

March 17, 2018 4:00 pm Afternoon Worship Royal Oak First United Methodist Church www.rofum.org • 248-541-4100

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn Sing #404	Every Time I Feel the Spirit	UMH*	
Call to Worship		Bob Prud'homme	
Sung Response #84	1 Thank You, Lord	UMH	
Greeting Your Neigh	bor		
Invitation to Mission			
Time of Prayer			
Music Ministry	All God's Critters Canticle	Bill Staines	
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes			
Musical Offering	<i>Wana Baraka</i> Canticle	arr. Shawn Kirchner	
Doxology #95		UMH	
Scripture	Luke 9:23-25	CEB**	
Message N	lore Than Just a Cross to Be	ar Myra Moreland	
Song	Crafted and Called	Caleb Williams	

* United Methodist Hymnal ** Common English Bible

HOLY WEEK SPECIAL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE MARCH 29, 7:00 PM

> GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE MARCH 30, 12:00 PM

7 LAST WORDS POETRY & ARTS NIGHT MARCH 30, 7:00 PM

> EASTER WEEKEND SERVICES MARCH 31, 4:00 PM APRIL 1, 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Last Fish Dinner!

4:30-7:00 pm

March 23

Service Opportunities with South Oakland Shelter



Contact Laurie O'Donnell at Iodonnell@rofum.org

HANDS4ROYALOAK



Saturday, May 19

We are going out into the Royal Oak First community to help families complete small projects around their house. Homeowners will supply the materials and Royal Oak First volunteers will do the work. If you or someone you know could use a little help, fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, turn it in to the church office, or send the information to Hands4RoyalOak@rofum.org by April 8.

Hands4RoyalOak Job Requests

Name:	
Address:	City:
Phone:I	Email:
Circle the job(s) requested: • Replace furnace filter • Clean or repair gutters • Replace electrical fixtures • Install smoke detectors • Minor plumbing • Clean windows or install scree • Repair drywall • Install grab bar or handrail Other:	 Minor painting Spring yard work Repair or install towel bars Replace door locks or hardware Clean or repair dryer vent Install shelving Hang pictures Any other job? Just ask.

EVENTS

Last Chance for Fish Dinners March 23, 4:30 - 7:00 pm

Be sure to join us on March 23 for our wonderful night of food and fellowship. Adult meals start at just \$10. Flyers with more information are available in Fellowship Hall.

United Methodist Women Cookie Walk

March 23, 4:30 - 7:00 pm



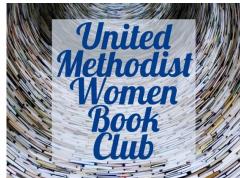
United Methodist Women will be putting on a Cookie Walk during the last Fish Dinner on Friday, March 23. Come and pick out your favorite cookies and help fund mission projects here and abroad.

Bakers, please turn in your cookies before 1:00 pm on Friday. Label cookies if they have nuts. All donations are welcome.

Contact Cathy Baker at 248-288-2125 if you have any questions.

United Methodist Women Book Discussion Group Wednesday, March 21, 10:00 am

All are welcome to join us as we explore the meaningful story of *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio. It is the story of a home-schooled fifth grader living with a special medical condition. He is enrolled at a middle school and he and his family face many challenges. The story is a wonderful spur for the reader to embrace understanding and kindness. Contact Mary Nahhat at 248-546-6230 with any questions.





Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 1, 10:30 am



Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30 am on Easter Sunday, April 1. The eggs will be hidden in the park on S. West St, between 5th and 6th Streets. In case of inclement weather, the egg hunt will take place in the Fellowship Hall. A collection bin is in Fellowship Hall for donations of candy and plastic eggs. Contact Danielle Moody at dmoody@rofum.org if you have any questions.

Graduation Sunday Sunday, May 6

Each year, we honor our high school and college graduates as they begin to embark on new adventures. Be sure to join us for this special Sunday as we celebrate the accomplishments of our young members.

