



Sunday, May 28, 2023
10:00 AM Worship

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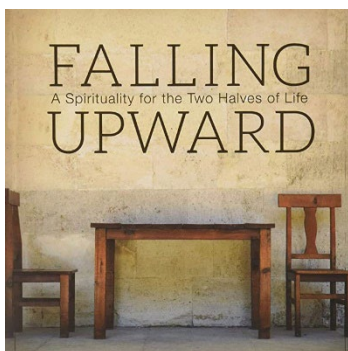
Gathering Music	“Praise Him! Praise Him!” arr. Mark Hayes	Kyle Webber
Call to Worship		Jeff Jones
Song	“How Great Thou Art”	
Song	“Praise to the Lord (Joyful, Joyful)”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Kyle Webber & Jeff Nelson
Mission Moment	Noisy Bucket	Leonard Benyas, Piano
Time of Prayer		
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	“Italian Concerto (Mvt. 1)” J.S. Bach	Rachel Morin
Doxology #95*	“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Scripture*	Luke 4:14-19	
Message	“Coming Home”	Bob Demyanovich
Song	“Send Me Out”	
Benediction		
Sending Music	“Send Me Out”	House Band

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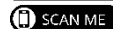
HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!

The office will be closed on Monday, May 29. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30 at 10:00 a.m.



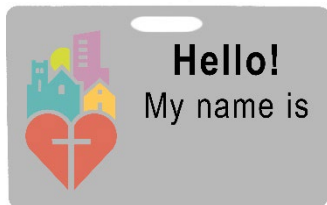
SUNDAY LUNCH BOOK DISCUSSION

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 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. Scan the QR code to sign up and get further details.



NAMETAGS PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP

Since we are going to only one service for the summer starting this Sunday, we invariably will meet new people and **it is good to wear your nametag to facilitate introductions and conversations**. All staff will be wearing their nametags as well. **If you don't have a nametag, stop by the Connections Table or the table outside the Sanctuary to write your name down for a nametag**. The Connections Table will also have blank nametags and some lanyards for your nametag if you wish.



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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.



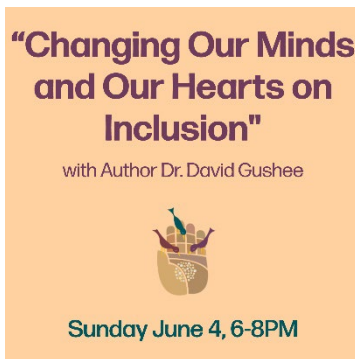
PRIDE & ALLY GROUP VOLUNTEERS

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.



CHANGING OUR MINDS AND OUR HEARTS ON INCLUSION

The Open Table Collective is proud to host ethicist, pastor, author, and advocate, Dr. David Gushee. Dr. Gushee is the Distinguished University Professor of Christian Ethics at Mercer University and the elected Past-President of both the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Christian Ethics, signaling his role as one of America's leading Christian ethicists. Dr. Gushee has authored, co-authored, edited or co-edited more than 27 books which includes "Changing Our Mind" his landmark clarion call for inclusion of LGBTQ+ Christians. **Join us on Sunday, June 4 from 6-8pm at Royal Oak First.** Any questions, visit theopentablecollective.com.



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Pentecost Weekend



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.



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!



Donations Needed

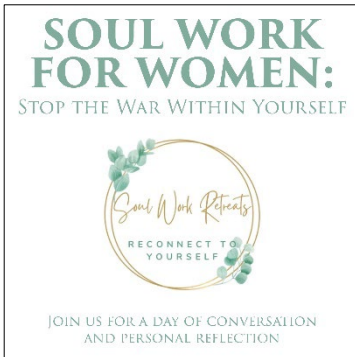


Digital Point & Shoot Cameras

DONATIONS OF DIGITAL POINT & SHOOT CAMERAS FOR SUMMER CHOIR CAMP

If you have an old digital point and shoot camera that you no longer use, our Summer Choir Camp is looking for 10 or more of them. Drop off at Church office. Any questions, reach out to Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at 248.541.4100 or jtropoli@rofum.org.

