



# LOVE (like) JESUS

## Unconditionally

SUNDAY, JULY 15

9:00 AM WORSHIP

ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Song Home

Call to Worship

Songs God Loves You  
Room at the Table

Greeting Your Neighbor

Invitation to Mission

Children's Time

Music Ministry *With a Little Help from My Friends* John Lennon  
Ken Stringer Paul McCartney

Time of Prayer

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Musical Offering *Lean on Me* Bill Withers  
Ken Stringer

Scripture Luke 19:1-10 \*CEB  
Janet Kinney

Message Unconditionally Myra Moreland  
Rachel Kain, actor

Song Crafted and Called



# JULY COLLECTION CHALLENGE

FULL AND TRAVEL SIZE ITEMS

# CHOIR CAMP

**CAMP OHIYESA**  
7300 HICKORY RIDGE  
HOLLY, MI 48442

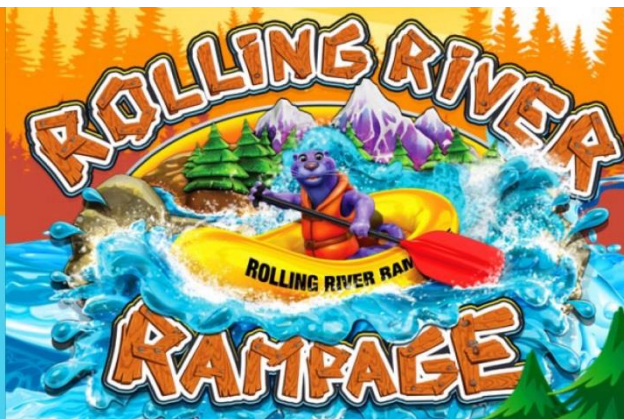
WRITE TO A  
CAMPER!

TALENT SHOW  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25  
7:00 PM

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 12-**  
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 16**

**ENROLL OR SIGN UP TO SERVE NOW!**

**CONTACT DANIELLE MOODY:**  
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## July Collection Challenge



Did you know that most people with a bridge card or food stamps cannot use that money to buy staples like toothpaste, deodorant, razors, shampoo, soap, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, and even diapers? We will be collecting **both travel and full sizes** of these items throughout the month of July for our friends at the Redford Brightmoor Initiative, the NOAH Project, and our own lunch program. Be on the lookout for sales and coupons so you can fill your box and return it to the church by July 29.

## Food Staples for our Lunch Program

Every week day, our lunch program provides 30-40 people a bagged lunch and a hot meal. Our stock is running low and we could use some non-perishable supplies, specifically grape & strawberry jelly, canned tuna fish, and 8 quart canisters of Kool-Aid. Please bring your donations to church on Sundays or any time during office hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00-4:00).



## Redford Brightmoor Initiative

**Saturday, July 21, 9:00 am-1:30 pm**



You can help us prepare and serve lunch for the 70-80 shoppers at the Redford Brightmoor Initiative Free Store on Saturday, July 21, 9:00 am – 1:30 pm. Opportunities are available to babysit and plan crafts and activities for the children of the shoppers. Sign up at [rofum.org/links](http://rofum.org/links) or at the *Here I Am Lord Table* in the Narthex. Contact the Missions team at [missions@rofum.org](mailto:missions@rofum.org) for more information.

## A Wonderful Night of A Cappella Broadway

If you are interested in an evening of unique live music, join us for a performance featuring our friends John Marsh and Roger Boyer with *The Gentlemen Songsters*, *Surefire*, and *Category 4* on Saturday, August 11, at 6:00 pm at Royal Oak Middle School. To secure a group rate and a block of seats, contact John Marsh at 248-933-6938 or Roger Boyer at 248-302-6631 by Sunday, July 15.



## PRAYER LIST

**Prayers for our church family:** Sherry Giles; Brianna Kingsley; Allison Hempstead; Sue Trescott; Athena Milewski; Pam Shewchuck; Vel Lowman; Jim Tempest; Bob Reid; Jane Frentz; Linda Jones; Don McCreedy; Roger Cuthbertson; Lee Hoffman; Marianne Peck; Ron & Marianne Peludat; Mark Thatcher; Margaret Simmons

**Prayers for our extended family:** Chuck Bartley; Heather Griffin; Vickie Zimmermann; Clayton Simons; Nancy Sydanmaa; Marshall Dunlap; James Chamberlin; John Bell

**Homebound Member of the Week:** Vera Miller

**Sympathy** to Phyllis Wagster on the death of her brother, Donald Goff.

**The Chancel Flowers** are in loving memory of Ray Lawson and the Lawson Family.

Please contact our Pastoral Care Team at  
[prayers@rofum.org](mailto:prayers@rofum.org) with any prayer concerns.



Surprise a camper or staff member with a letter! The camp address is shown above, and the campers and camp staff are listed below. Take this opportunity to be involved in camp, even if you can't be there.

