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April 28, 2018  
4:00 pm Afternoon Worship  
Royal Oak First United Methodist Church  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn #2191	Eternal Father, Strong to Save	FWS*
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Call to Worship

Response #314	In the Garden	UMH**
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Greeting Your Neighbor

Invitation to Mission

Time of Prayer

Prayer Song #347	Spirit Song	UMH
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Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Musical Offering	<i>Brothers &amp; Sisters</i> Andrew Harrod	Jerry Garcia
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Doxology #95		UMH
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Scripture	Mark 16:12-15 George Marck	CEB***
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Message	Tag, Release, Go!	Myra Moreland
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Hymn #2130	The Summons	FWS
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\*Faith We Sing  
\*\* United Methodist Hymnal  
\*\*\* Common English Bible

# Noah's Flood

*An All Ages  
Community Opera  
by Benjamin Britten*

*April 29,  
11:00 am and 4:00 pm*

*Free will offering*

**ENDING  
HUNGER  
ONE STEP  
AT A TIME  
CROP HUNGER WALK**



**SUNDAY, MAY 6  
7:00 pm**

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**DETROIT  
LUTHERAN  
SINGERS**

# HANDS 4 ROYAL OAK

## Opportunities to Serve

Saturday, May 19, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Now is your chance to serve and connect with your community. This opportunity is open to people age 10 and over. Please complete the form below and turn it in at the *Here I Am Lord* table, the church office, or submit your form online at [rofum.org/links](http://rofum.org/links). If you have questions, email [Hands4RoyalOak@rofum.org](mailto:Hands4RoyalOak@rofum.org).

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On a scale of 1 (not comfortable) to 5 (very comfortable), please rate your comfort level with performing the following jobs:

\_\_\_\_\_ Plumbing

\_\_\_\_\_ Working on an extension ladder

\_\_\_\_\_ Electrical

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Drywall/plaster repair

\_\_\_\_\_ Painting

\_\_\_\_\_ Carpentry

\_\_\_\_\_ Caulking

\_\_\_\_\_ Yard work/landscaping

\_\_\_\_\_ Working on a step ladder





# EVENTS

## ***Noah's Flood***

**Sunday, April 29, 11:00 am & 4:00 pm**

The Flood is here! Your combined music ministries invite you to *Noah's Flood*, a musical celebration of hope and diversity. This powerful and humorous work by Benjamin Britten mixes professionals and amateurs from the community with Royal Oak First's musical ensembles, including children's and adults' choirs, orchestra, bells, 4-hand piano, organ, and even some coffee mugs. For more info, contact Minister of Worship & Arts, Caleb Williams, at [caleb@rofum.org](mailto:caleb@rofum.org) or call the office.



## **United Methodist Women May Program**

**May 3, 1:00 pm**

**Executive Meeting at 10:30 am**



Do you have any questions or information you would like to know about our Lead Pastor, Jeff Nelson? We are looking forward to an interesting and informative monthly afternoon and this is your opportunity to be a part of what will prove to be just that. Join us in Fellowship Hall for a great time together. Refreshments included.

## **Detroit Lutheran Singers**

**May 6, 7:00 pm**

Renowned guest choir, The Detroit Lutheran Singers, presents Occasional Music: Reflections & Celebrations a free concert on Sunday, May 6, at 7:00 pm.

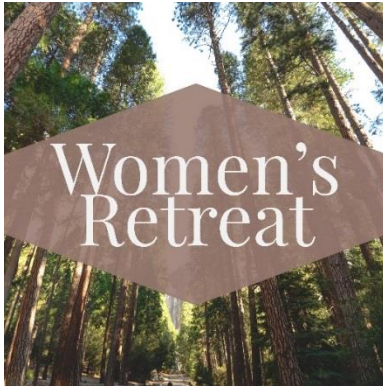
Composers from Bach to Benjamin Britten, John Rutter and local composer Michael Burkhardt, will be featured, along with some of our very own Royal Oak First friends!



## Royal Oak First Women's Retreat

Mother's Day Weekend

Friday, May 11, 4:00 pm – Saturday, May 12, 3:00 pm



Relax the body, stimulate the mind, and strengthen the spirit. Join us for this wonderful weekend of yoga, discussions, and study at the beautiful Colombiere Retreat & Conference Center in Clarkston. The cost for the event is \$130 and includes meals, accommodations, yoga class, and discussion sessions, along with unlimited use of the walking paths through the woods. Registration forms are available at the *Here I Am Lord* table in the Narthex or in the church office. If you have any questions, contact Myra Moreland at [mmoreland@rofum.org](mailto:mmoreland@rofum.org).

