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April 29, 2018
9:00 am Worship
Royal Oak First United Methodist Church
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Songs	Send Me Out Changed	
Call to Worship		Michele Haight
Greeting Your Neighbor		
Invitation to Mission		
Children's Time		
Time of Prayer		
Prayer Song	10,000 Reasons	
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Brothers & Sisters</i> Andrew Harrod	Jerry Garcia
Scripture	Mark 16:12-15	CEB*
Message	Tag, Release, Go!	Myra Moreland
Song	God of Justice	

* 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. If you have questions, email Hands4RoyalOak@rofum.org.

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Phone: _____ Email: _____

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 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.

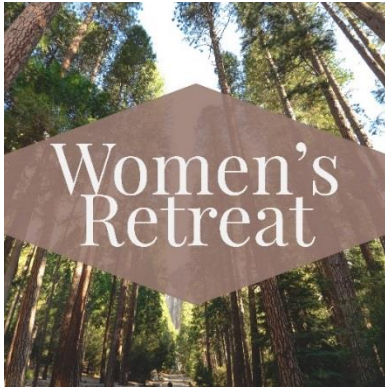
Composers from Bach to Benjamin Britten, John Rutter and local composer Michael Burkhardt, will be featured, along with some of our very own Royal Oak First friends!



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.

Disability Awareness Sunday

Sunday, June 10

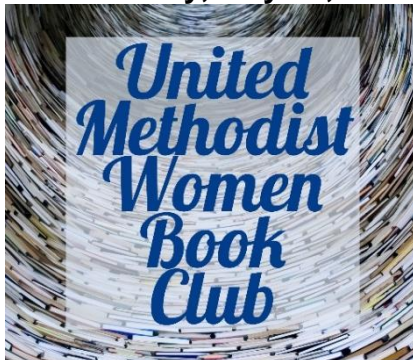
On Sunday, June 10, adults and children alike, will be able to experience what it feels like to have certain disabilities at our Disability Awareness Fair in Fellowship Hall.

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 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.

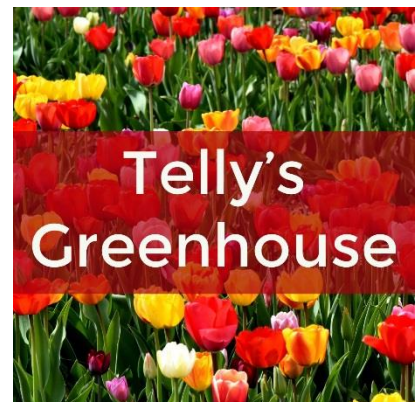


Information Cards

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, Ray Lawson

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.



Wednesdays
7:30 pm

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