

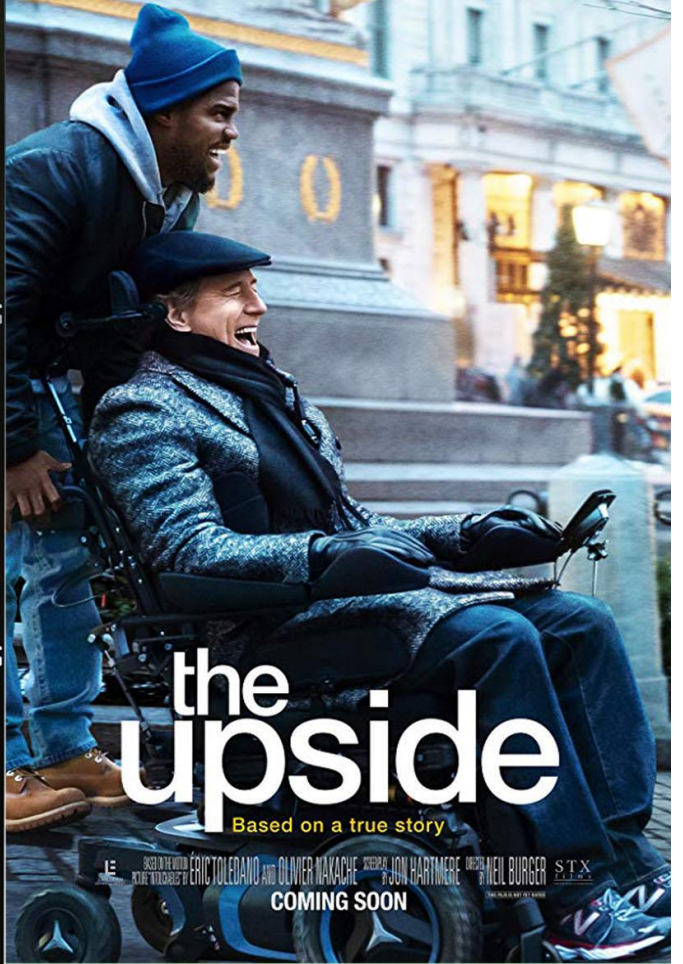
Faith

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THE MAGIC OF MOVIES & MORE

KEVIN HART BRYAN CRANSTON AND NICOLE KIDMAN



Sunday, February 3

11:00 am Traditional Worship

ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>Fantasy in C Major, BWV 570</i>	J.S. Bach
Hymn #88	Maker, in Whom We Live	*UMH
Call to Worship		Thom Derkowski
Hymn #156	I Love to Tell the Story Refrain only	UMH
Greeting and Invitation to Mission		
Time with Children		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Beautiful Savior Sanctus</i>	F.M. Christiansen
Doxology #95		UMH
Scripture	Luke 14:15-24	**CEB
Message	The Upside	Jeff Nelson
Communion		
Hymn #369	Blessed Assurance	UMH
Postlude	<i>Dialogue</i>	Gilbert M. Martin

* United Methodist Hymnal

** Common English Bible

OPPORTUNITIES



Super Bowl Sunday Sub Sandwich Sale **Sunday, February 3**

Subs will be available for pickup following Sunday worship services. Order forms are available at the Welcome Table or you can contact Shirley Harris at 248-765-5617 or sharris@rofum.org to place your order.

Scripture & Human Sexuality Study

Begins Wednesday, February 6, 6:30 pm

As the United Methodist Church gets into the historic conversation on The Way Forward, Pastor Jeff Nelson and Robin Oesterwind will lead us in a three-week study of the scripture on human sexuality and how we as Christians can prepare for any possible changes that may be coming. If you have any questions, contact the church office at office@rofum.org.



Keith J. Leenhouts Scholarship

Applications Due February 15



It is time to take steps to apply for college scholarships for the 2019 school year. The scholarship committee administers the scholarship fund in memory of Keith J. Leenhouts.

Application forms are available in the church office and at Royal Oak High School and Berkley High School. Guidelines for awarding the scholarships are included with the applications. Contributions to the Keith J. Leenhouts scholarship fund will be gratefully accepted. Checks payable to Royal Oak Methodist Church should be sent to the church office designated to The Leenhouts Scholarship Fund.

