



**ROYAL OAK**  
**FIRST**  
A United Methodist Church

**Sunday, June 18, 2023**  
**10:00 AM Worship**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

<b>Gathering Music</b>	“Counting Every Blessing”	House Band
<b>Call to Worship</b>		
<b>Song</b>	“Waking Up”	
<b>Welcome &amp; Invitation to Mission</b>		Kyle Webber & Jeff Nelson
<b>Children’s Moment</b>		
<b>Time of Prayer</b>		Erica Plesco
<b>Offering Our Gifts and Tithes</b>		
<b>Musical Offering</b>	“Fear is Not My Future” Maverick City Music	Chris Mikell
<b>Doxology</b>	“Give Thanks”	
<b>Scripture</b>	Exodus 3:1-9	Susanna Webber
<b>Poem</b>		Matthew Sawyer
<b>Message</b>	“For Every Mountain”	Rev. Dr. Darryl Totty
<b>Song</b>	“You Have Shown Us”	
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Sending Music</b>	“You Have Shown Us”	

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## KIT ASSEMBLY AFTER SERVICE TODAY!

Please stop by the parlor after service to help us wrap up the **May for Moms** collection by assembling **50 women's hygiene kits** to be sent to UMCOR. With your help, it should only take around 15 minutes. Thanks for your earlier donations of feminine hygiene items and today's gift of time!

## Moms at Pubs

(MAP)



## 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. **This month we will meet on Thursday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m. at the Royal Oak Brewery.** Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at [jtripoli@rofum.org](mailto:jtripoli@rofum.org) or phone/text 248.703.8805.

## SOUL WORK FOR WOMEN:

STOP THE WAR WITHIN YOURSELF



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF CONVERSATION  
AND PERSONAL REFLECTION

## 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. Learn to acknowledge your failures and frustrations with grace and forgiveness so you can see yourself through more compassionate and loving eyes. Cost is \$35 and includes a light breakfast and lunch. For more information, visit [www.drchristiemikell.com](http://www.drchristiemikell.com) or email Christie at [drchristiemikell@gmail.com](mailto:drchristiemikell@gmail.com). Scan QR code to sign up.



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## NOAH Project



## SUMMER BBQ AT NOAH

On **Thursday, June 29**, Royal Oak First is heading to the **NOAH Project in Detroit** to help throw a **summer block party BBQ for their regular visitors**. Our Missions Team is providing the burgers, hotdogs, coleslaw, and chips. We are hoping for your help purchasing watermelons, baking cookies & brownies, and volunteering at the event. Thank you for helping us share the love of Christ, along with a summer patriotic spirit, with our homeless neighbors in Detroit. Scan the QR code to sign up.



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## ROYAL OAK FIRST

## PRIDE & ALLY GROUP VOLUNTEERS

Our **Pride & Ally Group** is looking for **volunteers for our booth at some June and August Pride events**. We will be at 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](mailto:prideandally@rofum.org).



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## SOAP FOR SUMMER Collection

## JUNE "SOAP FOR SUMMER" COLLECTION

The new Outreach on 7th Essentials Pantry is quickly gaining momentum. In April, it supported around 25 households, and in May it supported 40 households. Throughout June, we will be collecting **dish soap, laundry soap, and shampoo** to help meet the needs of this fantastic program! Please grab an extra few bottles and bring them to church this month. Thank you!



## NOISY BUCKET

Give your spare change to help  
Lithuanian Methodist Churches

## SAVE YOUR LOOSE/SPARE CHANGE FOR NOISY BUCKET

Bring in your spare change in **on Sunday, June 25 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!

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## LEARN TO PLARN!

The Plarn Mat Project has officially launched for the summer of 2023. **Please stop by our table in the gathering space after service to learn how to make plarn** (yarn made from repurposed plastic grocery bags). This plarn will be used to crochet sleeping mats that are greatly appreciated by our Outreach on 7th lunch guests. If making plarn does not fit in your life currently, **we would still like your extra plastic shopping bags**. Please bring them to church and leave them in the plarn collection box.



