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TO SERVE

**Sunday, August 7, 2022 9:00AM & 11:00AM
ROYAL OAK FIRST: A UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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| Prelude | “Morning Has Broken” Cat Stevens | Youth Band |
| Song | “My Lighthouse” | |
| Call to Worship | | Kathi Burger (9AM) Lisa Combs (11AM) |
| Response #393* | “Spirit of the Living God” | |
| Welcome & Invitation to Mission | | Bridget Nelson & Jeff Nelson |
| Children’s Moment | | |
| Time of Prayer | | |
| Offering Our Tithes and Gifts | | |
| Musical Offering | “Part the Waters” Charles F. Brown | Kaylee Derkowski & Youth Band |
| Doxology #95* | “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” | |
| Prayer of Dedication | | |
| Scripture** | Luke 9:46-48 | |
| Message | “The Purpose” | Jeff Nelson |
| Sacrament of Holy Communion | | |
| Closing Hymn #261* | “Lord of the Dance” | |
| Benediction | | |
| Postlude | “Good God Almighty” | |

**United Methodist Hymnal
**New International Version*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MISSIONS MEETING - THIS TUESDAY!

Do you have ideas for our Missions programming? Please come join our Royal Oak First Missions Team Meeting on Tuesday, August 9 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 305. All are welcome! If you have ideas but cannot attend, please send an email to Karla Goetz, our Missions Coordinator, at missions@rofum.org.



OUR CHURCH PICNIC IS AUGUST 10

Our Church Picnic is back! On Wednesday, August 10 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Normandy Oaks, 4234 Delemere Blvd., Royal Oak. Bring a side dish to pass, a chair, and your beverage of choice. There is a kids' splash pad, so bring a swimsuit and a towel. We will provide the hot dogs, the fellowship, and the fun. If you have any questions, contact the church office at 248.541.4100 or office@rofum.org.



JOIN US AT ROYAL OAK PRIDE EVENT

We will have a booth at the Royal Oak Pride Event on Friday, August 12 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Saturday, August 13 from 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Royal Oak PRIDE is a street festival that will be hosted on Washington Street that includes live music, artists, PRIDE partners, and vendors. Come and say hi and check out this fun event. More information can be found at www.royaloakpride.com.

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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!



**Yoga Classes
are Back!**

SIGN UP FOR CHAIR YOGA TODAY!

Yoga classes began in August and are taught by Kimberlyn Palchak. Classes are for teens and above and all fitness levels. Group sessions are available on Mondays at 5:15 p.m. and Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. in the 2nd floor Chapel. Each group session will be 30 minutes and will be priced as follows: \$30 for one class and \$100 for 4 classes. To sign up, please visit www.rofum.org or scan the QR code in the image to the left or visit the Information Table in the Narthex for the sign-up sheet.



**School Supply
Collection**

SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

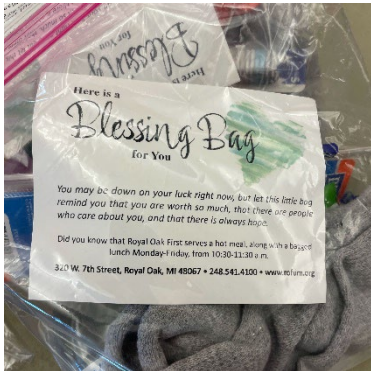
Late summer brings the return of the Royal Oak First School Supply Collection! We are continuing our partnership with Ferndale Lower Elementary and will be collecting the following requested items: Clorox wipes, Expo markers, wide-ruled notebooks, Crayola 24ct crayons, Ticonderoga pencils, and glue sticks. 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.

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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.



BLESSING BAGS

Stop by our Welcome Desk to pick up a Blessing Bag, (which is full of everyday basics; like socks, hygiene products, water and a snack) to give out to those in need or less fortunate as you travel throughout your day.



SHOEBOXES NEEDED!

The Music Ministry could use any empty shoeboxes you might have lying around the house! The shoeboxes are used for the purpose of handbell cleaning/polishing and help keep the parts of the handbell together while they are disassembled for polishing. Shoeboxes can be dropped off at the church office (M-Th, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) or bring them with you on Sunday morning.



ROYAL OAK FIRST

A United Methodist Church

Royal Oak First is always grateful when people give of their time, talent or treasure.

Did you know that there are several different ways to give financially?

In Person: You can place a check or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate when it goes by or in one of the offering collection boxes just outside the Sanctuary.

Text: Set up one-time or recurring donations by texting the amount you wish to give to 855.566.0093.

Giving App: Download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app to set up one-time or recurring donations.

Online: Visit rofum.org/giving to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts.

You can always check out our website, www.rofum.org for **Volunteer Opportunities** or subscribe to our weekly email, by going to this link: <http://eepurl.com/c9m7L9>.

For more information, contact Jennifer Tripoli at 248.541.4100 ext. 1225 or email jtripoli@rofum.org.

Thank you!

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

The Fall Family • Shirley Gnegy • Ann Anderson • 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:

Teresa Inch • Jan Sherman • Rick Brodoski • Dorothy Follette • Deana Sawicki • Atlas • Wally Bojan • Shelley • Cyndi Luczak • Lisa Green • James Koon • Kelly • Steve Wurdock • Grandma Johnson • Harold Baker • Jethro Horton • Evert & Kay Burchell • Darryl Warren • Sue Sugden •

Prayers for All That Have Been Impacted by COVID-19

Sympathies to:

Family and friends of Marilyn McCreedy on her death on July 31, 2022

Congratulations to:

Chris and Savannah Banas on the birth of their daughter, Amalia Caroline Banas on July 22, 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,

If there is one message I want to get across to all of you right now it is this:

You are needed! The church needs you. Your pastor needs you. And most importantly, God needs you.

One of the unintended consequences of the past two years of social distancing and online worship has been we, the church staff, have had to figure out how to do church - especially worship - without you.

We had to figure out how to make music, do Sunday School, collect offerings, greet people, serve coffee, read the scriptures and all the other things that make church happen with fewer people. And frankly - it stunk!

It is better - in every single way - when you are involved. Not just in the "more hands make for light work" sort of way, but it is better when you are involved because of what you bring to the experience. You bring you! You bring your joy, your experience, your ideas, your outlook to the community. And we are missing you!

And the truth is, God created us to serve and therefore God's church is a place where everybody gets a chance to serve.

So starting this month, myself and our team will be dedicated to helping each of you get a place to serve, and we are starting with the Sunday worship and fellowship experience.

So beginning this week I am asking each of you to do one of the following:

1. If you are attending in-person worship regularly right now, please find a regular place to serve on at least a monthly basis. After service each week, there will be someone there to help you find and get scheduled for a place to serve.
2. If you are primarily worshiping online (I know. Church in your pajamas with your coffee is hard to beat!) I am asking you to consider coming to in-person worship at least once a month to serve. You can contact Bridget Nelson (248.541.4100 or bnelson@rofum.org) and she will help get you scheduled for a regular service opportunity.
3. If you are not ready or not able to return to in-person worship, that is ok! We still need you and you can serve God and our church from home. Please contact Bridget Nelson (248.541.4100 or bnelson@rofum.org) and she will help you find a way to serve.

I can't say it more plainly. You are needed! The church needs you. I need you. God needs you.

It's time to make the church a place where everybody can serve.

Grace and Peace,