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SOUL WORK FOR WOMEN: STOP THE WAR WITHIN YOURSELF

This workshop on **Saturday, June 24 from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., led by Dr. Christie Mikell and Haley Hall**, is a starting point for any woman that needs a little more acceptance, grace and compassion in her life. Through education process groups and time for personal reflection you will learn to embrace the good, bad and ugly parts of yourself. Learn to acknowledge your failures and frustrations with grace and forgiveness so you can see yourself through more compassionate and loving eyes. Topics include: Perfectionism, Self-Confidence, Acceptance & Body Neutrality. Cost is \$35 and includes a light breakfast and lunch. For more information, visit www.drchristiemikell.com or email Christie at drchristiemikell@gmail.com. Scan QR code to sign up.



SCAN ME



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.



JUNE SANDWICH ASSEMBLY FROM HOME

Royal Oak First 3rd-5th graders have signed up to serve lunch at The NOAH Project in June. They are looking for your support in making this project a success. **We are hoping for volunteers to each assemble 30 meat & cheese sandwiches at home and bring to church on Sunday, June 18.** Additionally, they would appreciate donations of individually packaged lunch items that can be used to assemble sack lunches. If you are able to help in one of these ways, please scan the QR code to sign up. Thanks!



SCAN ME

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Al Simmons • Lee Hoffmann • Bill Young • 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 • Jim Shumaker •
Mary Nahhat • Diane Sexton • Donna Allen • Ann Anderson •
Audrey Leenhouts • Charlene Faunt •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Alex Guiang • Maryann Cristof • Liz Fitch • Mary McKinnon • Penny Wilkie •
Jim Slimek • 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 •

Sympathies to:

Family and friends of Bruce Barr, former member, on his death, May 18, 2023

*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,

The Jesus movement has always been a sending movement. The Jesus movement has always looked for people within their community who might be “called” to take what they have experienced and learned and go out and share God’s love in other places. It is an honor to be a part of a movement that sends disciples into the world.

Today, we welcome one of our own. Pastor Bob Demyanovich, Pastor of Cass City and Kingston United Methodist Church. Bob was grounded here at Royal Oak First for 20 years. He found our church during a time of difficulty and was welcomed with warmth and caring. Over the years Bob participated in many of the important ministries of our congregation including taking significant leadership in the launching of our bag lunch program and our Christmas outreach known as Bethlehem Marketplace. It was doing this important service that he met his partner, Karla Ringeisen.

In 2016, when I had the privilege of becoming Bob’s pastor, I saw within him the gifts of pastoral care and leadership. I asked Bob to pray if maybe Jesus was calling him to step into pastoral ministry as a vocational path. After prayer and discernment, Bob answered the call and entered the Licensed Local Pastor track, and in 2018 he was appointed to be the Lead Pastor of Cass City United Methodist Church. In the time that Bob (and Karla) have been leading the Cass City church, the church has experienced growth in membership and mission. Together, they are making Christ’s love real to their community.

So we welcome Bob and Karla back home and we are glad to receive his message of inspiration.

Thank you Royal Oak First for being a calling and sending church.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pastor Jeff" with a simple smiley face drawn below the name.

Pastor Jeff Nelson

P.S. – Don't forget to mark your calendar for June 10-11. This will be our Pentecost Weekend. On Saturday at 4:00 p.m., join us for a Tent Revival followed by an Ice Cream Social and a Cornhole Tournament (complete with Championship Belts!). And Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m., join us at our Wear Red Pentecost Celebration followed by a “Gourmet” Hot Dog Bar and Family Bingo where every bingo gets you a trip to Pastor Jeff’s prize table. Please bring a dozen cookies to share on Sunday!