

You Have Heard it Said



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in the Way

Sunday, March 13, 2022 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	"Aria" Paul Manz	Kyle Webber
Welcome to Worship		Tim Schoenherr
Hymn #139 (*UMH)	"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"	Congregational Singing
Call to Worship		Joan Johnson
Response #2063 (**TFWS)	"You Are Worthy"	Congregational Singing
Invitation to Mission		Jeff Nelson
Mission Moment	United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)	Karla Goetz
Time of Prayer		Joan Johnson & Jeff Nelson
Sensory Room Dedication		Danielle Moody
Offering Our Tithes and Gifts		
Musical Offering	"Allegro" Leonard Vinci	Mike Matsumoto & Kimi Matsumoto
Doxology	"All For You"	Congregational Singing
Prayer of Dedication		Jeff Nelson
Scripture (**CEB)	Matthew 5:21-26	Joan Johnson
Message	You Have Heard it Said	Jeff Nelson
Hymn #428 (*UMH)	"For the Healing of the Nations"	Congregational Singing
Benediction		Jeff Nelson
Postlude	"Someone's Singing, Kumbayah" arr. John Behnke	Kyle Webber

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER BASKETS



EASTER BASKETS FOR CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Throughout March, we will be collecting items to fill fun activity bags for the kids receiving treatment at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. We are collecting Spring themed novelties for all ages. Ideas include: stickers, small egg filler toys, small crafts or games, Lego kits, coloring books, Crayola or RoseArt crayons/markers, Matchbox cars, board books, puzzles, lip balm, fun socks, stuffed animals, etc. To ensure safety and inclusiveness, the hospital requests that we do not send candy or items that are previously used, made of latex, or religious.

FISH DINNER CARRY-OUT HAS BEGUN

Our famous Fish Dinners are back for carry-out ONLY! On Fridays, March 11, March 25 and April 8, between 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., we will be offering carry-out only. All carry-outs will be brought to your car through the Tower entrance on 7th Street. For only \$13, you will get ½ lb. of fried Cod, a baked potato, and coleslaw. ALL fish dinners must be pre-ordered and pre-paid. For each meal you want to purchase, you will sign up for that many slots during a 15 minute window. Visit www.rofum.org to order or use this QR code:



TIME OF PRAYER

Royal Oak First is now offering a Time of Prayer every Tuesday from 11:00-11:30 a.m. Join one of our Pastors in the Sanctuary to review the prayer list, share our own joys and concerns and spend some time in silence with God. Contact Danielle Moody at dmoody@rofum.org with any questions.



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EATING AT PRONTO HELPS SUPPORT OUR LUNCH PROGRAM

Enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner at Pronto (608 S. Washington Ave., Royal Oak, MI 48067) and help our Royal Oak First Lunch Program at the same time. Just let your server know that you are from Royal Oak First and they will give 10% of your bill back to our program each month. This includes all bills containing food as well as any of your catering needs.



Ukraine Relief

SUPPORTING UKRAINE THROUGH UMCOR

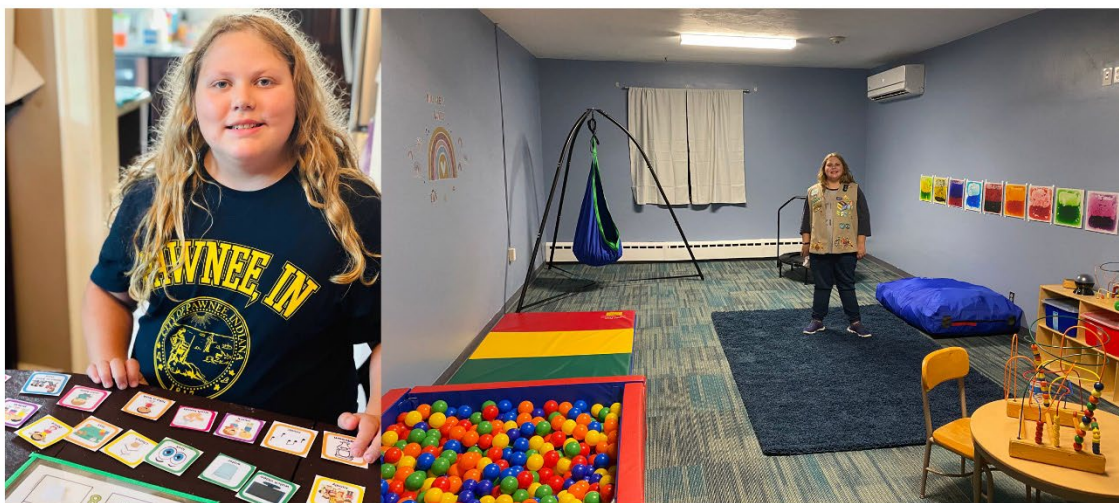
We have all seen the disastrous situation in Ukraine. As Christians we feel the frustration and fear that always accompanies war. As United Methodists, we feel the need to reach out to those that are experiencing loss. On Sunday, March 13, all Missions donations (given in person or online) will be used for UMCOR Ukraine relief. If you would like to help those victimized by this conflict, please consider donating to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) by visiting www.rofum.org or use this QR code:



MISSIONS TEAM MEETING IS THIS TUESDAY!

