



KEEP IT SIMPLE
LOVE ONE ANOTHER



Sunday, July 9, 2023
10:00 AM Worship

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music	“Trust in God”	House Band
Call to Worship		Erica Plesco
Song	“Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Joanna Whaley & Jeff Nelson
Children’s Moment		
Mission Moment		Ann Brown
Time of Prayer		Eileen Albers & Joanna Whaley
Offering Our Gifts and Tithes		
Musical Offering	“Come to Me” Dan Forrest	Liz Wright, Soprano
Doxology	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Scripture	Matthew 11:16-19,25-30	
Message	“The Yoke is On Us”	Jeff Nelson
Song	“Trust in God”	
Benediction		
Sending Music	“Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)”	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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“KEEP IT SIMPLE” LAWN SIGNS

As part of our July sermon series “Keep it Simple”, we will have lawn signs that say “Keep it Simple-Love One Another” for you to take home and display. They will be available throughout the Gathering Space beginning Sunday, July 2.



Second Half
SAGES

Souls Actively Growing Ever Stronger

BACKYARD POTLUCK
Thursday, July 13,
6:00PM

SECOND HALF SAGES POTLUCK

All 50+ Second Half SAGES (*Souls Actively Growing Ever Stronger*), including spouses or significant others, please join us Thursday, July 13 at 6:00 p.m. for a backyard potluck and outdoor games at the home/backyard of Joyce and Tami Hollingsworth in Troy. Joyce and Tami will provide plates, plastic utensils, cool drinks, badminton, bocci and cornhole! You supply the food! Should it rain we will move inside. **All people ages 50+ are welcome whether or not you made our first planning meeting at the church in April!** Scan the QR code to RSVP and tell us the kind of food you want to bring! Questions or need help signing up, contact Joyce at 312.330.7632 or jhollingsworth@rofum.org.



SCAN ME



CHURCH PICNIC IS AUGUST 3

Our Church Picnic is almost here! On **Thursday, August 3 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Normandy Oaks, 4234 Delemere Blvd., Royal Oak, 48073**. 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.

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**Pride & Ally Group
NEEDS VOLUNTEERS
for Pride Event Booth**

PRIDE & ALLY GROUP VOLUNTEERS

Our Pride & Ally Group is looking for volunteers for our booth at the Royal Oak Pride event on Friday, August 4 and Saturday, August 5. Please scan the QR code to sign up! Any questions, please email prideandally@rofum.org.



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Learn to Plarn!



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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.



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

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

Text to Give: Text the amount you wish to give to 855.566.0093.

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.

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 Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at 248.541.4100 ext. 1225 or email jtripoli@rofum.org.

Thank you!

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Audrey Fick • Joan Johnson • Gloria Knappenberger • Al Simmons •
Phil Button • Lee Hoffmann • Neil Franks • Dave Minch • Kathy Seidler •
Kathi Burger • Bill and Faye Bond • 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:

Jim and Betty Goodrich • Malik Shabazz • JJ • Jennifer Wood •
Chrystl Roman • Alex Guiang • 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 •

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

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

"All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had."

--Acts 4:32 NIV

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

--Margaret J. Wheatley

*"People get ready
There's a train a-coming
You don't need no baggage
You just get on board
All you need is faith
To hear the diesels humming
Don't need no ticket
You just thank the Lord"*

--Curtis Mayfield & The Impressions

Dear Friends,

My high school football coach always used to say, "Young men, together we can accomplish more than we could ever do on our own." This was his reminder that we were a team and if we were going to succeed it would be together. We needed to be reminded that football was not an individual sport.

That is also true of the Christian life. While our faith is definitely personal, it is not private, it is best lived out together in the context of community. We need each other.

We help each other stay close to Jesus by praying, serving, worshiping and being in fellowship together.

Royal Oak First is a strong community of faithful persons who together serve each other and the community around us in a spirit of love and compassion. This Sunday, Jesus will remind us how important it is to stay connected to each other.

Grace and Peace,



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