

Sunday

February  
2

11:00 am  
Worship



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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

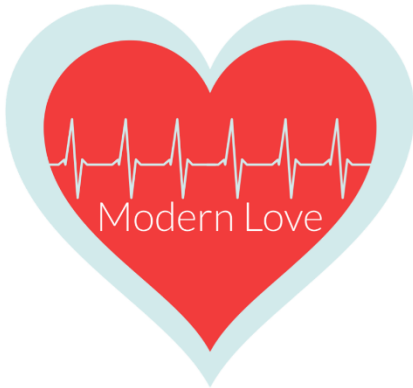
Today's Song Leader		Kelsey Lockwood
Prelude	<i>Aria</i>	Michael Burkhardt
Hymn #378	Amazing Grace Stanzas 1-4	*UMH
Call to Worship		Ginny Borts
Hymn #70	Glory Be to the Father	UMH
Welcome		
Invitation to Mission		
Time of Prayer		Pastor Ed Rowe
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Hallelujah</i> High School Choir	Cohen, arr. by J. Semivan
Doxology #95		UMH
Scripture	Zechariah 7:9-10 and Micah 6:8	**NRSV
Message	The Opposite of Poverty	Myra Moreland
Communion	<i>Come Away</i> Sanctus	Ken Medema
Song #2172	We Are Called	***FWS
Postlude	<i>Toccata on Amazing Grace</i>	J. Christopher Pardini

\* United Methodist Hymnal  
\*\* New Revised Standard Version  
\*\*\* Faith We Sing



# Love and Logic®

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Take the Survey!

[rofum.org/modernlove](http://rofum.org/modernlove)

Submit your responses by  
Sunday, February 2.



## Fish Dinners

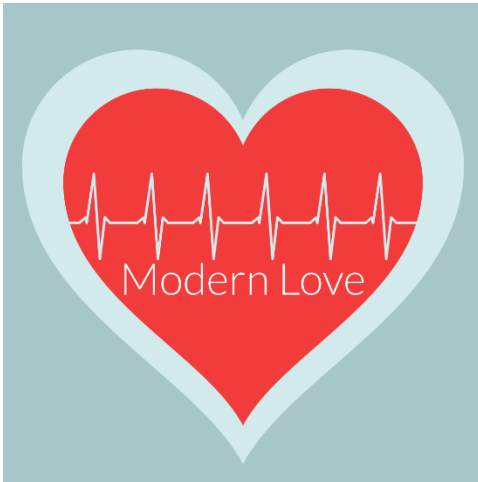
4:30-7:00 pm  
February 21,  
March 6 & 20,  
& April 3

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Sub Sale

**Sunday, February 2**

The youth group will be making subs for you on Super Bowl Sunday, February 2. They will be available for pick-up following worship services in the Gathering Space. All subs contain ham, salami, and two kinds of cheese. Lettuce, tomato, onion, and condiments will be available at pick-up. Subs are \$6 or two for \$10. All funds will go to support our youth summer service trips. If you have any questions, **contact Bridget Nelson at [bnelson@rofum.org](mailto:bnelson@rofum.org)**.



## Modern Love Survey

**Responses due Sunday, February 2**

Our February worship series will be Modern Love, inspired by the popular podcast of the same name. To help us with this series, we have created a survey to know what our members think about love and relationships. You can find the survey at [rofum.org/modernlove](http://rofum.org/modernlove) or you can pick up a paper copy at the Connect Here Desk and return it to the church office. Submit your anonymous responses by Sunday, February 2. If you have any questions, **contact Sam Garrett at [sgarrett@rofum.org](mailto:sgarrett@rofum.org)**.

## Produce Collection for Redford Brightmoor Initiative

**Friday, February 7 & Saturday, February 8**

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 Saturday. Slots are limited, so sign up soon. Sign up online at [rofum.org/links](http://rofum.org/links) or **contact Astrid Harrod at [rbi@rofum.org](mailto:rbi@rofum.org)** if you have any questions.



## Love & Logic Seminar

**Friday, February 7, 6:00-9:00 pm**

**Saturday, February 8, 9:00 am-12:00 pm**



Love and Logic is a research driven, whole-child philosophy dedicated to making parenting fun and rewarding instead of stressful and chaotic! For over 40 years, parents have been getting practical tools and techniques that help achieve healthy, respectful relationships with their children. Join us for this two-day seminar with a qualified Love and Logic trainer. Meet other parents and learn some great techniques and strategies! The cost is \$50 per family and nursery care will be available for children 5 and under. **Sign up online at [rofum.org/lovelogic](http://rofum.org/lovelogic) or contact Bridget Nelson at [bnelson@rofum.org](mailto:bnelson@rofum.org)** if you have any questions.

