

When Love Comes to Town



Sunday, April 14
9:00 am Worship

ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song	Blessed Be the Name of the Lord	
Song	Love the Lord	
Greeting Your Neighbor		
Invitation to Mission		
Music Ministry	<i>Tingalao/Tina Tenda, Jesu Medley</i> Beginner Choir	Traditional
Time with Children		
Time of Prayer		
Mission Moment		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Count the Stars</i> Revelation	Andy Beck
Scripture	Luke 19:37-40 Rachel Fritz	*CEB
Song	<i>When Love Comes to Town</i> Stewart Francke	U2
Message		Jeff Nelson
Song	Build Your Kingdom Here	

* Common English Bible

OPPORTUNITIES

Welcome
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Sunday, April 14, 2:00 pm

You are invited to a gathering at the pastor's house. Get to know some other people, learn more about the church, and ask any questions you might have about Royal Oak First. Contact George Marck at gmarck@rofum.org if you would like to sign up, or if you have any questions. If you don't sign up ahead of time, you are still welcome to show up!

Projection Training

Sunday, April 28, 12:00 pm

The projection on the wall during worship services plays a big part in making worship enjoyable for everyone and the Projection Team is always open to new members to make that happen. There will be an open training session for anyone interested. Contact Debi Szeliga at dszeliga@rofum.org if you have any questions.



Where Friends Gather Women's Retreat

Friday, May 3 – Sunday, May 5

Save the date! All are welcome to join our second annual Women's Retreat. More information is to come, so be sure to watch your bulletins. If you have any questions, contact Danielle Moody at dmoody@rofum.org.

Musician Roll-Call

This community is full of hidden talents! Do you play an instrument? Do you sing? Did you play in high school and your instrument is collecting dust in some closet? Let us know! We're updating our roster of musical people, and we don't want to leave you out. Please send your info to Assistant Director of Worship & Arts, Debi Szeliga, at dszeliga@rofum.org.



Collections for our Lunch Program



Our Lunch Program does a lot more than serve lunch. It includes a monthly clothing closet, and our volunteers distribute clothing and other necessities every day. Right now, our storage is running low on a few things. We could use blankets and sheets, socks, and men's summer clothing. Additionally, we are always collecting personal care items like soap, razors, deodorant, washcloths, and feminine hygiene products. Please bring your donations to Fellowship Hall with the label "Lunch Program". Contact the church office at office@rofum.org if you have any questions.

Pillowcase Workshop

Wednesday, May 15, 7:00 pm

A pillowcase may not seem like much, but to kids who don't have anything it can be a lot. Our United Methodist Women and Knowledge Circle invite you to help make pillowcases for Cass Community Social Services and the Redford Brightmoor Initiative. You don't have to know how to sew to be able to help. If you have a sewing machine or serger, bring it along. Cotton fabric donations (solid or patterned) can be placed in the marked drawer in the Lower Level. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Riggs at pillowcases@rofum.org or 248-390-4345.



PRAYER LIST

Prayers for our church family: Howie Emmons; Art & Delores Miller; Lorraine Dorsey; Marilyn McCreedy; Steve D'Angelo; Dave Minch; Don & Kathy Seidler; Ceci Tamm; Dan Mayer; John Wagster; Barb Seizert; Audrey Fick; Lloyd & Janet Ramseyer; Carol Hardt; Marguerite Nowacek; Al & Margaret Simmons; Doris Whitney; Mary Anne Tempest; James Respecki; Jean Foster; Lee Hoffmann; Anne Brace; Gwen Ross; Eileen Albers; Nancy Lorenz; Lisa Rye; Janet Cork; Kris Hanstrom; Charles White; Pam Shewchuck

Prayers for our extended family: Bernise Amell; Kris Beachum; Carl Wilson; Alexis Bagrosky; George Bartley; David Moser; Carol Barney; Larry Burger; Tim Johnson; Susan Chamberlain; Susie Inch; Brian Boozan; Helen McGee; Chuck Bartley; Clayton Simons; Nancy Sydanmaa

Homebound Member of the Week: June Stephan

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

CROP WALK

You are invited to participate in the Annual CROP Walk on Sunday, May 5. This is a great opportunity to provide support for our "As We Gather" 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!