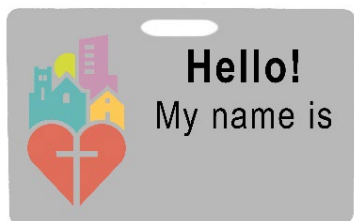
## ESSENTIALS PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

The first Saturday of the month, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. the Essentials Pantry is open. **We need volunteers to gather items from our supply inventory and hand out these supplies to those in need.** If you are able to volunteer, please scan the QR code.



## LOVE HAS NO LABELS LAWN SIGNS

The Pride & Ally Group is offering "Love Has No Labels" lawn signs available for a suggested donation of \$10. All proceeds will go towards scholarships for teens to Camp Beloved, a LGBTQIA+ summer camp. Our signs are available at the Connections Table in the Gathering Space.



## NAMETAGS PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP

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.

HAPPY  
*Father's Day*

**CELEBRATE**

**JUNE 19**

**JUNETEENTH**

**AFRICAN - AMERICAN FREEDOM DAY**

# PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

## **Prayers for Our Church Family:**

Joan Johnson • Gloria Knappenberger • Al Simmons • Phil Button •  
Lee Hoffmann • Neil Franks • Dave Minch • Kathy Seidler •  
Sue Genschoreck • Bill and Faye Bond • Kathi Burger • Jordan Altman •  
Allison and Bill Hempstead • Michelle Prud'homme • Mike Long •  
Marian Kremer • Sheryl Hunter • Art Miller • Karen Porter • Mary Nahhat •  
Diane Sexton • Donna Allen • Ann Anderson • Audrey Leenhouts •  
Charlene Faunt •

## **Prayers for Our Extended Family:**

Jennifer Wood • Chrystl Roman • Alex Guiang • Maryann Cristof • Liz Fitch •  
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 • 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 •  
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:**

The friends and family of Jim Shumaker on his death on June 14, 2023

*If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List,  
please contact Danielle Moody at [prayers@rofum.org](mailto:prayers@rofum.org).*

# LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

This weekend both Juneteenth and Father's Day will come together as important holiday and celebration in our culture.

Juneteenth commemorates the end of slavery in the United States and highlights the resilience, perseverance, and resistance of African-Americans in the face of oppression. It also calls all of us to continue to be engaged in the ongoing work for racial justice, civil rights and the cause of freedom in our world.

Father's Day is the moment we pause to uplift the fathers and father figures in our life. It is a day to say thank you to the fathers in our lives for the care and nurture they provided us, as well as a day to remind all fathers of the importance of being strong role models in our families and communities.

In order to bring these two important moments together for us this Sunday, we are proud to welcome our District Superintendent, Reverend Dr. Darryl Totty as our guest preacher. Reverend Totty has been a long-time friend, colleague and mentor of mine and I am grateful that he has agreed to lead us in worship this week.

Let me tell you a little bit about my friend and colleague. Before accepting his appointment to lead the Greater Detroit District, he served as Senior Pastor of Second Grace United Methodist Church in Detroit, MI. Prior appointments include Conant Avenue UMC, Jefferson Avenue UMC, and Christ UMC.

Reverend Totty holds a Master of Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (Evanston, IL) and a Doctor of Divinity from the Graduate Theological Foundation.

I have truly appreciated Reverend Totty's positive approach to life and ministry, his deep passion for social justice, and his faithfulness to the local church. We are blessed to have him as our Superintendent. Ask Reverend Totty what he is proud of and he is likely to tell you about his wife Anita, their three adult children and their four grandchildren.

We are excited to welcome this humble pastor, called leader, and proud father to our pulpit this Sunday.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Jeff" followed by a stylized flourish. Below the signature is a simple smiley face drawn with a circle and two dots for eyes.

Pastor Jeff Nelson