## Men's Fellowship Breakfast

**Saturday, February 8, 9:00 am**

Come and enjoy a breakfast prepared by our own Jay Dunstan. Following breakfast we will discuss plans for finishing up some projects around the church like painting, floor care, etc. If you have any questions, contact the team at [mensfellowship@rofum.org](mailto:mensfellowship@rofum.org)



## Men's Chorus

**Performs Sunday, February 16, 11:00 am**

A special Men's Chorus will perform on Sunday, February 16, at the 11:00 am worship service. Come and lift your voice in praise. Rehearsals will be at 12:30 pm on Sunday, January 26, and February 2 and 9. If you have any questions, **contact Neal Harris at 248-765-5618.**

## Fish Dinners are Coming Soon!

February 21, March 6 & 20, & April 3

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, fellowship, and service. Adult meals start at \$10.

Opportunities to serve are available to everyone (children and youth even get credit for Choir Camp,) so be sure to sign up at [rofum.org/links](http://rofum.org/links). If you have any questions, or if you would like to help make these dinners successful, contact Jennifer Tripoli at [jtripoli@rofum.org](mailto:jtripoli@rofum.org).



## Doing Our Own Work: An Anti-Racism Seminar for White People

March 6 & 7, April 3 & 4, and May 1 & 2, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

DOING  
OUR OWN  
WORK

Anti-racist action and reflection form the heart of Doing Our Own Work. Each participant is invited to identify a “sphere of influence” that serves as the focus of action and reflection. Participants will explore the following topics and issues: the four realms of racism and change, historical roots of racism in the U.S., movements for racial justice in the U.S., white privilege, claiming and shaping an anti-racist identity, practicing the skills of interrupting racism, strategies for institutional change, and developing networks of support and accountability.

Lead by Dessa Cosma and Liz Miller, the cost for this 6-day seminar \$575, including a nonrefundable \$100 deposit. This cost includes the program, resource materials, and snacks & beverages for all six days. Scholarships and payment plans are available. To register or find more information, **go to [rofum.org/links](http://rofum.org/links)**.

## Spring Trek

April 6-11, 2020

Royal Oak First Adventures is pleased to announce Spring Trek 2020 at Red River Gorge Geological Area southeast of Lexington, KY. 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. If your family would like to attend, contact Jon Cline by text at 248-561-2975 or by email at [springtrek@rofum.org](mailto:springtrek@rofum.org) by Saturday, January 25.



## Endowment Fund

Royal Oak First is a thriving and growing Christ-centered community. Having both a long and short-term financial strategy in place to support continued growth is essential in any healthy church.

Toward that end, a team of church members has been established with responsibility to address our Endowment Fund. If you don't know yet about the Endowment Fund, it is essentially the church's long-term savings account that made possible the building renovation that we enjoy today. Over the next couple of months, we will share information on the fund's purpose, how you can contribute (if you choose to do so), how it is managed, and a long-term vision to further develop the fund and its uses.



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*Building for the future*

If you have any questions or are considering legacy gifts, please contact John Boyse, Endowment Fund Team Leader, at 248-224-6006.



# RECENT PRAYER CONCERNS

**Prayers for our church family:** Vickie Zimmerman; Jan Carlson; James Respecki; Woody Siddall; Tim Olson; Bruce Conrad; Jennifer Semivan; Jane & Phil Button; Don McCreedy; Barb Nicholas; Patty Dunstan; Kim Abela-Godfrey; John Wagster; Marge Youngs; Carol Hardt; Betty Lawson; Anne Vincent; Dick & Judy Bryan

**Prayers for our extended family:** Suan McNabb; Margie Reese; Paula Yocum; Paul Hendrickson; Bill Kincannon; Marshal Knight; Jackson Turner; Neva Aredyan; Sheila Boyer; Elaine Berndes; Susie Inch; Leslie Inch; Kris Beachum

**Senior Spotlight:** Marcia Armstrong

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](mailto:prayers@rofum.org).