Saturday Supper Club Valentine's Party

Saturday, February 16, 5:30 pm

We want everyone to join us for a wonderful Valentine's Party on Saturday, February 16, at 5:30 pm. Show off your cooking skills (or your buying skills) and bring your favorite dish or dessert. If you have questions, contact Pastor Myra Moreland at mmoreland@rofum.org.



Fish Dinners are Coming Soon!

March 1, 15, 29, & April 12

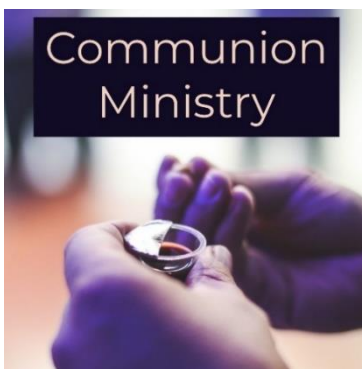
4:30 – 7:00 pm

Our famous fish dinners are coming back! Be sure to join us in March and April for four wonderful nights of food and fellowship. Adult meals start at just \$10.

Spring Trek

April 1-6, 2019

Royal Oak First Adventures is pleased to announce Spring Trek 2019 at Fall Creek Falls State Park, Spencer, TN. The fun includes camping, hiking, rock climbing, and rappelling. This is organized as a family-oriented gathering, but with special arrangements to accommodate unaccompanied youth whose parents are unable to participate. Contact Jon Cline by text at 248-561-2975 or by email at springtrek@rofum.org for more information.



Traveling Communion Ministry

Looking for a chance to participate in outreach but do not have a lot of time? You can bring communion to shut-ins from our congregation once a month. After some training, you and a partner would bring communion and fellowship once a month to members of our congregation who have trouble making it to church. If you are interested, please contact Danielle Moody at dmoody@rofum.org or 248-541-4100, or sign up at the welcome table.

PRAYER LIST

Prayers for our church family: Jennie Notarantonio; Don Siedler; Rebecca Turcotte; Jean Foster; Shirley Gnegy; Diana Shornak; Art Miller; Lee Hoffmann; Anne Brace; Diana Shornak; The Lowman Family; Dorothy Matsumoto; Gwen Ross; Nancy Matson; Diane Sexton; Laci Marie Basel; Ed Rowe; Eileen Albers; Jayden Bryant; Nancy Lorenz; Brad & Judy Ather; Charlene Faunt; Mary Anne Tempest; Nate DeAngelo; Lisa Rye; Janet Cork; Kris Hanstrom; Dian Wurdock; Don & Marilyn McCreedy; Suzanne Hughes; Bill & Nancy Schuman; Ann Anderson; Stephanie Smallwood; Charles White; Pam Shewchuck

Prayers for our extended family: George Bartley; David Moser; Sarah Leoni; Carol Barney; Michelle Rutowski; Larry Buger; Tim Johnson; Hermann Fleisshmann; Dan Grogan; Julie Fuller; Susan Chamberlain; Susie Inch; Dave Jensen; Beth Zimmerman; Patrick Tamm; Brian Boozan; Helen McGee; Chuck Bartley; Clayton Simons; Nancy Sydanmaa; Marshall Dunlap

Sympathy to the family and friends of Jackie Bell on her death, January 25.

Sympathy to Jean and Joe Foster on the death of their aunt, June Westerby.

Homebound Member of the Week: Charles White

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



CALENDAR

Sunday, February 3

9:00 am	Worship & Communion	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour & Sub Sale Pick-Up	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	
	Middle School (6-8) – Room #414	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour & Sub Sale Pick-Up	Fellowship Hall
12:15 pm	Communion Ministry Training	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Cantata Eurotour Rehearsal	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room, Room #403, Room #414
6:00 pm	Cantata Academy Chorale	Sanctuary
6:45 pm	Youth Group & Dinner	Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 4

8:45 am	Pastors' Meeting	2 nd Floor
9:00 am	Mrs. Mason's Candies	Kitchen
9:15 am	Core Team Meeting	2 nd Floor
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
10:45 am	Directors' Team Meeting	2 nd Floor
6:00 pm	Refueling Our Faith Using Motors	Duggan's Irish Pub
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Music Guild	Choir Room

