



Sunday, May 21, 2023
11:00 AM Worship

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music	“Could Have Been Me” from “Sing 2”	Kaylee Derkowski, Ben Crowe & Friends
Opening Song	“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Kyle Webber & Jeff Nelson
Receiving New Members		
Song	“For Forever” Pasek/Paul	Nolan Irish-Mineweiser
Recognition of Graduates		Bridget Nelson
Song	“Ave Maria” Franz Schubert	Elliot and Amy Nielander
Time of Prayer		Erica Plesco
Offering Our Tithes and Gifts		
Musical Offering	“Love Breaks Through” by Caleb Williams	Youth Choir
Doxology #95*	“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Scripture**	Luke 24:36-39	
Message	“I Saw the Sign”	Jeff Nelson
Closing Song	“Shine”	
Benediction		
Departing Music	“Shine (Reprise)”	Youth Band

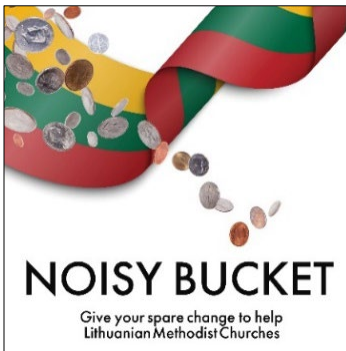
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GRADUATION SUNDAY IS HERE!

Today, we celebrate our High School graduates at the 11:00 a.m. service! We wish these amazing young people success, happiness and love. Congratulations to:

Paige Clark • Ben Crowe • Kaylee Derkowski •
Olivia Harrod • Nolan Irish-Minewiser • Jude Lespinasse •
Abbi McKarge • Ryan Michalak • Elliot Nielander •
Ava Richards



SAVE YOUR LOOSE/SPARE CHANGE FOR NOISY BUCKET

Bring in your spare change in on **Sunday, May 28 at the 10:00 a.m. service** and we will collect it for our efforts to support the United Methodist churches in Lithuania. Don't miss out on making the bucket noisy!



PENTECOST WEEKEND

Please plan to join us for a fun Pentecost weekend! There will be Big Tent "Revival", Ice Cream Social and 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament under the big tent on **Saturday, June 10 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** Please bring dish soap or laundry detergent for our Essentials Pantry. On **Sunday, June 11, we will have our one service at 10:00 a.m.** under the tent where everyone should wear RED! There will be gourmet hot dogs with a bunch of toppings to choose from along with Bingo. We also ask that everyone bring a dozen cookies to share for dessert.

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MAY IS FOR MOMS COLLECTION

Our goal for the May Missions Collection is to support moms/women in need. **We will be collecting feminine hygiene products (pads and tampons) and crafting kits.** The feminine hygiene products will be used to create UMCOR period kits and also to supply the Outreach on 7th Essentials Pantry with these highly requested items. The crafting kits will be shared with MCHS Family of Services at the Heartline Residential Treatment Center for Women. Wish list items include crafting kits (with instructions), other commonly used craft/hobby items for adult women, and old magazines for creating collages. These gifts will be used to help the women learn new healthy hobbies.



SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Please join us for our next Social Action Committee meeting on **Thursday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m. at Erica Plesco's home** (116 Helene Ave, Royal Oak). We will be discussing our partnership with the Pride & Ally Group for Pride Month. Please reach out to Christie Mikell at 734.347.4006 or christie.mikell@gmail.com with any questions.



ONE SERVICE BEGINS NEXT WEEK!

Beginning on Sunday, May 28, we will have only one service at 10:00 a.m. This will run through our Fall Kickoff on Sunday, September 10. We will return to our 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services on Sunday, September 17.

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PRIDE & ALLY GROUP

Our Pride & Ally Group will be looking for volunteers for our booth at some June and August Pride events. We will be at Ferndale Pride on Saturday, June 3, Family Pride Night at the Royal Oak Farmers Market on Wednesday, June 14, Berkley Pride on Sunday, June 25 and Royal Oak Pride on Friday, August 4 and Saturday, August 5. Please scan the QR code to sign up! Any questions, please email prideandally@rofum.org.



ESSENTIALS PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

The first Saturday of the month, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. the Essentials Pantry is open. **We need volunteers to gather from our supply inventory and hand out these supplies to those in need.** If you are able to volunteer, please reach out to Mike Monte at 248.541.4100 or mmonte@rofum.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 19-22, 2023, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School “Food Truck Party” is a fun week-long program where children (for kids finishing 2nd grade and younger) will learn important lessons through hands-on activities about God’s ability to provide, and because God loves and cares for us, we, in turn, can love and care for the rest of the world. Scan the QR code to register your child today!

