

PASTOR ZAHRTE'S WEEKLY UPDATE

JANUARY 8, 2026

a message worth sharing...

FAITH AT WORK

Connecting Your Work to God's Word

Living as a Servant @ Work

The Kingdom of God is sometimes counter-intuitive; dying to self brings life, true wealth is the result of giving things away, the way to the front is taking a seat in the back, and people who mourn are called blessed. And that is true for the workplace, too. Pastor Mark continues our sermon series, "Faith @ Work", as he preaches this weekend on Living as a Servant @ Work.

YTD AMOUNT GIVEN		YTD AMOUNT SPENT	
Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
\$680,181	\$950,483	\$699,397	\$831,894

school finances not included

Night to Shine Needs Buddies

We still need **40 Buddies for Night to Shine**. Buddies spend the evening being companions to our guests. Each guest needs a buddy to keep them safe, and to escort them to Karaoke, limo rides, crafts, formal photos, shoeshines, makeup, and the highly anticipated dance floor. Most of all, buddies show our guests how valued and loved they are. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Buddy. We also would appreciate your financial support. You can sponsor a guest for \$75 or sponsor a guest & buddy for \$150 by **January 26**. Any amount is greatly appreciated! Visit www.royred.org/nts to donate and volunteer.

Couples Date Night

Couples, y'all ready for some down-home fun on **Saturday, January 24**? For just \$5 per person, you'll enjoy homemade soups, salad and desserts, along with a photo booth and a hot chocolate bar. You'll also learn some country line dances from an instructor. Registration and pre-payment are required and closes on **January 19**. Our marriage ministry team is hosting this event.

events & opportunities...

JANUARY

- 8 Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 9 Last day to donate formal wear for NTS
- 10 Night to Shine Prom Boutique
- 17 We to Me event, 12:30, Room 102
- 18 Life with God Sunday session begins, 11:15am
[Register here](#)
High School youth group, 7-8:30pm
PickleBall & Jesus, 5:45-8pm [Register here](#)
- 20 Life with God Tuesday session begins, 7pm
[Register here](#)
- 22 Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 24 Couples date night event, 6-8:30pm, CAC
[Register here](#)
- 25 Baby bottles due back at church
National Lutheran Schools Week begins
RRLS students sing at all services
- 28 5th & 6th Summit Night, 7-8:30pm [Register here](#)
- 30 RRLS PTO dinner & game night event



FEBRUARY

- 1 HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
- 4 Royal Beginnings starts, 9-10:30am (Parent & Me); email myanke@royred.org if interested
LEGO Club, 6pm [Register here](#)
- 8 "Soup-er" Bowl Sunday fundraiser event
- 12 Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 13 Night to Shine
- 13-15 High School & Confirmation WinterWave retreat, Beulah Beach
- 15 DR mission team commissioning, 11am
HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
- 18 **ASH WEDNESDAY**
Traditional, Noon & 6:30pm
Contemporary, 7pm
- 26 Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm

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