Don't miss your chance to be part of this wonderful mission!

Sign up sheets and donation envelopes are available at the Welcome Table or you can fill out this form and place 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. You can also register online at rofum.org/links.

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 14 – Palm Sunday

9:00 am	Worship & Celebration of Palms.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery & Preschool – Parlor, K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Worship & Celebration of Palms.....	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Parlor; Preschool – Room #405	
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
1:30 pm	Metro Detroit Recorder Society	Choir Room
2:00 pm	Welcome to the Party.....	Parsonage
3:00 pm	Piano Recital.....	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room, Room #403, Room #414
6:45 pm	Youth Group and Dinner.....	Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

Monday, April 15

10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Core Team Meeting	3 rd Floor
2:00 pm	Director Team Meeting	3 rd Floor
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts.....	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Missions Meeting	Choir Room

Tuesday, April 16

10:00 am	Pastor’s Book and Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Sermon Practice	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Roga Chair Yoga	Choir Room
12:00 pm	Piano Tuning.....	Sanctuary
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	Choir Room
6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit	Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Men’s Basketball.....	Addams Elementary School
7:00 pm	Women’s Book and Bible Study Group	Royal Oak Taphouse

Wednesday, April 17

10:00 am	United Methodist Women Book Study	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Sermon Practice	Sanctuary
11:30 am	ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out).....	The Avenue Restaurant
3:15 pm	Piano Lesson	Choir Room
4:30 pm	Violin Lesson.....	Room #403
5:30 pm	Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, April 17 continued

6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon.....	Room #403
8:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Room #414

Thursday, April 18 – Maundy Thursday

7:00 am	Men's Morning Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	As We Gather Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Faith & Sexuality Meeting	Royal Oak Taphouse
7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship.....	Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

Friday, April 19 – Good Friday

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Good Friday Worship	Sanctuary
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making	Kitchen
7:00 pm	7 Last Words: A Service of Poetry & Music.....	Sanctuary

Saturday, April 20

4:00 pm	Worship.....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Youth Group Bowling Night	Hartfield Lanes

Sunday, April 21 – Easter

7:00 am	Easter Sunrise Service	Front Lawn
9:00 am	Easter Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery & Preschool – Parlor, K-3 – Fellowship Hall	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Easter Worship	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Parlor; Preschool – Room #405	
	Lower Elementary (K-2) – Room #402	
	Upper Elementary (3-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

It's here! It's Holy Week!

This is the week where the story that sits at the center of our faith comes to life. This story will take us to different places.

We will wave palms in streets crowded with parade watchers.

We will sit together in the quiet intimacy of an upper room.

We will pray in the midnight hours of the garden.

We will stand in utter shock and awe in front of a hill of crosses, only to arrive at the doorway of an empty tomb a week from today.

This week will bring the full range of emotions.

We will experience joy, excitement, confusion, love, forgiveness, doubt, fear, anger, horror, sadness, despair, wonder, and hope.

It is a week full of experiences you won't want to miss.

Thursday, April 18

Thursday evening at 7:00, we will turn the sanctuary into the Upper Room and have a powerful night of singing and sharing communion together.

Friday, April 19

Friday at noon, we will come to witness the tragedy of the cross.

Friday evening at 7:00, you will want to come and experience The 7 Last Words night of poetry and music. This is a truly unique service and a great offering for the broader community.

Easter Weekend

Saturday at 4:00 pm will offer a meaningful and casual Easter experience.

Sunday morning at 7:00 am we will rise and shine with a service on the front lawn.

Then, at 9:00 and 11:00, we will go big with an Easter Morning celebration of great music and inspiring preaching.

Please come and join us this week—it won't be the same without you.

Grace and Peace,



Pastor Jeff