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TO SERVE

Sunday, August 21, 2022 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF WORSHIP

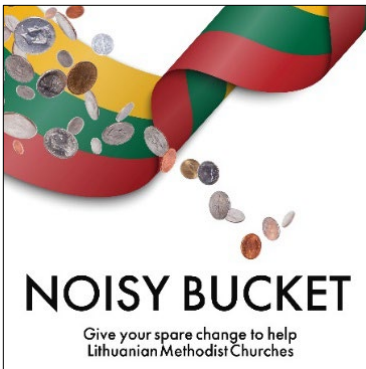
Prelude	“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” arr. Charles Ore	Kyle Webber
Opening Hymn #68*	“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”	
Call to Worship		Joan Johnson
Response #393*	“Spirit of the Living God”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Jeff Nelson
Children’s Moment		Susanna Webber
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Tithes and Gifts		
Musical Offering	“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” arr. Richard Walters	Liz Wright
Doxology #95*	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Prayer of Dedication		
Scripture**	Proverbs 27:19	
Message	“Where Your Heart Is...”	
Closing Hymn #581*	“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”	
Benediction		
Postlude	“When in Our Music God Is Glorified” arr. Charles Ore	

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PASTOR CHAT-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!



SAVE YOUR SPARE 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.

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ARTS, BEATS & EATS 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 until 11:00 a.m. 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 the festival. If you have any questions, contact the church office at 248.541.4100.



YOGA CLASSES RETURN IN SEPTEMBER

Chair Yoga classes, presented by our own Kimberlyn Palchak's "in.balance" return in September. The classes will include: Mindful Meditation, Seated Yoga, and Focused Breathing. Classes are on Tuesdays from 12:15-12:45 p.m. and Thursdays from 12:15-12:45 p.m. in the 2nd floor Chapel starting on September 6 and September 8 respectively. To sign up, scan the QR code in the image to the left or visit www.rofum.org. **Join us for a "Try it Out First" FREE CLASS on Tuesday, August 30 at 12:15 p.m.**



FALL KICKOFF-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Please mark Sunday, September 11 on your calendar and plan to join us for the kickoff of the 2022-23 worship year. We will have one outdoor service (under the tent) at 10 a.m. that morning followed by a block party on 7th street. There will be food trucks, music, a bounce house and games for the kids! We ask you to bring a pair of socks for our traditional "Sock it to Me September" sock drive. Look for your postcard (with a \$10 off coupon for the food trucks) in the mail soon! Nursery care and supervised play space for kids available. We hope you can join us in person for service and/or the block party so we can say WELCOME HOME!

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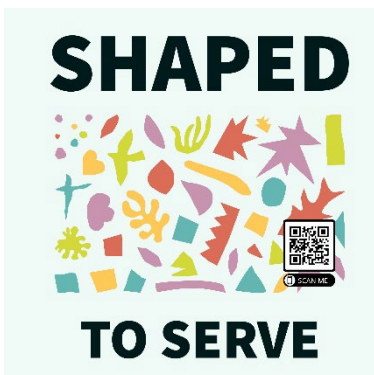
SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

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.



BIRTHDAY PARTIES CO-LEADER NEEDED

Thank you to our members, Gigi Harris and Liz Sheridan who have done an amazing job leading the Methodist Children's Home & Society Birthday Party events for the past six years! They are ready to take on new projects, so we are looking for new co-leaders to oversee this outreach opportunity. Janice Marsh has already volunteered to help, but she is hoping for a partner to join her. Reach out to missions@rofum.org for more information.



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

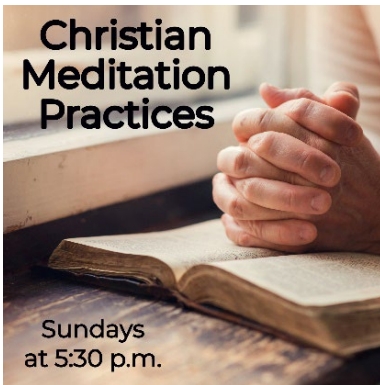
Pick up a "Shaped to Serve" brochure after service, where you will find many ideas for how you can serve on a Sunday morning. We hope you will read it over, listen to the sermons and special video interviews at the next few Sunday services, and then sign up to serve. **HERE IS HOW TO SIGN UP!** Scan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

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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.



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION PRACTICES

As our lives become more and more filled with distractions, activities, and responsibilities it is more important than ever that we make the time to defragment our minds and allow God space to work within and through us. Christian Centering Meditation can help to give us the opportunities that we need to discover, or re-discover, our center in Christ. This is a simple time-tested technique that has proven valuable to untold numbers of modern day saints. No need to sign up. Join us on Sundays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the purple conference room on the 1st floor.



RBI FREE STORE MEALS

Throughout last winter and spring, Royal Oak First volunteers worked with Shirley Harris to organize meals some Fridays for those who visit the Redford Brightmoor Initiative (RBI) Free Store. We would assemble 65 meals, then deliver them to RBI mid-day Friday. It took 2-3 hours of time and was very appreciated by the RBI team. We have signed up to send meals again on 9/23, 10/28, and 12/9. Please reach out to Karla at missions@rofum.org if you can help any of those Fridays.

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Ian Kobb • Karen Porter • 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 • Kelly • Steve Wurdock • Grandma Johnson • Harold Baker • Jethro Horton • Darryl Warren • Sue Sugden •

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

Sympathies to:

Jason Sherman and Erica Plesco on the death of Jason's mother, Jan Sherman on August 16, 2022

Noel and Patti Peterson on the death of Noel's sister, Lenore Westrate on August 14, 2022

Mike Long on the death of his cousin, Stanton Williamson on July 28, 2022

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

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

"We have all known the long loneliness and we have learned that the only solution is love and that love comes with community."
—Dorothy Day

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." —Matthew 18:20

"One love! One heart! Let's get together and feel alright." —Bob Marley

Dear Friends,

It is good for the soul when we can all be together!

I sure felt that way this past Wednesday at our church picnic. I'll be honest. After all of the disruptions of the past two and half years, I wasn't sure anybody would show. And there is nothing worse than throwing a party and having nobody show, right? But people came and they just kept coming. And the joy that filled that little pavilion left me, smiling ever since. It was so good to see so many of you!

So good, in fact, that we are going to try and do it again. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, September 11. This will be our Homecoming Sunday and we are going to have one service at 10:00 a.m. outside under a big tent on the front lawn (starting now, please be praying for good weather.) You can bring a lawn chair if you'd like and some socks to share with both the NOAH Project and our Outreach on 7th program.

After worship, there will be food trucks for you to purchase lunch and enjoy the friendship and fellowship of each other. You will receive a postcard in the mail shortly that will serve as a \$10 off coupon for the food trucks. We will have extra coupons available the day of. In addition, there will be music, games and an inflatable for our families to enjoy.

But most importantly we will be together again!

Let us know if there is anything you need in order to attend this special Sunday.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Jeff
