



TALE OF TWO DAUGHTERS



JUNE 27, 2021
ROYAL OAK FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>The Lord's Prayer</i> Albert Malotte	Polly Tan
Welcome		Jeff Nelson
Songs	<i>Spirit in the Sky</i> Norman Greenbaum	Youth Band
Call to Worship		Ginny Panone (9 am) Jennifer Semivan (11 am)
Invitation to Mission		Erica Plesco
Time of Prayer		Jeff Nelson
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	<i>Consolation Number 3</i> Franz Liszt	Polly Tan
Doxology #95		*UMH
	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	
Scripture	Mark 5:21-43	**NIV
Message	Tale of Two Daughters	Jeff Nelson
Song	<i>Love Can Change the World</i> Aaron Niequist	Youth Band
Benediction		

*United Methodist Hymnal
** New International Version

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Summer Clothes Collection

In addition to food, our lunch program distributes clothing to those in need in our community. Summer is here, and the weather is heating up. We are getting a lot of requests for men's summer clothes to help them keep cool in the increasing heat. If you have any gently used men's summer clothing you can donate, you can drop it off at the church on Sundays during worship or during office hours Monday-Thursday, 10-3.



Backyard Gatherings

Five Dates Still Available!

Be sure to sign up for any of the five different backyard gatherings this summer. We will gather in the backyards of various church families to reconnect, socialize and eat! There will also be one Zoom gathering for those who would rather socialize virtually. In-person gatherings will be potluck style, so bring your favorite side dish or dessert. Dates are June 30, July 10, July 16, July 19, August 5 (Zoom), and August 11. Sign up online at rofum.org/backyards.

Summer Camp Registration is Open!

July 19-23, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm, Evening activities to-be-determined

Summer Camp Registration deadline is June 30, so please sign up today!

It's time to get ready for camp! If you've never been to camp before, this is a great time to start. If you have been coming to camp for years, this time will look a little different as we will be staying in Royal Oak and the camp will be during the day. There will be some pretty fantastic games, crafts, Bible study, swimming, and so much more. There is no better place to have a ton of fun and grow spiritually at the same time.

The cost for summer camp is \$80 per child. We want to make sure that cost is never a barrier to participation in our church family, so camperships are available for church members and constituents if needed. The fee includes the cost of the camp t-shirt. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Tripoli at jtripoli@rofum.org. Register your child at rofum.org/connect/summer-camp by June 30.



I Wonder Vacation Bible School

August 8-11, 6-8 pm

In this four-part series for Vacation Bible School, we're going to engage kids' imaginations! Kids will not only get curious about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, but also about the God who created it all! Cost is as follows: \$20 for the first child in a family; \$10 per additional child; \$50 maximum per family. At Royal Oak First, we strive to ensure that cost is never a reason to exclude a family. If the cost of I Wonder Vacation Bible School is prohibitive for your family, contact our Sunday School Coordinator, Christine Ryckman, at cryckman@rofum.org. To register your child, visit rofum.org/vbs.



In-Person Worship



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Sundays at 9 & 11 am

As the pandemic begins to slowly roll to a close, we are able to offer more opportunities for in-person worship and connections. In order to keep everyone safe, attendance will be limited. Nursery care will be available for preregistered children age 4 and under and Sunday School will be available for preregistered children age 5-grade 5. **Through Sunday, July 4**, sign up at rofum.org/in-person-worship.

Welcome Home!

Beginning on **Sunday, July 11**, you will no longer need to make a reservation, and face masks and social distancing will be optional for both our 9:00 and 11:00 am services. We will be able to sing, greet our neighbors, and stay after worship to have a cup of coffee and catch up with our friends and maybe even make a new acquaintance or two. And of course, if you are not able to be present or not quite ready to come back, we are committed to providing a quality online worship experience through our website at rofum.org/live.



Coffee Hour

Service Opportunities



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With the building fully re-opening on July 11, we will have opportunities for you to serve. Coffee hour is an integral part of the Sunday experience and we are thrilled to be able to bring it back. If you would like to help serve, contact Mike Monte at mmonte@rofum.org.

RECENT PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers for our church family: Sue Minch; Audrey Leenhouts; Patricia Callahan; Neil Franks; Lee Hoffmann; Todd Wells; Sarah Beth Wells; Dave Minch; Aloma Mirjah; Sherry Giles; John Wagster; Bill Howell; Tom Soboleski; Maya Lane Harris; Bob Russell; Amy Youngquist; Kimberlyn Palchak; Addison Frachalla; Diane Shornak; Janet Ramseyer; Florence Martin; Cindy McCarthy; Carrie Morse; Nancy Lorenz; Betty Lawson; Fred Bowden; Marian Kremer

Prayers for our extended family: Margie Reese; Linda Morrell; Dora Jackler; Marc Reddekopp; Gina Mirjah; Kaylee; Karen White; Vanessa & Katelyn Elrod; Michael McFarlane; Mike J.; Tim Bell; Darryl Warren; Sue Sugden; Scott R.; Sally Sou; Mary Jo Cady; Teresa Baker

Congratulations to Sharon Cross on the birth of her grandson James Warren Morris on June 22.

Senior Spotlight: Joe & Inge Wichers

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

NOTES

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LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

~Matthew 25:40

"Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words."

~St. Francis of Assisi

*"If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning.
I'd hammer in the evening, all over this land."*

~Saints Peter, Paul and Mary

Dear Royal Oak Friends and Family,

I am proud to report that our children and youth were in mission this past week. On Monday, our 3rd through 5th graders met and made 200 sandwiches to support the work of the Noah Project and six fleece blankets to support our neighbors at Common Ground Sanctuary. In addition, we sent 13 middle-schoolers and 11 high-schoolers to Detroit to partner with the Motown Mission. Our young people worked in community gardens and helped elders with yard work, painting, and home repair. Each day they focused on a word of the day and a key scripture to guide their work. They laughed together, prayed together, shared meals together, and most importantly grew in their faith together.

At Royal Oak First our mission is to make Christ's love real. We claim Faith in Action as one of our three core values. For us, our relationship with Christ is about *both* worship *and* service. For us they go hand in hand. In fact, we know you cannot have one without the other. We give thanks for the leadership of our Children, Youth and Families team of Bridget Nelson, Danielle Moody, Christine Ryckman, Ashley Erard, and Jennifer Semivan for consistently inviting our young people to answer the call of Jesus to serve. To cap off this week of service, our Youth Band will be leading worship this Sunday - another great way to make Christ's love real.

I hope you are getting more and more excited about returning to worship on July 11th. It will be so good to be together. In these weeks and months to come, we will offer more ways to be engaged in mission and service. From swinging a hammer, to serving food, to donating time and resources, I am so glad to be a part of a movement that seeks to make Christ's love real.

Grace and Peace,