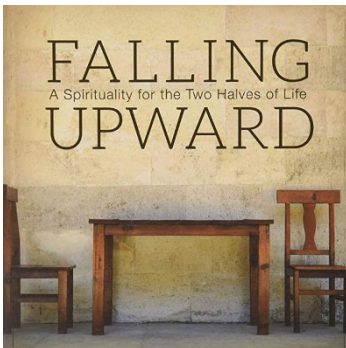


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MOMS AT PUBS (MAP)

MAP is a group that meets for fun and fellowship at a local pub, giving moms a chance to relax, laugh, and enjoy the fellowship of other moms. We meet monthly on the 4th Thursday of each month. **This month we will meet on Thursday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Royal Oak Taphouse.** Each month we will pick a different location. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at jtripoli@rofum.org or phone/text 248.703.8805.



SUNDAY LUNCH BOOK DISCUSSION

Come join us after church for **five Sundays (May 28-June 25) at the Royal Oak Taphouse from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for lunch discussions**, led by Joyce Hollingsworth, using Richard Rohr's critically acclaimed book "Falling Upward—A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life". We will learn about the essential tasks Rohr outlines for the two different halves of life and explore how all of us who've fallen, failed, or "gone down" in some aspect of our life are the only ones who truly understand "up". We will discuss how our mistakes can be the foundation for our ongoing spiritual growth and how our losses can, from a spiritual perspective, be experienced as a gain. Join us for a shared meal, engaging fellowship and thoughtful discussion. Scan the QR code to sign up and get further details.



PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Lee Hoffmann • Bill Young • Jim Shumaker • Tom Roth • Neil Franks •
Dave Minch • Lee Ross • Kathy Siedler • Sue Genschoreck •
Bill and Faye Bond • Kathi Burger • Jordan Altman • Kathy Sestok •
Michelle Prud'homme • Mike Long • Marian Kremer • Sheryl Hunter •
Tom Soboleski • Art Miller • Betty Goodrich • Karen Porter • Mary Nahhat •
Diane Sexton • Donna Allen • Ann Anderson • Audrey Leenhouts •
Charlene Faunt •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Liz Fitch • Mary McKinnon • Penny Wilkie • Jim Slimek • Susan Inch •
Jim Castellani • Diana Laginess • Nancy Graves • Desire Anne •
Penny Showers • Connie and Ken Warner • Jonthan Larson •
Mary Lou Howard • Tom Thatcher • Allison and Bill Hempstead • Tom Hill •
Judy Gorney • Bob Blonde • Patty Glass • Margaret O'Donnell • Rick Hocking •
Sharon Pillow • Rachel Timm • Linda Swanson • Harold Baker •
Scott Peacor and Kyla Boyse • Mike Pilon • Larry Campbell • Phillip Makinen •
Joan Firestone • Jeff and Marcy Carmichael • Dan Hicks • Brent Miller • James •
Carl Jones • Dorothy Follette • Deana Sawicki • Atlas • Kelly • Steve Wurdock •

*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,

Community festivals matter. When I was in college I worked one summer on the campaign of someone running for Congress. What that meant was that every weekend I was in another small town for their annual festival, passing out literature and walking in parades.

I went to Minocqua's Beef-a-Rama, Thorp's Dairy Days, Rice Lake's Aquafest, Osceola's Rhubarb Fest, New Glarus' Beer, Bacon and Cheese Days (the holy trinity of Wisconsin cuisine) and Cedar's Grove Holland Days (and yes, the whole town was wearing wooden shoes!)

One thing I experienced that summer was the power these festivals and gatherings had on a community. They gave people a chance to come together, have fun, make memories and most importantly remember that they belong to one another.

Well, it is time for us to host our next community festival. I sure hope you will plan to come. We need to see each other and be reminded that we belong and are part of this place called Royal Oak First!

On Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11 we will be celebrating Pentecost. We will be putting a big tent on the front lawn (and due to it being graduation season, I think we may have procured the last tent in the tri county area!) and holding festivities both Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

Saturday, June 10--Big Tent "Revival," Ice Cream Social and 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament: Join us at 4:00 p.m. under the tent for inspirational music and message, and after we will enjoy ice cream as we prepare to crown our 2023 Royal Oak First Cornhole Champion (complete with championship belts). We are asking everyone to bring either dish soap or mai dry detergent for our Essentials Pantry.

Sunday, June 11--Pentecost Wear Red Worship: We will gather for worship on Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. under the big tent. That morning we will introduce our summer theme, welcome little Zelda Diamond into the community through baptism and be joined together in song and prayer. After worship we will have a "gourmet" hot dog bar (thank you Larry Brown) and Bingo with fabulous prizes from Pastor Jeff's Prize Table! We are asking everyone in attendance that day to wear red and bring a dozen cookies to share for dessert and treats!

This will be a great way to kick off our summer together, have some fun and most importantly be reminded that we belong to one another.

Can't wait to see you "under the tent!"

Grace and Peace,



Pastor Jeff Nelson