### **Canticle Choir (Upper Elementary)**

Eleanor Baker  
Annabelle Cook  
Kaiya Cook  
Jaqueline Crowe  
Siena Cuda  
Aidan Flood  
Lily Frey  
Hudson Frey  
Julia Goetz  
Natasha Grose  
Hannah Haines  
Graddie Hall

Olivia Hall  
Olivia Miller  
Rosabelle Moody  
Sam Nelson  
Molly Remeika  
Alaina Ryckman  
Shaelyn Simms  
Nolan Tull  
Isabella Yago  
Tyler Warren  
Kelvin Weber  
Sophie Willis

### **Revelation Choir (Middle School)**

Benjamin Crowe  
Theresa Crowe  
Kaylee Derkowski  
Alena Enerson  
Nate Grose  
Isabel Guerra  
Aubrey Harris  
Gillian Hein  
Audri Holloway  
Nolan Irish-Minewiser  
Chelsea Laskowski  
Presley Mamo

Abby McKarge  
Noah Murray  
Casey Nelson  
Anna Nielander  
Elliott Nielander  
Alana Pickering  
Hannah Richardson  
George Samson  
Nora Sleeman  
Sarah Thomas  
Arianna Tovarez  
Jake Tripoli

### **Angelus Choir (High School)**

Aidan Gibson  
Ellie Gilbert  
Matthew Gilbert  
Skylar Goulait  
Maya Harris  
Lily Howard  
Grace Huber  
Tessa Irish-Minewiser  
Conor Johanson  
Liam Longe  
Maya Longe  
Brendan Murray

Nico Nader  
Joseph Peck  
William Peltier  
Ivy Plaxton  
Christel Samson  
Abby Tripoli  
Hanna Tripoli  
Franklin Wahl  
Luke Wismer  
Eli Yarmy  
Tyler Young  
Camden Youngquist

### **Pre-Campers (Children of Camp Staff)**

Maggie Goetz  
Sam Goetz  
Evie Gross  
Oliver Gross  
Kennedy Forgash

Samantha Moody  
Charlotte Ryckman  
Noah Ryckman  
Isaac Ryckman

### **Camp Staff**

Chris Baker  
Matt Baker  
Laci Basel  
Faye Bond  
Carol Edward  
Brendan Frey  
Kip Garwood-Tull  
Diane Gibson  
Richard Gibson  
Christine Gilbert  
Karla Goetz  
Andrew Goetz  
Lori Gross  
Zoe Harris  
Jen Minewiser  
Andrew Lindblom  
Jay Lowman  
Jenny Lowman  
Daphne Mitchell  
Danielle Moody

Karyn Murray  
Bridget Nelson  
Jeff Nelson  
Jake Nielsen  
Kasey O'Donnell  
Robin Richardson  
Christine Ryckman  
Jennifer Semivan  
Colleen Skelton  
Theresa Skelton  
Julie Sleeman  
Matthew Strait  
Christopher Thomas  
Margaret Thomas  
Jennifer Tripoli  
Annette Wahl  
Bill Warren  
Steve Weber  
Caleb Williams  
Elena Yarmy



Sunday, August 12-Thursdays, August 16.  
Dinner at 5:30, Activities begin at 6:00 pm.

Open to children **entering pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**Service opportunities** (including cooking dinner, leading activity stations, and leading groups to activity stations) are available for adults and youth entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up.

This year, our children are being challenged to “**Fill a Tent**” with food. The food donations will be given to our Little Free Pantry outside the church and our lunch guests. On Tuesday, children will be encouraged to invite a friend to join them at Vacation Bible Camp.

If you have any questions, would like to enroll your child, or would like to sign up to serve, **contact Danielle Moody at [dmoody@rofum.org](mailto:dmoody@rofum.org).**



## SERMON NOTES

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# SCHEDULE

## Sunday, July 15

9:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship & Baptisms .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall	
	Preschool – Room #405	
	Elementary (K-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall

## Monday, July 16

9:00 am	Core Team Meeting.....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Directors' Meeting .....	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Missions Meeting .....	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga .....	Sanctuary

## Tuesday, July 17

10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Sermon Practice.....	Sanctuary
11:45 am	Roga (Chair Yoga) .....	Choir Room
2:30 pm	Piano Lessons.....	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Council.....	Royal Oak Taphouse
7:00 pm	Staff/Parish Relations Committee.....	Church Office
7:00 pm	Women's Book and Bible Study .....	Royal Oak Taphouse

## Wednesday, July 18

10:00 am	Organ Practice .....	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Lunch Program.....	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out) ...	The Avenue Restaurant

## **Wednesday, July 18 continued**

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

## **Thursday, July 19**

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

## **Friday, July 20**

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

## **Saturday, July 21**

9:00 am	Choir Camp Health Screening.....	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Ascend Church Meeting.....	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Saturday Afternoon Worship .....	Sanctuary

## **Sunday, July 22**

### **Choir Camp**

9:00 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship & Welcoming New Members .....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Fellowship Hall	
	Preschool – Room #405	
	Elementary (K-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour .....	Fellowship Hall

# LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As I write this letter, I am still at Duke Divinity School, worshiping and studying so that I can hopefully be a better pastor and disciple of Christ. While I do miss the hum of Royal Oak First, it has been such a blessing to take a deep breath and hear God's call in my life. I am grateful for the chance to come here and learn. And, look out! I'm heading home on Friday with a notebook full of all kinds of "preacher words." You might be expecting a few this weekend. Ah, but you know me better than that. I am returning with a good story. I heard it from one of my favorite professors here at Duke. It's the story of a "Dixieland Jazz band" kind of love.

The love of Jesus is not complicated. It is simple. Receiving the uncomplicated and abundant love of Jesus is a beautiful thing. But how do we love "like" Jesus? This weekend we are looking at unconditional love. God loves us and there is nothing we can do about it: That's a familiar saying at Royal Oak First. I have my coffee mug with those words here with me in North Carolina. Yes, God loves us without condition. Do we love others that way? What would it look like if we took that kind of love into the world? It might feel a little risky. We often add conditions into the mix for protection. I will sign this deal, buy this house or car, under these conditions. If you agree to do this, I will do that. What does it look like to love without condition? For that we turn to Jesus and we look at the story of Zacchaeus.

Grace and Peace,

*Myra Moreland*