



THE OTHER PARADE

March 24, 2018
4:00 pm Afternoon Worship
Royal Oak First United Methodist Church
www.rofum.org • 248-541-4100

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn #278	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	UMH*
Call to Worship		
Response #2091	The King of Glory Comes	FWS**
Greeting Your Neighbor		
Invitation to Mission		
Noisy Bucket Offering		
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Doxology #95		UMH
Scripture	Matthew 21:1-11, 15-16	CEB***
Message	The Other Parade	Caleb Williams
Hymn #2175	Together We Serve	FWS

* United Methodist Hymnal
** Faith We Sing
*** 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**

Service Opportunities with South Oakland Shelter



***Contact Laurie O'Donnell at
lodonnell@rofum.org***

***Welcome
to the
Party!***

***Sunday, April 8
2:00 pm***

***Contact office@rofum.com
or 248-541-4100***

HANDS 4 ROYAL OAK

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: _____ 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 screens
- Repair drywall
- Install grab bar or handrail
- 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.

Other: _____

EVENTS

NOISY BUCKET OFFERING THIS WEEK!

Get out your spare change for Noisy Bucket! This monthly loose change collection benefits our partner churches in Lithuania, led by our friends Andrus and Jelena Cask. Your pocket change can help make Christ's love real for our brothers and sisters in Europe.

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 1, 10:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt



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 small toys. Contact Danielle Moody at dmoody@rofum.org if you have any questions.

Celebrate our newest Eagle Scout!

Sunday, April 8

Join us for a special Coffee Hour on Sunday, April 8, to celebrate Andrew Gibson, our newest Eagle Scout! With cake, ice cream sundaes, and you, this is sure to be a wonderful time!

CELEBRATE OUR
NEW EAGLE SCOUT!



**Welcome
to the
Party!**

Welcome to the Party!

Sunday, April 8

You are invited to a gathering at the pastor's house. Get to know some other people, learn more about the church, and ask any questions you might have about Royal Oak First. Contact George Marck at gmarck@rofum.org if you would like to pre-register or if you have any questions.

United Methodist Women

Thursday, April 5, 1:00 pm

Come join us to hear about the "Blessings in a Backpack" program that helps feed many families in Royal Oak. The program begins at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting (nut free) food for the backpacks that day, so bring along some canned tuna or chicken, mac & cheese, ramen noodles, etc. If

you have any questions, contact Cathy Baker at 248-288-2125.

The UMW executive meeting will be held at 10:30 am.



United
Methodist
Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

OPPORTUNITIES

Teach Computer Skills

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, résumé 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 Astrid Harrod on the Royal Oak First missions committee at 248-635-6357 or asharrod@gmail.com.

South Oakland Shelter

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 chance 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 lodonnell@rofum.org.



New Transportation Ministry!

We have a wonderful new service opportunity for individuals with good hearts and good driving records. Our new Transportation Ministry will help our members with transportation and mobility limitations get to doctor's appointments, church, and other important commitments. This opportunity will allow you to meet wonderful people and do good for your church family in a way that fits into your schedule.

If you are interested in this important ministry, contact Laurie O'Donnell at lodonnell@rofum.org.

JOIN OUR WORSHIP TEAM

You can be an important part of our worship team! We have opportunities for people to serve as ushers, greeters, communion servers, and crucifers (the people who carry the cross into the 11:00 am Sunday service).

.....

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

_____ Usher (6 times per year)

_____ 4:00 pm Saturday

_____ 9:00 am Sunday

_____ 11:00 am Sunday

_____ As-Needed Substitute

_____ Greeter (6 times per year)

_____ 4:00 pm Saturday

_____ 9:00 am Sunday

_____ 11:00 am Sunday

_____ As-Needed Substitute

_____ Communion Server

_____ 4:00 pm Saturday

_____ 9:00 am Sunday

_____ 11:00 am Sunday

_____ As-Needed Substitute

_____ Crucifer

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

PRAYER LIST

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

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

Hospitalized: Ann Moser

Homebound Member of the Week: Ruby Hawkins

Sympathy to the family and friends of Joe Gardner, died Saturday, March 16.

Sympathy to James Walbridge and his family for the death of his brother, Tim Walbridge, Sunday, March 18.

Sympathy to Gerald Jones for the death of his brother, Donnie Jones, Monday, February 26.

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

The Chancel flowers wish a happy birthday to Grandma Kim Christopher, given by Grandpa Chris Christopher.

SCHEDULE

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 Taphouse
11:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall; Preschool – Room #405	
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
	Middle School (6-8) – Room #414	
12:15 pm	Fellowship Hour Breakfast Buffet	Royal Oak Taphouse
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 26

10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Directors' Meeting	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Justice League	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Trustees	Room #403
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Sanctuary

Tuesday, March 27

10:00 am	Tuesday Morning Pastor's Book Group	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	Sermon Practice	Sanctuary
11:45 am	ROga (ROFUM Chair Yoga)	Choir Room
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Climbing Orientation for Spring Trek	Tower Entrance
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball	Addams Elementary

Wednesday, March 28

9:30 am	Bulletin Meeting	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Organ Practice	Sanctuary
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out)	The Avenue Restaurant
5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church On Wednesday) Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:15 pm	Holy COW Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room, Room #402, Room # 403

Wednesday, March 28 (Continued)

6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Climbing Orientation for Spring Trek	Tower Entrance
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Room #414
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon	Room #403

Thursday, March 29 – Maundy Thursday

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	As We Gather Service	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Organ Practice	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service	Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday, March 30 – Good Friday

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making.....	Kitchen
7:00 pm	7 Last Words	Sanctuary

Saturday, March 31 – Holy Saturday

10:00 am	Shumaker Visitation	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Shumaker Funeral Service	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	As We Gather Easter Dinner	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship.....	Sanctuary

Sunday, April 1 – Easter Sunday

7:00 am	Sunrise Service	Front Lawn
9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:15 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Easter Egg Hunt.....	Park on S West between 5 th and 6 th
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall; Preschool – Room #405	
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
	Middle School (6-8) – Room #414	
12:15 pm	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall

LETTER FROM THE

Making Christ's love real, that's why Royal Oak First exists. Our purpose is to help people experience real love, build real friendships, and make a real difference. That means that we want everyone who shows up for worship to feel the life-changing, no-holds-barred love of God—and there is no bigger week for worship in the Christian tradition than the week leading up to Easter, Holy Week.

Stretched between Sundays, we walk through the last week of Jesus' life. This first weekend, Palm Sunday, we join the crowds as we see him ride into town on a stolen donkey. Thursday, we join in the last dinner he had with his friends. It's traditionally called Maundy Thursday, because of the directions (Latin: *mandatum*) he gave them about how to remember him every time they sit down for a meal together. On Friday, we look on as the religious and civil authorities conspire to have him beaten and executed, and we watch as he dies with words of both despair and forgiveness on his lips. After waiting, restless through the sabbath day of rest, we wake up early on Sunday to walk to the borrowed grave and prepare Jesus' body. What happens next may make an April fool out of all of us! With each new chapter, through celebration and grief, his story becomes our story.

I hope you'll join us on this week-long journey. This isn't a punch-card, and it's not just for worship geeks; this week is for anyone willing to risk being transformed by real love.

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Caleb Williams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rev. Caleb Williams
Minister of Worship and Arts