Do you have ideas for our Royal Oak First Missions programming? Have you been wanting to be more involved with our service throughout the community? Come join our Missions Team Meeting this Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in Room 305. All are welcome! If you have ideas but cannot attend, please email our Missions Coordinator, Karla Goetz, at missions@rofum.org.

“Peace Park” Sensory Room Dedication



As we have grown through the years, we saw a need here at our church to be sure that everyone can be included and be able to experience real love, form real friendships and make a real difference. To ensure that this could happen for those with special needs and their families came the dream of a sensory room. This project has been several years in the making, partly due to COVID, but we are pleased to announce that “Peace Park” has officially opened! We are grateful to the Plaxton Family for painting the room and to Shaelyn Simms who worked on this project as her Girl Scout Silver Award.



We are excited to be able to offer this safe and inclusive environment for our church friends and families. We hope that you will take a moment to check out the room located on the second floor in the Village. Shaelyn will be in “Peace Park” after worship to show you around and answer any questions.



holy week

at Royal Oak First 

Sunday, April 10, 9:00AM and 11:00AM -- IN PERSON & ONLINE
PALMSUNDAY

Worship in person or online as we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We will be led by our House Band and our children will participate in a Palm Parade and will also lead us in song.

Thursday, April 14, 7:00PM -- IN PERSON & ONLINE
MAUNDY-THURSDAY

This powerful evening service is a very meaningful night of hymn sing and communion as we commemorate Jesus' last meal with his disciples.

Friday, April 15, 12:00PM -- IN PERSON & ONLINE
GOOD FRIDAY

Join us in person or online for an impactful Good Friday worship service remembering Jesus' final day. This is a service of deep reflection.

Friday, April 15, 7:00PM -- IN PERSON & ONLINE
7 LAST WORDS POETRY SLAM

Don't miss this live event where poets and musicians muse on Christ's last words. Unique, poignant, and compelling, the 7 Last Words Poetry Slam offers insights into Christ's humanity and divinity in his final moments.

Sunday, April 17, 9:00AM and 11:00AM -- IN PERSON & ONLINE
EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Sunday is finally here! Celebrate the resurrection of Christ with us. This is the day where we say, "God's not dead!" We remember that the movement of peace, justice, kindness, and inclusion is alive and well.

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Dr. John Dorsey • Nancy Lorenz • Joyce Negrich • Lisa Rye • Bob Foote •
Tom Soboleski • Bruce Conrad • Audrey Leenhouts • Carol Lewis •
Mike Long • Charlene Faunt • Marilyn Hocking • Betty Latimer •
Craig Sleeman • Grace Perkins • John Wagster • Yvonne Bashur •
Carl Sweet • Marian Kremer • Diane Shornak •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Joe Dorsey • Marjorie Showers • Scott House • Linda Baker •
Joan Firestone • Grandma Johnson • Harold Baker • Pam Payne •
Margaret O'Donnell • Frank Cataldo • Tom Dunstan • Beth Roselle • T.B. •
Chrystl Roman • Jethro Horton • Deni Bartley • Evert & Kay Burchell •
Effie Lambros • The Pushman Family • Marc Reddekopp • Darryl Warren •
Sue Sugden • Teresa Baker •

Sympathies to:

Julia and Elianna Westenberg on the death of their grandma, Catherine
Guirey on March 6, 2022

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

For the complete Prayer List,
please contact Danielle Moody at prayers@rofum.org.

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Protocol Changes

This past Wednesday, Pastor Bridget sent out an email detailing our shifts in COVID policies. Beginning this week, masks will no longer be required. We will be removing the roping in the sanctuary so that every pew is available. And we are all especially grateful to once again encourage you to stay after worship for coffee, refreshments and conversations. Certainly, you are welcome to wear a mask and gauge your own comfort level with coffee hour and other activities. As Pastor Bridget said so nicely in her email, "Understanding that every person and family is making choices based on their own experiences and risk assessment, we will be inviting you to make those decisions for yourself here at church as well."

Relaunching the Choirs

Like Jake and Elwood from Blues Brothers fame once said, "We are getting the band back together!" It is time to reconvene our choirs. Our Music Director Tim Schoenherr will be working to bring our choir back to make music together. It will be so good to hear, and be led in worship, by your voices.

Come Home for Holy Week

It is our hope that you will find a way to connect with us during Holy Week. Whether in person or online, it will be a week of meaningful worship and connection for our community.

One of the special offerings will start off with a Palm Sunday Brunch and Bake Sale on April 10. Now that sounds pretty Methodist, doesn't it? The Abide Men's Fellowship will host a brunch after both services. This is a welcome home gift from the men of church. The money we don't spend on brunch can be spent on baked goods from our Confirmation Class. Members of the class are selling baked goods to support local nonprofits as a part of their Kingdom Projects.

Lots of good stuff is happening here at the church. We look forward to seeing you in person and "seeing" you online.

Easter is coming!

Grace and Peace,

