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Sunday, May 8, 2022 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	“Prelude in Classic Style” Gordon Young	Kyle Webber
Opening Hymn #159 (*UMH)	“Lift High the Cross”	Congregational Singing
Call to Worship		Amanda Fitch
Response #177 (*UMH)	“He Is Lord”	Congregational Singing
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Kyle Webber & Jeff Nelson
Song	“Thank You Jesus/Go Now in Peace”	Holy Cow Choir
Time of Prayer		Amanda Fitch & Jeff Nelson
Mission Moment		Coleman Yoakum, Micah 6
Offering Our Tithes and Gifts		Amanda Fitch
Musical Offering	“Blessed Assurance” arr. Joel Raney	Sanctus Choir
Doxology #95 (*UMH)	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	Congregational Singing
Prayer of Dedication		Jeff Nelson
Scripture (**NIV)	Luke 24:13-35	Amanda Fitch
Message	Faith and Experience	Erica Plesco
Closing Hymn #156 (*UMH)	“I Love to Tell the Story”	Congregational Singing
Benediction		Erica Plesco
Postlude	“Trumpet Tune” Jason D. Payne	Kyle Webber

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PRIDE & ALLY-PLANNING MEETING

Join us right after the **11:00 a.m. service concludes on Sunday, May 15** in the Parlor to discuss the two upcoming Pride events that Royal Oak First will be participating in and to gauge interest in forming a group that would get together for social gatherings, such as: dining out, bowling, and movies. A light lunch will be served. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Mike Monte, Lee Trumbull or Danielle Moody at 248.541.4100 or email office@rofum.org. Please plan to join us on the 15th!



DETROIT HANDBELL ENSEMBLE CONCERT

Please join us for a **FREE concert "The Road Less Taken" on Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. Under the Artistic Direction of Brenda E. Austin and Associate Conductor, Kyle Webber, the concert will feature many original compositions composed for handbells including some written by our very own Kyle Webber! There will be some familiar tunes including Louis Armstrong's "What a Wonderful World" and "I've Got Peace Like a River."



CAMP FUNDRAISING CONCERT

On **Saturday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m.**, we have an opportunity to hear some great music and support our kids going to Choir Camp! Our concert will feature our Youth Band and the Joel Palmer Band. Admission is free and an offering will be taken to help kids go to Choir Camp in July. All are welcome!

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The logo for Micah 6 Community features the word "MICAH" in a bold, green, sans-serif font. To the right of "MICAH" is a stylized house icon with a white outline and a green roof, containing the number "6" in white. Below "MICAH" and the house icon, the word "COMMUNITY" is written in a smaller, green, sans-serif font.

MICAH 6 BLOCK BLITZ- CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

On Friday, May 20 and Saturday, May 21, Royal Oak First will be sending teams of volunteers to be hands-on support to our neighbors in Pontiac. We will give a quick burst of light to this community during the Micah 6 Block Blitz neighborhood cleanup event. Many hands make light work, and that's what we are hoping to contribute. To double your impact, we will also be matching all volunteer shifts with a financial donation to Micah 6. Please scan this QR code or visit www.rofum.org for more information and to sign up!

The text "May Baby Shower & Diaper Drive" is written in a black, cursive-style font. It is positioned in the upper left corner of a photograph showing a baby lying on its back, smiling and holding its feet.

MAY BABY SHOWER & DIAPER DRIVE

In honor of Mother's Day, Royal Oak First is hosting a "Baby Shower" collection to benefit the many, many single mothers and families supported through Redford Brightmoor Initiative (RBI) and the Methodist Children's Home & Society (MCHS). **We are collecting diapers, wipes, and gently used infant and older youth clothing and gear.** We've set a goal of collecting 2022 diapers in May. Please bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings or during regular office hours.