# SUPPORT GROUPS

## **AA Meetings**

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6:00 pm in the Parlor

## **Nar-Anon**

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the Youth Room

## **Still Beloved for Spouses**

Second Friday of each month at 6:30 pm in the Parlor

# CALENDAR

## Sunday, February 2

9:00 am	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Room #307
9:00 am	Worship & Communion .....	Sanctuary
	Infants & Toddlers – Nursery	
	Sunday School (Pre-School-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade) – Bible Times Square	
10:00 am	Fellowship Hour .....	Parlor & Gathering Space
11:00 am	Worship & Communion .....	Sanctuary
	Infants & Toddlers – Nursery	
	Sunday School (Pre-School-8 <sup>th</sup> Grade) – Bible Times Square	
12:00 pm	Fellowship Hour .....	Parlor & Gathering Space
5:30 pm	Cantata Academy Chorale .....	Sanctuary & Parlor
5:30 pm	Core Values .....	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room
5:30 pm	Royal Oak Youth (ROY) Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	ROY Youth Group.....	ROY Commons
7:00 pm	ROY Choir Rehearsals .....	Bible Times Square & Choir Room

## Monday, February 3

9:30 am	Director Team Meeting .....	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Room #307
6:00 pm	AA Meeting .....	Parlor
6:00 pm	Refueling Our Faith Using Motors (ROFUM).....	Duggan's Irish Pub
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 1601 .....	Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm	Men's Bible Study .....	Parlor
8:00 pm	Music Guild Meeting .....	Choir Room

## Tuesday, February 4

9:00 am	First Friends.....	Nursery
10:00 am	Discipleship Fast Track.....	Parlor
10:00 am	Good & Beautiful Life .....	ROY Commons
10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
3:30 pm	Piano Lessons .....	Parlor
6:00 pm	Sing Out Detroit! .....	Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Men's Basketball.....	Addams Elementary School
7:00 pm	Good & Beautiful Life .....	ROY Commons
7:00 pm	Weirder Bible .....	Room #305
7:30 pm	Caring For Creation Grow Group .....	Parlor

## Wednesday, February 5

10:30 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Sermon Practice .....	Sanctuary
11:30 am	Retired Old Men Eating Out (ROME0) .....	The Avenue Restaurant
3:30 pm	Violin Lessons.....	Parlor
5:30 pm	Holy COW Dinner .....	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	AA Meeting .....	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room
6:00 pm	Discipleship Fast Track.....	Parlor
6:00 pm	Diversity Round Table.....	Choir Room
6:15 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsals .....	Theater, Sanctuary, & Faith Lab
6:15 pm	The Shack .....	Room #303
6:30 pm	Carillon Bell Choir .....	Room #307
6:30 pm	Infant/Toddler Music Experience.....	Bible Times Square
6:30 pm	Understanding Good & Evil.....	Room #305
7:30 pm	House Band Rehearsal.....	Sanctuary
7:30 pm	NAR Anon.....	ROY Commons
7:30 pm	Soul Stretch Yoga.....	Bible Times Square
7:45 pm	Piano Lesson.....	Room #307

## Thursday, February 6

10:00 am	Lunch Program .....	Fellowship Hall
10:30 am	United Methodist Women Executive Meeting .....	Parlor
1:00 pm	UMW General Meeting & Program.....	Parlor
3:00 pm	Royal Oak Children's Choir.....	Room #307
3:15 pm	Piano Lesson.....	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	Sanctus Choir Rehearsal .....	Sanctuary
8:00 pm	Brew with Your Buds Men's Fellowship.....	Royal Oak Brewery

## Friday, February 7

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
6:00 pm	AA Meeting .....	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room

## Saturday, February 8

9:00 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast .....	Fellowship Hall
9:30 am	Ascend Church .....	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Worship .....	Sanctuary

# NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

The Faith and Film series is coming to an end and I have to say, it makes me a little sad. I love being in the theatre with my church family. My apologies to those of you who have had to sit beside me. I am a crier and yes, I had to put my hands over my eyes a couple of times during this last movie. Last Monday during the advertisement for the MJR Theater, we were all laughing, singing and clapping to some silly song. "It's more than a movie; it's a big night out. It's more fun at MJR (oh yeah) It's more fun at MJR!"

There is great truth there; it is indeed more than just a movie. It's also more than just a big night out. This my friends, is a taste of the kingdom, God's kingdom, where we all gather as family, where we are not afraid to laugh and cry together, where we find truth in cartoons and make space to look closely at the critical social issues of our time.

God is moving in this community in big ways. I am extremely grateful that you, at Royal Oak First, allow me to be a part of this movement. I'm taking on a full time role here and while in some ways it takes my breath away, it is a privilege to serve. I will work hard to keep the wheels on the bus and the good work that has begun moving forward so that Jeff Nelson can take the time and space he needs.

Starting next week, we are celebrating a month of "love". You know I am a child of the 60's so I cannot help myself. "Take a good look around, and if you are feeling down. Put a little Love in your heart."

Grace and Peace,



*Pastor Meya*