If you or your child are graduating from high school or college, please send a picture of the graduate and their plans for the future to dmoody@rofum.org.

Fun For All March 24, 5:00 - 7:00 pm





Everyone needs to have ways to take time for ourselves. Come and learn how to relax and breathe with some fun yoga! You will be able to create something special that will remind you of how wonderful and special you are! Music and food included! Come and join the fun! Contact Laurie O'Donnell at lodonnell@rofum.org if you have any questions.

OPPORTUNITIES

Collection for Common Ground Sanctuary

So far this Lenten season, we have collected 160 pillows, and 142 pillowcases for the kids at Common Ground Sanctuary in Royal Oak. We have one Sunday left in Lent. Let's get to 200! Bring new pillows and pillowcases to church with you next weekend, or drop them off during office hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Join the party and help bring joy to kids and teens in crisis.



Teach Computer Skills at Redford Brightmoor Saturdays, 9:30 am – 1:00 pm



The new computer lab at the Redford Brightmoor Initiative (RBI) has service opportunities for people with basic computer skills. You will have the opportunity to teach people the basics of Microsoft Office, resumé building (especially using Indeed), and using the internet to search and find solutions. One-time and recurring opportunities are available for anyone interested. To serve, contact Mary Pickett with RBI at 248-229-1459, or contact Astrid Harrod on the Royal Oak First missions committee at 248-635-6357 or asharrod@gmail.com.

South Oakland Shelter Volunteer Opportunities Sunday, April 1 – Sunday, April 8

South Oakland Shelter (SOS) is a traveling homeless shelter created to serve individuals and families that are experiencing homelessness. We have partnered with our neighbor, St. Paul Lutheran Church, as they open their facility for the week of April 1 through April 8. We have 100 service opportunities to provide drivers; dinner, breakfast, and bag lunch cooks; night attendants (men and women); and bedding linen washing.

We hope you take this opportunity to strengthen our ties to the community and make new friends at St. Paul and SOS. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact Laurie O'Donnell at Iodonnell@rofum.org.



Volunteer Opportunities

PRAYER LIST

Prayers for our church family: Howard Emorey; Joe Gardner; Carl & Shirley Shafer; Ann Anderson; John Guilmet; Christina Smith; Don and Marilyn McCreedy; Gerald Elliot; Mike Johnson; Ann Moser; John Dorsey; Diana Shornak; Patti Cooper-Koerner; Ray & Betty Lawson; Jon & Lisa Rye; Sherry & Bob Giles; The Lowman Family; Art Miller; Pam Shewchuck; Bob Demyanovich; Marilyn Hocking

Prayers for our extended family: Bob Graeber; Pam Heath; Don Parsons; Kirt Taylor; Ethan Meade; Karen Halsig; Jonah Newblatt; Al Janney; Jerry Oberlander; Tim Walbridge; Harold Baker; Laura Vroman; Josh Williamson; Greg Lynn; Stewart Francke; Sarah Tamm; Shirley Gnegy; Marlene Yates; Cathy Wyker; Bill Kincannon; Richard Hoglund; Charles Prud'homme

Hospitalized: Ray Lawson; Harold Lambert; Earl Hendrickson

Homebound Member of the Week: Joe Gardner

Please contact our Pastoral Care Team at pgill@rofum.org with any prayer concerns.

EASTER FLOWERS

We are offering a choice of spring flowers to decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 1, or contributing to United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) in honor or memory of a loved one. The names of the donors and those to be honored or memorialized will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. If you wish to participate, place this form in the offering plate or return it to the church office on or before Sunday, March 18.

Checks made out to Royal Oak First United Methodist (ROFUM) or cash must accompany your order.

Please use one form per sentiment. Additional forms are available in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall, and church office.