Tuesday, February 5

9:00 am	Mrs. Mason's Candies	Kitchen
10:00 am	Pastor's Book and Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	Roga Chair Yoga	Choir Room
11:30 am	Sermon Practice	Sanctuary
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit	Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball	Addams Elementary School
7:00 pm	Women's Book and Bible Study	2 nd Floor

Wednesday, February 6

9:00 am	Mrs. Mason's Candies	Kitchen
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out)	The Avenue Restaurant

Wednesday, February 6 continued

2:00 pm	Piano Club	Choir Room
3:15 pm	Piano Lesson	Choir Room
5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)	Fellowship Hall
6:15 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room, Room #403, Room #414
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	The Hobbit Devotional Book Study	Church Office
6:30 pm	Scripture & Human Sexuality Bible Study	Youth Room
7:00 pm	5 th Grade Acolyte Training	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon	Room #403
8:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga	Room #414

Thursday, February 7

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship	Nello's Eatery
9:00 am	Mrs. Mason's Candies	Kitchen
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	United Methodist Women (UMW) Executive Meeting	Choir Room
1:00 pm	UMW General Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Friday, February 8

9:00 am	Mrs. Mason's Candies	Kitchen
9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making	Kitchen

Saturday, February 9

9:00 am	Private Party	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	Worship	Sanctuary

Sunday, February 10

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery, Preschool, & K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
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	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
1:30 pm	Metro Detroit Recorder Society	Choir Room
2:00 pm	Welcome to the Party!	Parsonage
5:30 pm	Cantata Eurotour Rehearsal	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals	Choir Room, Room #403, Room #414
6:00 pm	Cantata Academy Chorale	Sanctuary
6:45 pm	Youth Group & Dinner	Fellowship Hall

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I love movies. I love getting lost in a good story. I love sharing the experience with other people—with friends and strangers alike. I love that a good movie makes me think. In addition to the films we watched together this month, these are the other films I would recommend:

Creed 2: Another great addition to the Rocky reboot. Like Jacob wrestling with the angel, this film reminds us the real fights are within. Loved it! Saw it 4 times and would totally see it again.

Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse: This might be my favorite film of the season. Did not expect to be so thoroughly entertained and blown away by the visuals. The story asks an important question, “Can anyone wear the mask?” Can anyone be a superhero? Saw this one 5 times!

Green Book: Heartwarming film about friendship. A troubling film about the realities of racism. It made me laugh, cry, get angry, and find hope.

On the Basis of Sex: The biopic about Ruth Bader Ginsburg is a must see! I cried like a baby. It is a film about the ongoing struggle to change the world as the world changes around us. I will own this film and watch it often.

The Mule: Totally surprised me. Thought-provoking. Surprising. A fitting summation to Eastwood’s distinguished career—a film about work, priorities, regret, and redemption.

Bohemian Rhapsody: If you are a rock music fan, this film is a must-see. The biopic of Queen and the iconic frontman Freddie Mercury reminded me of what it means to be a performer, motivated by a deep desire to connect with and move your audience. “Find me somebody to love...”

A Star is Born: The remake of a remake of a remake is the classic holiday love story wrapped in the American dream. If you have talent and get a break, you can make it big. Bridget loves Bradley Cooper; she says he looks like me.

If Beale Street Could Talk: The most artistic film of the year. Hauntingly beautiful. I left feeling the heaviness of poverty, racism, and prison. I left with a reminder of the risk that comes with love.

The Favourite: Delightfully twisted. Incredibly acted. A story about the trappings of power.

Vice: Incredibly acted. Unapologetically partisan. A warning about the dangers of consolidated power.

Boy Erased: If there was any doubt about the harm a distorted view of God can cause, this film will erase that doubt. As our denomination struggles with the place of LGBTQ Christians, this film made it clear to me that the only way forward is full inclusion. Please find a way to see this film. The church should be the place of healing, not harm.

A Dog’s Way Home: Bring Kleenex! Lots of Kleenex!

See you at the movies,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Pastor Jeff". Below the signature is a simple smiley face drawn with a circle and two dots for eyes.