy of Music combines exhilarating organ and ensemble performances with an informative, inspirational narrative and exciting world travel.

In 2016, Miss Bish received the inaugural Distinguished Career Award from the New York City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists "for exemplary service to the organ, choral music, and related fields." That same year, she was named one of Celebrating Women International of Nassau, Bahamas' Women of Distinction, a title given to women who have made significant, world-wide contributions in the arts, human rights, business, sports, and other important fields. In 1989, Miss Bish was awarded the National Citation by the National Federation of Music Clubs of America.

A consummate church musician, Diane Bish served as senior organist and artist-in-residence at the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for over 20 years. While at Coral Ridge Church, she led the design of the 117-rank Ruffatti organ, recognized as one of the great organs in America. She was instrumental in developing one of the country's first church concert series and creating an annual church music workshop for musicians around the world. In 2016, she was honored with the title of Organist Emeritus.

Miss Bish has recorded on the foremost organs of the world and was the first American woman to record on the four organs of Freiburg Cathedral, Germany. Featured on over 30 of her recordings are music for organ and orchestra, brass and organ, great organ masterpieces, organ and harp, original works, and hymn arrangements. The sparkling creativity and artistry of Diane Bish are equally evident in her compositions. She has composed numerous solo pieces, arrangements, and full symphonic works that have received much acclaim and are performed regularly due to her ability to combine musical quality with accessibility.

Diane Bish began her study with Dorothy Addy in Wichita, Kansas, and continued as a student of Mildred Andrews at the University of Oklahoma. She was a recipient of Fulbright and French government grants for study in Amsterdam and Paris with Nadia Boulanger, Gustav Leonhardt and Marie Claire Alain. Diane Bish: First Lady of the Organ by Warren Woodruff was published in 1993.



Dr. Lowell M. Stike





Rev. Dr. Aaron P. Janklow, Executive Pastor

Sunday School for Adults Returns November 10, 9:15am to 10:15am, in the Seagull Cottage

This year, I am excited to dive into the Book of Genesis for our Sunday School for Adults. The Book of Genesis is not only the first book of the Bible, but provides a fascinating prism through which to get to know and understand our faith.

Beginning with creation, it takes us through the fall and flood, to the journeys of the Israelite patriarchs. Throughout, it tells of God's guidance and direction, speaking to the power of God to make good from bad, and triumph through every circumstance of life.

It is my goal, that through this class, you will gain familiarity with this Biblical book, understanding its contents and history, as well as the theological truths it contains. While it would be wonderful if participants were able to come weekly, each class will be designed to stand alone, so that you can attend as you are able.

For more information, please contact me at dr.apjanklow@royalpoincianachapel.org

A Note of Thanks!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Chapel!

Your generosity during the month of September helped the Chapel surpass its monthly goal and close the gap between our annual budgeted support and actual contributions. The Chapel has experienced yet another year of increased giving for which we are extremely thankful.

Your contributions are vital to the inspiring worship, music, and spiritual development programs offered by the Chapel each week. We are thankful that you are here and that you feel called to support us as you do. Without your presence, prayer, and support, we could not do all we do as we strive to be a light for Christ in this community and beyond.

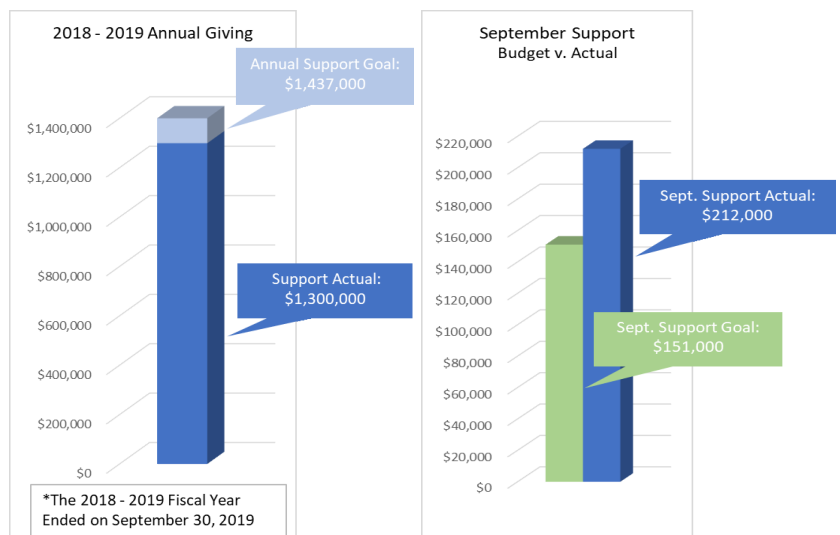
As we move into this new fiscal year, please know how much we appreciate your support. Thank you for all you do to make the Chapel the special place that it is.

