

May 26, 2018
4:00 pm Afternoon Worship
Royal Oak First United Methodist Church
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude		Jennifer Semivan
Hymn #2221	In Unity We Lift Our Song	FWS*
Call to Worship		
Response #2212	How Can I Keep from Singing (stanzas 1, 2, & 4)	FWS
Greeting Your Neighbor		
Invitation to Mission		
Noisy Bucket Offering		
Celebration of Ordination		
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>His Eye Is on the Sparrow</i> John Marsh	Martin/Gabriel
Doxology #95		UMH**
Scripture	Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13	CEB***
Message	A New Song	Caleb Williams
Hymn #156	I Love to Tell the Story	UMH

* Faith We Sing
** United Methodist Hymnal
*** Common English Bible

DISABILITY AWARENESS SUNDAY

JUNE 10

CONTACT AMBER EVANS
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Choir Camp registration coming soon!

Choir camp is open to students entering 3rd through 12th grade. Be on the lookout for your registration packet. Extra packets will be available in the church office.



**NOISY BUCKET
OFFERING TODAY!**

OPPORTUNITIES

Salad Luncheon sponsored by United Methodist Women

Thursday, June 7, 1:00 pm

The United Methodist Women (UMW) are pleased to invite you to the June program and Salad Luncheon on Thursday, June 7, in Fellowship Hall. Join us as our UMW Conference President, Micki Phelps, teaches us about one of our many UMW mission projects—the Grand Rapids Community House.

All women of all ages are encouraged to join us. Bring a desire to connect and a salad to share. We can't wait to see you there!



Disability Awareness Sunday

Sunday, June 10, 9:45 am – 1:45 pm

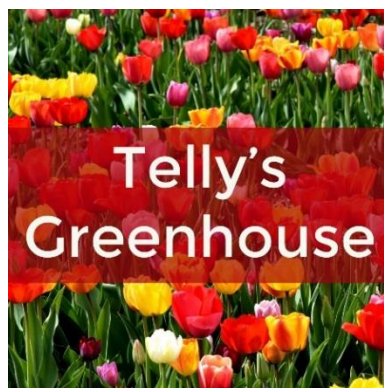


On Sunday, June 10, adults and children alike, will be able to experience what it feels like to have certain disabilities at our Disability Awareness Fair in Fellowship Hall.

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, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. 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 Fellowship Hall.

Telly's Greenhouse Fundraiser

Telly's Greenhouse in Troy and Shelby will donate 10% of each purchase made with a special coupon. Be sure to stop by the *Here I Am Lord* table in Fellowship Hall to pick up your coupon. The offer only lasts until June 30, so don't wait!



Lunch Program Opportunities



Every week day, we open our doors and serve a bagged lunch and a hot meal to anyone who needs it. If you have been looking for a way to make a concrete difference in people's lives, this program is perfect for you. This program is perfect for you if you are able to volunteer once a week, once a month, or only once in a while. We have spaces open for servers, cooks, shoppers, schedulers, substitutes, you name it! If you have a desire to serve, we have a place for you.

If you are interested in this growing ministry, please contact Laurie O'Donnell in the office or email her at lodonnell@rofum.org.

PRAYER LIST

Prayers for our church family: Mark Thatcher; Jim Tempest; Suzanne Hughes; Emily Paswater; Jane Button; Betty Lawson; Cynthia Cline; Marianne Peck; Lee Hoffmann; Alice Bentley; Ruby Hawkins; Betty Latimer; Ron & Marianne Peludat; Gwen Ross; Carl & Shirley Shafer

Prayers for our extended family: John Bell; Reynold Pearce; Eric Nimmo; Nancy K; Chris; Lindsey & Jason; Norbert Wnukowski

Hospitalized: George Hoelaars

Sympathy to the family and friends of Ruth Porkka for her death on May 20.

Sympathy to the family and friend of Christina Smith, for her death on May 20.

Homebound Member of the Week: Charles Williams

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

SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 27

9:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
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	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day

Office Closed

10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Pub(lic) Theology	Ale Mary's

Tuesday, May 29

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 (Royal Oak Yoga)	Choir Room
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons.....	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit.....	Choir Room and Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Justice & Inclusion Team	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Royal Oak Taphouse

Wednesday, May 30

9:00 am	Bulletin Meeting.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Office Closed until 1:00 pm	
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 30 (continued)

11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) ... The Avenue Restaurant
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga Room #414
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon..... Room #403

Thursday, May 31

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship.....Nello's Restaurant
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Organ Practice Sanctuary

Friday, June 1

10:30 am	Lunch Program & Covenant Community Care Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making..... Kitchen

Saturday, June 2

10:00 am	Ascend Church Meeting..... Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship Sanctuary

Sunday, June 3

9:00 am	Worship & Communion Sanctuary Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship & Communion Sanctuary Nursery – Fellowship Hall Preschool – Room #405 Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402 Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 1601 Eagle Scout Ceremony Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Eagle Scout Reception..... Fellowship Hall

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

After 12 years of ministry, and 8 years as a candidate, it's going to be official! Woohoo! Next weekend, at the Annual Conference of the Michigan Area of the United Methodist Church (say that 10 times fast), I'm getting ordained! But what does that mean?

First, not much. I've been a provisional deacon for 3 years, appointed by the bishop to a ministry of service, word, compassion, and justice. I already had Rev. in front of my name, and I finished seminary in 2013. No, ordination doesn't mean that I'm going to get moved somewhere else. Deacons like me (those with a specialized ministry to bridge with the community) aren't part of the (itinerant) system by which pastors are moved between churches. I'm still going to be your Minister of Worship & Arts, and my day-to-day work isn't going to change because of this new thing.

Second, it means a lot. All Christians are called to ministry. Some, though, are crafted and called to ministries of this kind of leadership. In our tradition, leadership isn't something taken, it's something given. When the faith community looks for leaders, we look for knowledge, health, effectiveness, and the work of the Spirit in and through them. That doesn't mean that ordained ministers know everything, can do everything, or have everything together. Ordination is the final step where the church, that's you, affirms God-given leadership in this person.

So next week, when the bishop lays his hands on my head, and when I pledge my life to a ministry of word, service, compassion, and justice, know that I will feel the weight of your hands, and the responsibility you entrust to my care. I will also continue to feel your support, lifting me up, helping me grow as a leader, so that Royal Oak First might continue to transform the world through love.

Thank you, from my deepest heart, for loving me into this new phase of ministry.

Yours in service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Caleb Smith', written in a cursive style.