



Sunday, July 28
11:00 am Worship

ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i>	Bradley Sowash
Song	God Loves You (and There's Nothing You Can Do)	
Call to Worship		
Song	We Will Be the Change	Caleb Williams
Greeting and Invitation to Mission		
Music Ministry	<i>Man Gave Names To All the Animals</i> Canticle	Bob Dylan
Noisy Bucket		
Music Ministry	<i>Best News Ever</i> Revelation	Garcia/Glover/Olds
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>The Best Day of My Life</i> Angelus	The American Authors
Doxology #95		*UMH
Scripture	Matthew 16:18-19	**CEB
Message	Take the Keys, Be the Change	Jeff Nelson
Hymn #572	Pass It On	UMH
Camp Song	<i>They Say (Be the Change)</i>	Caleb Williams
Postlude	<i>Postlude on Hymn to Joy</i>	Jason Payne

* United Methodist Hymnal
** Common English Bible

OPPORTUNITIES

Boards, Dice, & Cards: Games in the Parlor

Sunday, August 11, 1:00-4:00 pm

As summer rolls in and vacations and camps fill our schedules, it is easier to drift from our church family. Games are a way to bring people back together for a day. Join us for a family-friendly day of board, dice, and card games next Sunday. With old classics and easy-to-learn new games, there will be something for everyone. If you have any questions, contact the church office at office@rofum.org.



Gardening And Service



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Can you recognize a weed from a weigela or a dandelion from a daisy? We are building a team to help keep the church and parking lot flower beds free of those pesky weeds. Joining the team is easy: stop by the church whenever you can and pick a spot to pull some weeds. With no set schedule, you can fit time to serve into your busy life. You may just run into someone you know and get to catch up, and you may meet some new friends! If you have any questions, contact Charlene Kondrat at trustees@rofum.org.

Service Opportunity at Redford Brightmoor Initiative

Saturday, August 3, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Join us at Redford Brightmoor Initiative in Redford to help prepare and serve lunch during their Free Store on Saturday, March 16, 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Sign up online at rofum.org/links or at the Connect Here Desk at church. For more information, contact Astrid Harrod at 248-635-6357 or RBI@rofum.org.



PRAYER LIST

Prayers for our church family: Estelle Knoy; Greg Umstead; Eileen Albers; Marguerite Nowacek; Mary Anne Tempest; Ken Burton; Suzanne Hughes; Marilyn Hocking; Don & Marilyn McCreedy; Vel Lowman; Jim Walbridge; Gil Lewis; Delores Miller; Dian Wurdock; Peggy Gill; Lee Hoffmann; Beth Wilson; John Wagster; Dave & Sue Minch; Zenovia Courtney; Anne Brace; Dan Mayer; Nancy Lorenz; Lisa Rye; Pam Shewchuck

Prayers for our extended family: The Wingate Family; Cindy Sheets; Neal Franks; Lynn Popa; Brenda Parsons; Allen Warren; James B.; Helen McGee; Nancy Sydanmaa; Rosie Crean-Glasser; Becky Maas-Krigger & Jason Krigger; Hon. Jamie Wittenberg; Carol Miller; Nancy Lee Matson; John Orletski; Tom Murray; Shelia Boyer; Kris Beachum; Carl Wilson; George Bartley; David Moser; Carol Barney; Tim Johnson; Brian Boozan; Chuck Bartley; Clayton Simons

Sympathy to Mary Anne Tempest on the death of her husband, Jim Tempest, July 15.

Homebound Member of the Week: Phyllis Bartle

For the complete Prayer List, please contact
our Pastoral Care Team at prayers@rofum.org.

SUPPORT GROUPS

AA – Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Parlor

Nar-Anon – Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the Youth Room

Straight Spouse Network – 2nd Friday of each month at
7:00 pm in the Parlor

CHOIR CAMP

This Sunday, we welcome back 94 of our youngsters from Choir Camp. In addition, we had over 45 adults participating as cabin counselors, class instructors, Olympic trainers, and overall supervisors.