With sincere appreciation
for all you do for the Chapel,

Rev. Dr. Robert S. Norris
Rev. Dr. Aaron P. Janklow
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Financial Snapshot as of September 30, 2019



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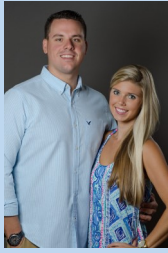
Results for 2018 - 2019

Annual Budgeted Support Goal:
\$1,437,000
Annual Actual Support Received:
\$1,300,000

Making a Contribution to the Chapel
May Be Done Using your Phone.



Or text RPC60 to 73256, or visit royalpoincianachapel.org and go to "Giving" on the top bar and select "Give".



Christian and Ashley Crandall, Directors of Youth and Children's Ministries

Welcome to the Royal Poinciana Chapel children and youth! And happy fall! We are very excited to begin this fall with an outreach project where we will directly impact those effected by hurricane Dorian. Throughout the month of October the children and youth will be collecting and assembling hygiene bags. The Kids Club group did a fantastic job on Tuesday, October 8th - many families jumped in and donated these items in order to support this wonderful cause. Should you feel led, we would love your participation as well!

The children of Sunday school were able to minister by song on Sunday, October 6th. They did a wonderful job shining the light of Jesus as they sang "I have decided to follow Jesus" and "How can I fear". Just before the children sang, Pastor Aaron gave the children a wonderful mini-sermon on God's love - what a blessing!

Our weekly classes are in full force - please join us for Kids Club, Friday Night Live, The Gathering, and Sunday School. We would love to see you and your family!

Blessings!

Christian & Ashley Crandall



Sunday School: Sundays at 10:30am (open to newborn through 12th grades)

Kids Club: Tuesdays from 4pm-5:15pm (open to newborn through 4th grades)

FNL & The Gathering: Fridays from 6pm-8pm (open to middle & high school students)

Volunteers are needed for weekly children and youth programs.

Please contact Ashley Crandall for more information: admin@rpckids.com



Want to be added to our email list to receive weekly children and youth happenings? Please email admin@rpckids.com

CHAPEL COLLECTION FOR HURRICANE DORIAN VICTIMS IN THE BAHAMAS

We are collecting specific items for The Eagles' Wings Foundation, a multi-faith certified public foundation, with 100% of donations going to relief efforts. Scott Lewis and his organization are very well known for their immediate response and high impact relief efforts following disasters in the Caribbean and Bahamas,

The Chapel is collecting the following donations:

tarps, nails, hammers, wrenches, batteries, battery operated lights, solar lights, camp stoves, butane cans, small BBQ grills, Tylenol and Advil, bandages, antibiotic ointment, bleach, mosquito nets and spray, towels, sheets, blankets, air mattresses and pumps, toilet paper, paper towels and tissues.

Please no clothing donations. You can drop off items in the reception area during the week or Sundays.

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!!

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CHAPEL BBQ, FELLOWSHIP AND KIDS CARNIVAL



Sunday, October 27th

*Following Worship @ 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Fellowship Hall, Garden Terrace & Great Lawn*

Picnic Lunch Catered by PA BBQ Grille

Ribs, Chicken, Slaw, Cornbread, Mac and Cheese, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Cookies

**Activities for the Kids on the Garden Terrace and Great Lawn
Bounce House, Balloon Artist, Snow Cones, Popcorn, Cotton Candy**

Adult Tickets: \$15.00 Kid Tickets (ages 3-9) \$5.00 activities and food

**** Dress is Casual ****