## Disability Awareness Sunday

Sunday, June 10

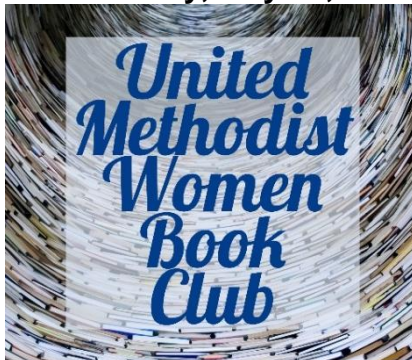
On Sunday, June 10, adults and children alike, will be able to experience what it feels like to have certain disabilities at our Disability Awareness Fair in Fellowship Hall.

There are 20-25 positions available to help make this educational event a meaningful experience for others. Training will be provided on Saturday, June 9. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Amber Evans at [amberarco@yahoo.com](mailto:amberarco@yahoo.com) or sign up at the *Here I Am Lord* table in the Narthex following Sunday services.



## United Methodist Women Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, May 16, 10:00 am



All are welcome to join our Book Discussion group as we continue our discussion of *Truman* by David McCulloch, a compelling story about our country's 33rd President, who took office after the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt. A World War I veteran, he assumed the presidency during the waning months of World War II and the beginning of the Cold War.

If you have not read this book and are interested in the history of the times, please join us to hear and learn about the Truman years.

## Pillowcase Making Workshop

**May 16, 7:00 pm**

Each year, we gather in the Fellowship Hall to make pillowcases for the children of Cass Community Social Services and the Redford Brightmoor Initiative. You do not need to sew to help with this project; many steps of the pillowcase making process do not involve sewing. If you would like to help, but can't attend the workshop, you can donate cotton fabric. Donated fabric can be placed in the marked bin in the elevator lobby on the lower level. Bring a sewing machine, if you have one, and a desire to connect and help others. If you have any questions, call Kathy Riggs at 248-390-4345.

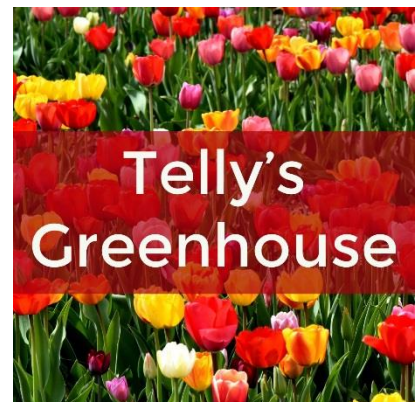


## Information Cards

Have you found yourself looking for an easy way to invite people to Royal Oak First? We have, so we created an information card to give out to anyone who may be interested in coming to visit us. Be sure to pick some up in the Narthex or in the church office!

## Telly's Greenhouse Fundraiser

Telly's Greenhouse in Troy and Shelby will donate 10% of each purchase made with a special coupon until June 30. Be sure to stop by the *Here I Am Lord* table in Fellowship Hall to pick up your coupon today!



# PRAYER LIST

**Prayers for our church family:** Alice Bentley; Ruby Hawkins; Betty Latimer; Ron & Marianne Peludat; Judy Ather; Gwen Ross; Carl & Shirley Shafer; Ann Anderson; Christina Smith; Don and Marilyn McCreedy; John Dorsey; Ray & Betty Lawson; Jon & Lisa Rye; Sherry & Bob Giles; The Lowman Family; Pam Shewchuck; Marilyn Hocking

**Prayers for our extended family:** Eric Nimmo; Nancy K; Chris; Lindsey & Jason; Norbert Wnukowski; Charles Prud'homme; Cathy Wyker; Marie Therese Walbridge; Earl Hendrickson; Lynn Shady; Helen Hays; Jerry Sessions; Tara Bouck; Bob Graeber; Pam Heath

**Hospitalized:** Jim Tempest

**Sympathy** to the family and friends of Mike Monte for the death of his mother, Opal Monte, April 23.

**Sympathy** to the family and friends of Kay LaCombe for the death of her brother, Kenn Clark, April 24.

**Homebound Member of the Week:** Ruth Porkka

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

The white rose on the chancel is in honor and celebration of the wedding of Jenny Lambert and Gordy Boozan on April 28.





