

SHAPED



TO SERVE

Sunday, August 14, 2022 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	“Christians, We Have Met to Worship” arr. Mark Hayes	Kyle Webber
Opening Hymn #344*	“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”	
Call to Worship		Andrew Moro
Response #393*	“Spirit of the Living God”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Erica Plesco
Children’s Moment		Michelle Haight
Mission Moment		
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Tithes and Gifts		
Musical Offering	“Peace” Ed Cash	Susanna Webber & Jaclyn Doerr
Doxology #95*	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture**	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	
Message	“Gifted”	Tim Ryckman
Closing Hymn #581*	“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”	
Benediction		
Postlude	“All You Works of God, Bless the Lord” arr. J. Wayne Kerr	

**United Methodist Hymnal*

***Common English Bible*

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HANDBELL POLISHING PARTY!

Volunteers are needed to help clean and polish our five octaves of handbells to get them ready for this season. This is a sit down job and you do not need any experience with handbells or music to accomplish this task! There are two dates: Thursday, August 18 from 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 23 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Please email Kyle Webber, Worship and Arts Director if you are able to help (kwebber@rofum.org). Many hands make light work!



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

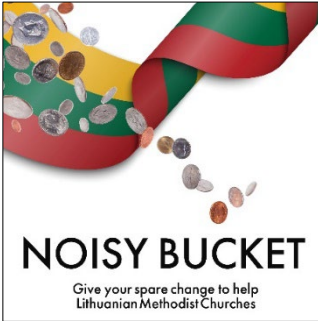
Your children are invited to bring their backpacks to church on Sunday, August 21 to receive a special blessing as we head into the new school year. Blessing of the Backpacks will take place during both 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.



OUR NEXT PASTOR CHAT IS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

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. Questions such as: "How can I help serve the community?"; "I have questions about the beliefs of the United Methodist Church"; or "How can my kids be involved in the church?" will be covered. The next Pastor Chat will be on Sunday, August 28 at 10:15 a.m. in the Parlor and last no more than 30 minutes. We look forward to seeing you!

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SAVE YOUR CHANGE FOR NOISY BUCKET

Bring in your spare change in on Sunday, August 28 at either the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service and we will collect it for our efforts to support the United Methodist churches in Lithuania.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DURING ARTS, BEATS & EATS

From September 2-5, more than 400,000 people will visit our community during Arts, Beats & Eats. Service opportunities include being a greeter at the church, being a host on the front lawn, attending to the baby-changing tent, and keeping the church tidy and hospitable. Each person that volunteers for a shift will receive free admission to the festival. Sign-up sheets are available at the Welcome Desk or visit www.rofum.org or scan the QR code in the image to the left.



ARTS, BEATS & EATS SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

We will have only one worship service Labor Day weekend during Arts, Beats & Eats on Sunday, September 4 at 9:30 a.m. located at 6th and Lafayette Streets. If you don't plan on staying for the festival, you can park in the parking structure across and down the street from the church until 11:00 am. If you are planning to attend the festival after worship, all worshippers that day get a ticket for free admission to the festival, free parking at Royal Oak High School at 1500 Lexington Blvd., along with a free shuttle from the High School to drop you off and pick you up right next to the stage (since your car must be out of the parking structure by 11:00 a.m.). If you have any questions, contact the church office at 248.541.4100 or office@rofum.org.

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SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

Late summer brings the return of the Royal Oak First School Supply Collection! We are continuing our partnership with Ferndale Lower Elementary and will be collecting the following requested items: Clorox wipes, Expo markers, wide-ruled notebooks, Crayola 24ct crayons, Ticonderoga pencils, and glue sticks. We ask that you also keep the educators from our own church in your prayers. Many of those teachers have also shared their classroom wish lists for those who would like to shop by Amazon to support them. You can find that list by scanning the QR code in the image to the left.



PART-TIME COORDINATOR OF CHILDREN'S MUSIC NEEDED!

The Coordinator of Children's Music creates opportunities for our youngest disciples to learn the joy of music and community. From infants to 5th grade, our children will be nurtured in their faith and relationship development through participation in music with their friends and family. For a full job description, contact Pastor Bridget Nelson at bnelson@rofum.org or 248.541.4100.

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WE ARE SHAPED TO SERVE; TO SERVE GOD AND ONE ANOTHER!

As people of faith, we are created in the image of God. We are built for community and relationship, and we are shaped to serve.

This month, we will be encouraging everyone to discern where they might be called to serve here at church on Sunday mornings.

Sunday morning worship is not just something we do together, it's also something we do for each other. We greet at the door, or put out the cookies or play with little kids while their parents attend service.

There are many ways to be part of creating meaningful Sunday morning experiences, and we invite you to consider what part you can play in this new program year.

Pick up a "Shaped to Serve" brochure after service, where you will find many ideas for how you can serve on a Sunday morning. We hope you will read it over, listen to the sermons and special video interviews at the next few Sunday services, and then sign up to serve.

HERE IS HOW TO SIGN UP! Scan the QR code in the above image, or visit www.rofum.org or stop by the Connections Table in the Narthex after Sunday services and we will sign you up!

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Donna Allen • The Fall Family • Ann Anderson • Shirley Gnegy •
Liesl Ramseyer • Janet Ramseyer • Virginia Sleeman • Barb Nicholas •
Al Simmons • Charles Courtney • Joyce Negrich • Judy Chambers •
Mary Lou Graeber • Art Miller • Lisa Rye • Bob Foote • Tom Soboleski •
Audrey Leenhouts • Mike Long • Charlene Faunt • Marian Kremer •
Diana Shornak •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Carl Jones • Dorothy Follette • Deana Sawicki • Atlas • Wally Bojan •
Shelley • Cyndi Luczak • Lisa Green • James Koon • Kelly •
Steve Wurdock • Grandma Johnson • Harold Baker • Jethro Horton •
Darryl Warren • Sue Sugden •

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

Congratulations to:

Rita Nicholas on the birth of her grandson, Harrison Cole Nicholas, born to
Kurt and Jessica Nicholas on July 29, 2022

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

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

This Sunday, Bridget and I will be over in Muskegon to pick up our youngest son from Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp. He has been gone for the last ten days immersing himself in a community of music and the arts. One of the highlights of the week is the closing concert on Sunday morning where they get to share the music they have been working on all week. It is a true joy.

I am thankful to my friend Tim Ryckman for agreeing to bring the message this Sunday morning. Tim is a lifelong United Methodist having grown up at Metropolitan Church in Detroit. Tim's wife Christine grew up here at Royal Oak First and is currently a part of our staff team as our Sunday School Coordinator and their four children are active participants in our youth program. Tim has been active in the leadership of "Summer Games", a summer camp for young people to grow in their faith and he serves on our church's Compass Team.

Tim will be helping us take our next steps in our "Shaped to Serve" campaign. We are asking all of us to find a place to serve our community in supporting our weekly worship experiences.

As I said last week, you are needed!

Needed by your church.

Needed by your pastors.

And needed by God.

Thank you Tim, for helping us take the next steps on this journey.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Ed". Below the signature is a simple line drawing of a smiley face with two dots for eyes and a curved line for a mouth.