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“PERSON TO PERSON CONNECTING MINISTRY”

The idea behind our “Person to Person Connecting Ministry” is to **connect the skills, talents, and interests of our members with the needs of others throughout our church and community.**

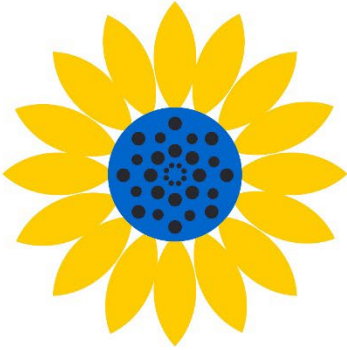
We hope you will take a few minutes to fill out our survey so we can help build stronger connections together. Visit www.rofum.org or use this QR code:



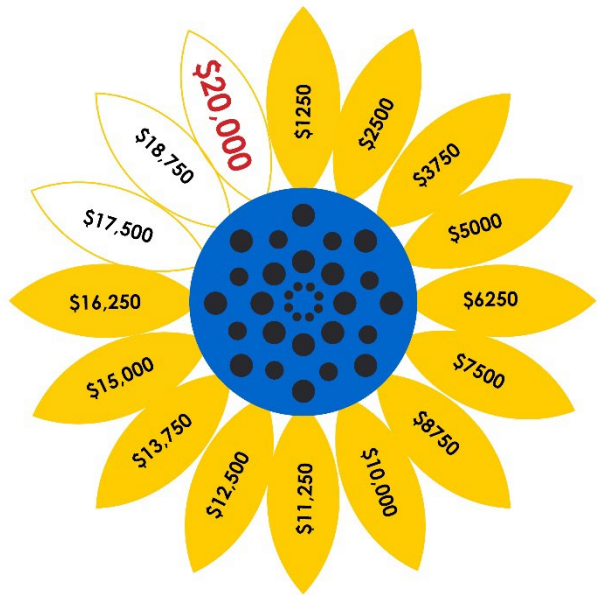
CHOIR CAMP STAFF APPLICATIONS

After two years of not having an overnight camp experience for our kids, I am happy to say we are going back to Camp Ohiyesa in Holly...WooHoo! It is time to start thinking about campfires, Olympics, swimming, and all the fun we have! **Camp will be the week of July 17-23 and we need volunteers! Camp staff applications will be available in the church office and on the Information Table in the Narthex.** The deadline for submission is Sunday, May 22. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at 248.703.8805 or email her at jtripoli@rofum.org.

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On Easter Sunday, we launched our Plant Hope Initiative aimed at raising \$20,000 of support for the over 5 million displaced Ukrainian refugees.

Since then, we have raised over \$16,250!

Donations of \$25 dollars or more come with two packets of sunflower seeds (one for you and one to share with a neighbor) and a Plant Hope yard sign. This is one way we can shed light and love into the lives of those touched by this terrible war.

If you haven't already donated to the cause, please consider doing so by scanning the QR code below or go to:



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PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Dona Wells • Karen Porter • Art Miller • Barb Nicholas • Adrienne Loftin •
Martha Pascoe • Jamie Luczak • Joyce Negrich • Lisa Rye • Bob Foote •
Tom Soboleski • Bruce Conrad • Audrey Leenhouts • Mike Long •
Charlene Faunt • Marilyn Hocking • Betty Latimer • John Wagster •
Marian Kremer • Diana Shornak •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Joanne Monte • Tim Christopher • Hannah Williams • Dan Inch •
Steve Wurdock • Dorothy Follette • Mike Murray • 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 • Darryl Warren •
Sue Sugden • Teresa Baker •

Congratulations to:

Ben and Julie Main on their wedding, April 29, 2022

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List,
please contact Danielle Moody at prayers@rofum.org.

LETTER FROM OUR PREACHER

Dear Church Family,

This weekend as we celebrate Mother's Day, it's easy to find our thoughts drifting to our salad days. Reflections on where and who we come from...and how that has shaped our development.

In many ways, these foundational imprints of who we are as people help to foster our personal journeys toward faith. Good or bad, our experiences throughout our lives shape our perspective, perspective that often includes how we approach our relationship with God.

This Sunday, I look forward to sharing some of my personal story with you!

Peace,
Erica Plesco

