



Feel Before God

Sunday, November 14, 2021 9:00AM and 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	"Resound and Rejoice" arr. Jason Krug	Carillon Ringers
Bell Peal		Carillon Ringers
Hymn #715 (*UMH)	Rejoice, the Lord Is King	Congregational Singing
Call to Worship		Erica Plesco (9AM) Al Beachum (11AM)
Musical Response	"Rooted in Love"	Congregational Singing
Invitation to Mission		Jeff Nelson
Mission Moment		Jennie Notorantonio
Time of Prayer		Erica Plesco (9AM) Al Beachum (11AM)
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	"Morning Prayer" arr. Michael Mazzatenta	Carillon Ringers
Doxology #95 (*UMH)	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	
Scripture (**CEB)	Psalm 31:9-20	Erica Plesco (9AM) Al Beachum (11AM)
Message	Feel Before God	Jeff Nelson
Hymn #2214 (**TFWS)	Lead Me, Guide Me	Congregational Singing
Benediction		Jeff Nelson
Postlude	"Rigaudon" Andre Campra	Kyle Webber

**United Methodist Hymnal*
***Common English Bible*
****The Faith We Sing*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



HOLIDAY GREENS SALE ENDS ON NOVEMBER 21!

Music Guild Greens Sale benefits our Summer Choir Camp Program to help offset the cost to ensure camp is affordable for every child. **You can place your pre-paid orders at www.rofum.org/greens or by calling the church office at 248-541-4100.**



RBI PRODUCE - SHOPPERS NEEDED

We are looking for additional volunteers to shop for produce on December 10 and January 7. As a volunteer, you will shop for produce on Thursday or Friday, then separate it into 13 variety bags for families and drop them off at the designated delivery person's home. This is a quick and rewarding way to help families in need to access healthy foods. Visit www.rofum.org to sign up today.



TAKE HOME ADVENT WREATHS

As we enter into this season of watching and waiting, we have prepared a take home advent wreath for every household at Royal Oak First to help ground ourselves in the season. **You may pick one up after worship on November 21 or November 28 or by stopping by the church office during the week of November 22.**

**SATURDAY
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Please plan to join us on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 4:00 pm in the Parlor. **Any questions, please call Joyce Russell at 586.758.4729.**

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PASTOR CHAT

If you're new to Royal Oak First and you'd like to know more about our church or if you'd like to learn the next steps about how to become part of everything going on here, then come to the Pastor Chat. **The next Pastor Chat will be on Sunday, November 21 at 10:15 am in the Parlor** and last no more than 30 minutes. We look forward to seeing you!



Toy and Clothing Drive

Cass Community Social Services

CASS CHRISTMAS STORE

The Royal Oak First United Methodist Women's Group (UMW) is once again helping the children at Cass Community Social Services to celebrate Christmas. From November 14-December 12, you can contribute by bringing in **NEW unwrapped toys and NEW winter clothes appropriate for kids age birth to 18 years.** Please, avoid battery operated gifts. Thank you for helping the UMW continue their important mission of supporting women, youth, and children.

MUSIC GUILD PIE SALE

The Music Guild will be selling DUTCH APPLE PIES, BLUEBERRY DOUBLE LATTICE CRUST PIES and PUMPKIN CUSTARD PIES. **Orders will be taken until Sunday, November 21 or until we sell out.** Quantities are limited, so be sure to order now! **Pick up will be Wednesday, November 24 from 3-6 pm in Fellowship Hall or call 248-563-4119 and the pies will brought up to your car at the Lafayette Street door.** Pies are \$12, and you can order by going to www.rofum.org. Payment can be made at www.rofum.org/giving. All money raised will be for Choir Camp.



PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Michael Frank • Jane Button • Dorthea Schuldeis • Dorothy Matsumoto •
John Dorsey • Charlene Faunt • Paul Thompson • Mark Lowman • Carl Sweet •
Al & Barb Simmons • Laci Basel • Todd Wells • Janice Marsh • Nancy Lorenz •
Woody Siddall • Lisa Rye • Amy Youngquist • Barb Nicholas • Nancy Thompson •
Marian Kremer • Bob Prud'homme • Cynthia Cline • Melinda Loftin • Tom Soboleski •
Karen Wetzel • Audrey Leenhouts • Janet Ramseyer • John Wagster • Neil Franks •
Dave Minch • Patricia Callahan • Maya Lane Harris • Kimberlyn Palchak •
Diane Shornak • Carrie Morse • Fred Bowden •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Tim Johnson • David Healander • Flora Jones • Deni Bartley • Earl Hendrickson •
Evert & Kay Burchell • Neil Mullins • Effie Lambros • The Pushman Family •
Marc Reddekopp • Gina Mirjah • Michael McFarlane • Darryl Warren • Sue Sugden •
Sally Sou • Teresa Baker •

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

For the complete Prayer List,
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ADVENT 2021

Rooted in Patience

**Check your email and visit www.rofum.org
for all the details about Advent 2021!**

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I wanted to continue to update you on our COVID-19 cases in the last two weeks. We had seven persons connected with our choir test positive for COVID. I am so glad to report that all of them are recovering well and none required any hospitalization. In addition, I am thankful that there was no spread of the virus beyond the choir and the rehearsal prior to the October 31 worship. To ensure both the protection of myself and our community, I have tested twice in the last week and both tests were negative.

The events of this past week have been a reminder that we are still in the midst of this global pandemic. It has caused us to revisit our procedures and protocols to ensure we are balancing hospitality and safety. We have decided to pause all singing ensembles. We will call upon song leaders, soloists and small groups of two or three to provide music leadership for worship. A big thank you Tim Schoenherr, Erica Plesco, Tim Coleman and Kyle Webber for their creative and resilient leadership during these interesting times.

Two of the creative resilient responses to this moment will happen during Advent. Pastors Bridget and Jennifer will be hosting our annual women's Advent evening again via Zoom. This will give the women of the church a chance to connect together for worship and friendship at the start of this holy season. "Laughing All the Way: A Night of Christmas Cheer for Women" will be held on Monday, December 13 at 7:30pm via Zoom. More details on this event will follow soon.

The second will be our annual Feast of Carols Christmas Concert. This has been an annual favorite, combining all the musical ensembles in the church for a night of music to support our Music Guild and their efforts to support our summer Choir Camp. This year our Feast of Carols will be a Community-Wide Carol Sing outside on the front lawn and surrounding sidewalks. This will take place on Sunday, December 12 from 3:00-3:45pm. Together we will share the songs of the season with the community. There will be song sheets, hot chocolate, Christmas treats and some chairs for you to sit on. Please plan to come and share your love with the community.

This is what makes me so proud to be a part of Royal Oak First. In the midst of these difficult and often confusing times, we continue to find ways to gather and share the love of Christ with each other and the world. Thank you for doing all you can to keep yourself and our community safe. And thank you for joining us in all these creative ways of being the Church.

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay connected. Stay hopeful.

Grace and Peace,

