

Faith That Heals



**BUILDING
ON THE VISION**

Saturday, October 26
4:00 pm Worship

ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn #545	The Church's One Foundation Stanzas 1, 4 and 5	*UMH
Call to Worship		Bob Prud'homme
Song #328	Surely the Presence of the Lord	UMH
Greeting Your Neighbor		
Invitation to Mission		
Noisy Bucket		
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Refine Me</i> Brian Wright	Jennifer Knapp
Doxology #95		UMH
Scripture	Mark 2:1-12	**CEB
Message	A Faith that Heals	Myra Moreland
Hymn #133	Leaning on the Everlasting Arms	UMH

This week's Lego display was created by the Updyke Family.

OPPORTUNITIES

Aging In Grace

Sunday, October 27, 12:15 pm

Normal Cognitive Decline vs. Dementia: When to Worry with Lynn Breuer, LMSW, CHC

Sunday, November 3, 12:15 pm

Successful Aging Through Financial Empowerment with LaToya Hall, MSW

Sunday, November 10, 12:15 pm

Mental Health Concerns of Aging with Matthew Swarts, MSSW, LMSW



Service Opportunity at Redford Brightmoor Initiative

Saturday, November 9, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm



Join us at Redford Brightmoor Initiative in Redford to help prepare and serve lunch during their Free Store. 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**.

Missions Coordinator Position Available

At Royal Oak First, we strive to make a real difference in our community. The Missions Coordinator serves to organize missional collections, help us care for our hungry and homeless neighbors, and work with our community mission partners. For more information, visit rofum.org/jobs or **contact Jennifer Tripoli at jtripoli@rofum.org**.



Bag Lunches for the NOAH Project

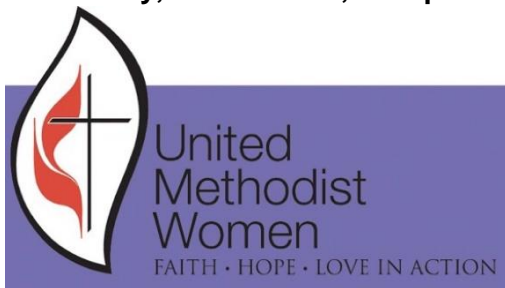
Collection ends Sunday, November 3



Our Children, Youth, and Families program will be making 600 sandwiches and bag lunches for our friends at The NOAH Project, and you can help. ROY is looking for juice boxes, fruit cups, applesauce cups, raisins, pudding cups, cookies, muffins, small candy, chips, pretzels, cheese or peanut butter crackers, or granola bars to fill out the bags. Drop off your items in the collection boxes in the Narthex by Sunday, November 3. If you have any questions, **contact Bridget Nelson at bnelson@rofum.org**.

United Methodist Women

Thursday, November 7, 1:00 pm



The United Methodist Women reading program is a wonderful way to find new books to read and make new friends. Join us to learn more about this program and make your pledge for next year's UMW ministries. This month, we will collect our annual World Thank Offering to advance mission and advocacy around the world.

All Saints Celebration

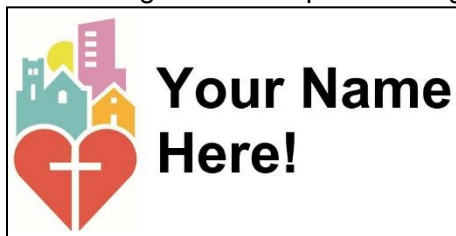
November 16 & 17

On November 16 & 17, we will remember the many beloved church members, family members, and friends who have died since October 30, 2018. The names of these loved ones will be included in the All Saints pages in the bulletin. To have your friend or loved one included, please send your name, the name of the deceased, your relationship to the deceased, and the date of death to Sam Garrett at sgarrett@rofum.org by Wednesday, November 13.



Name Tags have moved!

The single most hospitable thing you can do at church is wear a name tag. In order to make it easier for everyone to find their name tags, they are now on the table in the Narthex. Take this opportunity to make a habit of finding and wearing your name tag so you can be greeted by your name on Sundays. After worship, you can simply return your name tag to the basket at the table and we will put it back in its place for you.



Hospitality Service Opportunities Available

In order to make sure everyone feels welcome at coffee hour, we have created a new position on the hospitality team. Roaming Coffee Hour servers will help make sure that everyone has a place to sit, snacks and beverages to enjoy, and someone to talk to after worship. If you are a friendly person with a passion for making others feel welcome, **contact George Marck at gmarck@rofum.org** to join the team.



Produce Collection for Redford Brightmoor Initiative



Our friends at the RBI Free Store provide fresh produce to their shoppers every Saturday, and we are going to help. You can sign up to bring two bags of produce to Royal Oak First or transport the donations to RBI on the second Saturday of every month. Slots are limited, so sign up soon. Sign up online at rofum.org/links or contact Astrid Harrod at rbi@rofum.org if you have any questions.

Christmas Store Collections

Our friends at Cass Community Social Services and Redford-Brightmoor Initiative both provide a free Christmas Store where needy families in Detroit can “shop” for gifts for their family for Christmas. Throughout the month of November, we will be collecting toys and gifts for the Cass Christmas Store, and children’s winter coats and boots for the RBI Christmas Store.



Cass needs toys, puzzles, games, dolls, sports equipment, books, crafts, and clothes for kids. They ask that we don’t send anything that requires batteries. Items should be new and unwrapped. The children’s winter coats and boots for the RBI Christmas store can be any size from infant to 18-20, and should be new and unwrapped.

Please place your donations in the collection boxes in the Narthex.