For over 66 years, the Music Guild has been proud to support the Camp and to keep the cost down and affordable for our children. Most people do not know, however, that the cost of the Camp is not part of the operating budget of the Church. Last year, the total cost of Choir Camp was \$38,706.72 with Music Guild underwriting approximately \$20,440 of that amount with individual camper fees making up the difference. This does not include individual scholarships (we leave no church member behind) and, of course, the hundreds of volunteer hours put in by the camp staff and Music Guild members.

The Music Guild relies totally on its fund-raising efforts. If you care to donate to the Music Guild at this time and add yourself as a financial member, simply fill out the form below and return it to the Church Office with a contribution. If you wish to become an active Music Guild member, contact Music Guild President, Craig Sleeman, at MusicGuild@rofum.org.

Music Guild Contribution

I/We would like to contribute to the Music Guild in support of Choir Camp and the music programs of the church.

Name(s) _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Address _____

(Optional) In honor/memory of: _____

Please make checks payable to Royal Oak First.

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 28 – Camp Sunday

9:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket	Sanctuary
	Nursery & Preschool – Nursery, K-5 – Parlor	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space
11:00 am	Worship & Noisy Bucket	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Nursery; Preschool – Room #405	
	Elementary (K-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space

Monday, July 29

9:00 am	Royal Oak Children’s Choir	Room #414
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Director Team Meeting	Youth Room
6:00 pm	AA Meeting	Parlor

Tuesday, July 30

9:00 am	Piano Lessons	Parlor
9:00 am	Royal Oak Children’s Choir	Room #414
9:00 am	Worship Planning Retreat	Youth Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Pub(lic) Theology	Jolly Pumpkin
7:00 pm	Women’s Book and Bible Study Group	Royal Oak Taphouse

Wednesday, July 31

9:30 am	Arts, Beats, & Eats Meeting	Fellowship Hall
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
1:00 pm	Piano Lesson	Choir Room
3:15 pm	Piano Lesson	Choir Room

Wednesday, July 31 continued

4:30 pm	Violin Lesson	Parlor
6:00 pm	AA Meeting	Parlor
6:00 pm	Youth Backyard Blast.....	Carolyn Gabler's Home
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon	Youth Room
7:30 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Room #414

Thursday, August 1

9:00 am	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Ascend Church	Sanctuary

Friday, August 2

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Choir Room
10:00 am	Roga (Chair Yoga).....	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making.....	Kitchen
4:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Saturday, August 3

1:00 pm	Wedding	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Worship & Communion	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Ascend Church	Sanctuary

Sunday, August 4

9:00 am	Worship & Communion	Sanctuary
	Nursery & Preschool – Nursery, K-5 – Parlor	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space
11:00 am	Worship & Communion	Sanctuary
	Nursery – Nursery; Preschool – Room #405	
	Elementary (K-5) – Room #403	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

This July marked the beginning of my fourth year as the pastor of Royal Oak First. Hoping to hear your deepest hopes and dreams, Bridget and I attended several backyard and in-home gatherings with church members that first summer. The one dream that was atop of almost everyone's list was to build a vital Children and Youth program. Nothing could have warmed my heart more!

Growing churches love to make room for young people and their families.

I have been so proud of our staff team and lay leaders who have worked hard to create more opportunities for children, youth, and families to grow in their love and knowledge of Christ. We hope that through these opportunities, children, youth, and families will make lifelong friends and put their faith into action through meaningful mission and service. It is an exciting time here at Royal Oak First.

This past week was one of the culminating experiences of the year in children and youth programming. For over 60 years Royal Oak First young people have been gathering for a week singing, praying, eating and playing together in the beautiful setting of the Michigan woods. This year we had 94 kids attend our annual Camp Choir Camp. By all accounts, it was a great, great week where friendships were made and roots to the faith community were deepened.

None of this would have been possible without the labor and support of you. We want to thank all the staff and volunteers that helped make this week possible. We want to thank all those who helped prior to camp. We want to thank each of you who wrote a letter to a camper. And we want to thank all of you who donated financial support to help make this experience possible.

Your love and support of children, youth, and families is amazing, and it is making a difference.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Pastor Jeff" with a simple smiley face drawn below the word "Pastor".