# CROP WALK

You are invited to participate in the Annual CROP Walk on Sunday, May 6. Registration begins at 1:30 pm at Cana Lutheran Church at 2119 Catalpa in Berkley. This is a great opportunity to provide support for our daily lunch program as well as two other local food banks. There are two ways you can join the fight to end hunger:

- 1) Be a walker and get friends and family to sponsor you
- 2) Sponsor a walker! Cheer them on!

Our goal this year is for 20 walkers from Royal Oak First to raise \$4000 for the cause. Don't miss your chance to be part of this wonderful mission!

Sign up sheets and donation envelopes are available in the Narthex following services or you can fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in walking

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in sponsoring a walker

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

# SCHEDULE

## Sunday, April 29

9:00 am	Worship.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Choir Room	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Choir Room; Preschool – Room #405	
	Sunday School, K-5 – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	<i>Noah's Flood</i> .....	Sanctuary

## Monday, April 30

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	Pub(lic) Theology .....	Ale Mary's
7:00 pm	Missions Committee Meeting .....	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga .....	Sanctuary

## Tuesday, May 1

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
6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit .....	Choir Room and Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study .....	Sanctuary

## Wednesday, May 2

9:00 am	Bulletin Meeting .....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Staff Meeting .....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program and Saints & Scissors .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Organ Practice .....	Sanctuary
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) .....	The Avenue Restaurant
2:00 pm	Piano Club .....	Choir Room
5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church on Wednesday) Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	ROFUM (Refueling Our Faith Using Motors) .....	Duggan's Irish Pub
6:15 pm	Holy COW Choir Rehearsals... Choir Rm, Room #403 & Room #414	
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir .....	Sanctuary

## Wednesday, May 2 (Continued)

7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga .....	Room #414
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal .....	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon.....	Room #403

## Thursday, May 3

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship.....	Nello's Restaurant
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
10:30 pm	Pastoral Care Team .....	Choir Room
10:30 am	UMW (United Methodist Women) Executive Meeting .....	Sanctuary
11:00 am	As We Gather Service.....	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	UMW Program .....	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Organ Practice .....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal .....	Choir Room

## Friday, May 4

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study.....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program & Covenant Community Care .....	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making.....	Kitchen

## Saturday, May 5

10:30 am	Recital Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Boy Scouts Anniversary Celebration .....	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship .....	Sanctuary

## Sunday, May 6

9:00 am	Worship.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 –	Choir Room
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Graduation Brunch .....	New Chapel
11:00 am	Worship.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Choir Room; Preschool –	Room #405
	Lower Elementary (K-2) –	Room #402
	Upper Elementary (3-5) –	Room #403
	Middle School (6-8) –	Room #414
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
1:30 pm	Crop Walk .....	Cana Lutheran Church
1:30 pm	Piano Recital .....	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals .....	Choir Room, Room #403, Room #414
6:45 pm	Youth Group Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Detroit Lutheran Singers .....	Sanctuary
7:15 pm	Youth Group.....	Fellowship Hall

# LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I don't know about you, but everything in life just gets easier when the sun is shining. When we look around and see the first flowers of spring, this idea of new life and new beginnings starts to sink in.

Spring is the promise of summer days ahead, and I start to remember the many summer nights spent in the backyard of my Aunt Anna. Gathered in the yard with all of my cousins, we would launch into a massive game of Freeze Tag. I can still laugh thinking about standing in some corner of the yard, unable to move because I had been tagged and was "frozen." I would stand there immobilized, just waiting for someone to tag me and release the "freeze." This warm weather is a good time to start defrosting our hearts, our minds and our souls and get ready to answer the call to action from Jesus. As a church, we never go out into the world alone, but who around us stands "frozen," just waiting for that tag of God's love. We'll be exploring the world of freeze tag this Saturday and at 9 am on Sunday.

The 11:00 service is a special event for our church: the opera, *Noah's Flood* by Benjamin Britten. We are bringing together professionals and amateurs from the community along with Royal Oak First's children and adult choirs, complete with orchestra, bells and 4-hand piano. Be prepared for lots of beautiful music and some precious children in animal costumes.

Our celebration of the resurrection continues this weekend by examining our lives, sharing our hearts and enjoying the sights and sounds of *Noah's Flood*. You don't want to miss out.

*Pastor Myra*