RECENT PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers for our church family: Dick LaCombe; Judy Ather; Jack Hughes; Margery Youngs; Peggy Gill; James Respecki; Karen Calhoun; Beckham Boozan; John Boyse; Pecky Lewis; Janet Kinney; Dick & Judy Bryan

Prayers for our extended family: Schodowski Family; Nancy Siddall; Ryan O’Hara; Marshall Knight; Dennis Clifton; Mark Palmer; Vickie Zimmerman; Ryan Monte; Sheila Boyer; Margie Reese; Norma Jean Wilke; Carol Barney; Kris Beachum

Senior Spotlight: Florence Martin

This list includes prayer concerns from the past six weeks.
For the complete Prayer List, please contact our
Pastoral Care Team at prayers@rofum.org.

The rose on the Altar is in celebration of the birth of Robin Gray Talaga, son of Mark and Natalie Talaga.

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 27

9:00 am	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Room #307
9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Infants & Toddlers – Nursery	
	Sunday School (Preschool-Grade 8) – Bible Times Square	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space
10:15 am	Half Truths	Room #305
10:15 am	Pastor Chat.....	1 st Floor Conference Room
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Infants & Toddlers – Nursery	
	Sunday School (Preschool-Grade 8) – Bible Times Square	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour	Gathering Space
12:00 pm	Royal Oak Spooktacular	Downtown Royal Oak
12:15 pm	Ageing in Grace	Fellowship Hall
12:15 pm	Pastor Chat.....	1 st Floor Conference Room
5:30 pm	Cantata Academy Chorale	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Youth Group Dinner	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Youth Group	ROY Commons
7:00 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsals.....	Choir Room & Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Youth Group Seniors Small Group.....	Bowlero Lanes

Monday, October 28

10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	Director Team Meeting	ROY Commons
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	AA Meeting	1 st Floor Conference Room
6:00 pm	Piano Lesson.....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	The Experience of Loss	Room #201
7:00 pm	Leadership Meeting	Parlor
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 1601	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Chapel
8:00 pm	Men's Bible Study	Parlor

Tuesday, October 29

9:00 am	First Friends.....	Nursery
10:00 am	Discipleship Fast Track.....	Parlor
10:00 am	The Good and Beautiful Life	ROY Commons
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons	Parlor
5:00 pm	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Choir Room & Chapel

Tuesday, October 29 continued

6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit!	Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball.....	Addams Elementary School
7:00 pm	The Good and Beautiful Life	ROY Commons
7:00 pm	Weird Bible	Room #305

Wednesday, October 30

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	Parlor
3:15 pm	Piano Lesson	Sanctuary
3:30 pm	Violin Lessons.....	Parlor
5:30 pm	Holy COW.....	Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
6:00 pm	AA Meeting	1 st Floor Conference Room
6:00 pm	Discipleship Fast Track.....	Parlor
6:15 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsals	Room #201, Sanctuary, Choir Room
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir	Room #307
6:30 pm	Infant/Toddler Music	Bible Times Square (Chapel)
6:30 pm	Understanding Good and Evil	Room #303
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	Nar-Anon	ROY Commons
7:30 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Chapel
7:45 pm	Piano	Room #307

Thursday, October 31 – Halloween

10:00 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
3:00 pm	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Room #307
7:00 pm	Faith and Sexuality Meeting.....	The Office Coffee Shop
7:00 pm	Love Wins.....	Parlor
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary & Choir Room

Friday, November 1

9:30 am	As We Gather Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Roga Chair Yoga	Choir Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program	Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm	Therapeutic Rehab Sandwich Making.....	Kitchen
5:00 pm	Women's Retreat Begins	
6:00 pm	AA Meeting	Parlor

Saturday, November 2

Women's Retreat

10:00 am	Memorial Service	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Worship	Sanctuary

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

It is easy for everyday, hardworking folks like us to feel like the big difference makers are those who can write checks with lots of zeros. Unless I win the Megabucks, (which I'd have to play if I wanted to win, right?) my family will never get its name in the paper or our faces on television for donating big money to worthy causes. How do regular folks like us ever get to be a part of something significant?

That is what being involved in the local church is all about! The church has always been God's way of allowing people like us to be a part of changing lives and transforming the world. This year you and I will have contributed nearly \$1 million to a movement whose sole purpose is to make a positive impact in our community and throughout the world. Nearly \$1 million! Never in my wildest dreams did I think would be a part of something this significant.

We couldn't do this without the church. We could not do this without each other.

Consider what God has done this year through our giving:

- 15,000 personal hygiene items for our neighbors in Brightmoor
- 11,000 meals served to hungry folks right here in Royal Oak
- 10,000 dollars to Ruth Ellis and Affirmations to support vulnerable kids and teens
- 8,000 pairs of socks for the homeless and hungry of Detroit
- 4,000 dollars to provide education for children in Uganda
- 1,000 bottles of Pedialyte for shelters on our nation's Southern Borders
- 100s of pillows and blankets for teens experiencing homelessness in Royal Oak
- 100s of Free Hugs at Ferndale and Royal Oak Pride
- 100 children and youth each week experiencing Christ's love made real
- 50+ funerals and bereavement care for families after the loss of a loved one
- 40 violins for low-income kids to experience music
- 8 Lithuanian churches receiving hope and support
- 6 Birthday Parties for the boys at The Methodist Children's Home
- 1 dedicated effort to help move one young man from the streets to his own apartment.

God is using the sacrificial giving of regular folks like you and me to change lives and transform the world.

Thank you for being a part of this movement here at Royal Oak First. Together we are making a difference.

Grace and Peace,