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Easter Lily (1 bloom) - \$9.50	Azalea - \$20.00
Daffodil - \$7.50	Hyacinth - \$7.50
Tulip - \$7.50	
I will pick up the plant after the	11:00 am service on Easter Sunday.
I am willing to deliver my plant t	o a homebound member on Easter Sunday.
l will order my own plant and de	eliver it to the church on Friday, March 30.
Enclosed is my donation of \$ for UMCOR.	
This is a memorial to	
This is in honor of	
Given by	
Phone Number	

Tear out this page and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 18

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship	
10:15 am	Coffee Hour	
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall; Preschool – I	Room #405
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
	Middle School (6-8) – Room #414	
12:15 pm	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
1:30 pm	Safe Sanctuary Training	
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room & Room #414
6:00 pm	Cantata Chorale	Sanctuary & Choir Room
6:45 pm	Youth Group Dinner	Fellowship Hall
7:15 pm	Youth Group	Fellowship Hall
	Monday, March 19	
9:30 am	Core Team/Directors' Retreat	St. Paul of the Cross
10:30 am	Lunch Program	
6:30 pm	Confirmation Meeting	
7:00 pm	Missions Meeting	
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Sanctuarv
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	Tuesday, March 20	
10:00 am	Tuesday Morning Pastor's Book Group	•
10:30 am	Lunch Program	•
11:30 am	Sermon Practice	
11:45 am	ROga (ROFUM Chair Yoga)	
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	
6:30 pm	Taizé Prayer Service	
7:00 pm	Crafted and Called Discernment Study	•
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball	
	Wednesday, March 21	
9:30 am	Bulletin Meeting	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	United Methodist Women Book Study	
10:30 am	Lunch Program	
11:00 am	Organ Practice	
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out)	The Avenue Restaurant

Wednesday, March 21 (Continued)

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5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church On Wednesday) Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Lithuania Team Meeting	Church Office
6:15 pm	Holy COW Choir Rehearsals Choir Room,	Room #402, Room # 403
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Room #414
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon	Room #403

Thursday, March 22

Fellowshin Hall	Men's Morning Fellowship	7:00 am
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Fellowship Hall	Lunch Program	10:30 am
Fellowship Hall	As We Gather Service	11:00 am
Fellowship Hall	Shawl Ministry	1:00 pm
	Organ Practice	2:00 pm
Choir Room	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm

Friday, March 23

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	
4:30 pm	0	•

Saturday, March 24

4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	Fun For All	Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 25 – Palm Sunday

9:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship	Hall
10:15 am	Fellowship Hour Breakfast Buffet	Royal Oak Tap House
11:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket	Sanctuary
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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

We start to turn the corner towards the culmination of this Lenten journey. One week from today is the beginning of Holy Week. This is a week we set aside to bring the dramatic moments of Jesus' last week, death, and resurrection to life. Here is a preview of all that will be happening:

Sunday, March 25th

Palm Saturday 4:00 pm

Palm Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am

This is the day we relive the great Jesus parade as it entered the city. It is a day of excitement with palms to wave. We will finish both of our Sunday morning services with a very special fellowship time and surprising breakfast buffet.

Thursday, March 29th

Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm

This powerful evening service is a very meaningful night of song and communion. We will recreate the upper room where Jesus gathered for one last meal with his closest friends. Childcare is available.

Friday, March 30th

Good Friday Service 12:00 pm

Come to the foot of the cross and experience the passion of Jesus. This is a service of deep reflection with powerful music and a message that will make you wrestle with the pain and suffering of the world.

7 Last Words 7:00 pm

This is an experience you don't want to miss. Local poets and musicians are taking the seven last words and creating original works that will make these ancient words come alive! Childcare is available.

Easter Weekend

Saturday, March 31st 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 1st 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Come out and celebrate the resurrection of Christ. This is the day where we say, "God's not dead!" We remember that the movement of peace, justice, kindness, and inclusion is alive and well.

Please come and be a part of this amazing week in the life of our church.

I'm glad to be on this journey together.

Grace and Peace,