



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

**Sunday, June 15, 2025**  
**10:00 AM Worship**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

<b>Gathering Music</b>	"Feels So Good" Chuck Mangione	House Band
<b>Song</b>	"Jehovah"	
<b>Song</b>	"Rest On Us"	
<b>Welcome &amp; Invitation to Mission</b>		Jeff Nelson & Jennifer Tripoli
<b>Children's Moment</b>		
<b>Affirmation of Faith</b>		
<b>Time of Prayer</b>		Nicole Wilson
<b>Invitation to Offering</b>		
<b>Musical Offering</b>		
<b>Doxology</b>	"Give Thanks"	
<b>Scripture Reading*</b>	John 16:12-15	
<b>Father's Day Poem</b>		Jeff Nelson
<b>Message</b>	"The Holy Trinity: A Relational Mystery"	Michael Rosas
<b>Closing Song</b>	"We Fall Down"	
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Departing Music</b>		

*\*New Revised Standard Version*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SERVICE



ON SUNDAY

## SERVICE FOR OTHERS TODAY

Join us for “**Service for Others**” today, **Sunday, June 15**, where we will be assembling lunches for Outreach on **7th’s Lunch Program**. Grab a coffee and snack at the Coffee Bar right after the 10:00 a.m. service, then join us in the Parlor. We hope to see you there!

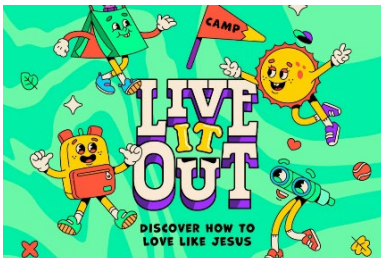


## NOISY BUCKET

Give your spare change to help  
Lithuanian Methodist Churches

## BRING IN YOUR SPARE CHANGE FOR NOISY BUCKET

Bring in your spare change in on **Sunday, June 22** at our **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!



Amazon Wish List  
Supplies Needed!

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS SUPPLIES!

Vacation Bible School is coming up quickly! Please scan the QR code to view the Amazon Wish List and donate supplies needed to make VBS a success this year! Your help is greatly appreciated!



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Moms at Pubs

(MAP)



## MOMS AT PUBS (MAP)

Moms at Pubs (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 normally meet (at a different location) on the 4th Thursday of each month, **so our next meeting will be on Thursday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m. at Fifth Avenue (215 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Royal Oak).** This will be our last get-together until September. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at [jtripoli@rofum.org](mailto:jtripoli@rofum.org).



## June Bag Lunch Collection

## JUNE BAG LUNCH COLLECTION FOR OO7

During June, our Missions Team has chosen to collect lunch items for the Outreach on 7<sup>th</sup> (OO7) Lunch Program. The summer and fall are the busiest time of year for their lunch program, serving meals to around 50 visitors each day. Each guest receives both a hot meal and a bag lunch to eat later in the day. **Please bring in individual-size chip bags, fruit/applesauce cups, and 8oz bottled water to help support this important program.** Please leave your donations near the collection bin across from the Welcome Desk. **In addition, please plan to help us assemble sandwiches for OO7 on Sunday, June 15 at 11:00 a.m.**



## ESSENTIALS PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SATURDAY

The first Saturday morning of the month, 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 scan the QR code to sign up.



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MICAH 6  
COMMUNITY**

**Gardening  
Dates**

## SUMMER GARDENING AT MICAH 6

Come join us on **Saturday, July 12** as we **lend our hands in service at the Micah 6 gardens in Pontiac**. Our friends at Micah 6 work daily to build community and improve the lives of those in their neighborhood. At the heart of their mission is their extensive vegetable gardens where they grow fresh produce to share with their neighbors with limited access to fresh food. We will help with a variety of tasks including: harvesting vegetables, spreading mulch, weeding, planting, and cleanup. Please scan the QR code to sign up.



**NOAH  
at Central**



## NOAH SUMMER BBQ RETURNS!

Thank you for the impressive response of volunteers to help at the Summer BBQ at NOAH on July 31st! We have more than enough volunteers at this point, but **we could use additional donations of whole watermelons and homemade cookies/brownies**. These items help give the event a backyard BBQ feel, which is often lacking when feeding large groups. Please scan the QR code to sign up. These donations should be brought to church on Tuesday, July 29 and left on the collection table that will be set up across from the Welcome Desk.



## BAKERY ITEMS FOR THE COFFEE BAR ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

Do you like to bake/make yummy snacks or buy treats from the bakery at your local store? **If so, please SIGN UP to bring 3 dozen snacks for the Coffee Bar on Sundays**. The smiling faces and happy bellies will be all the joy you need for the day for sure! Scan the QR code or stop by the Connections Table after service to sign up.





HAPPY  
*Father's Day*

***CELEBRATE***

**JUNE 19**

**JUNETEENTH**

**AFRICAN - AMERICAN FREEDOM DAY**

# PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

## Prayers for Our Church Family:

Dave Minch • Zelda Diamond • Charles Hardaway • Jenny Lowman •  
Jan Albert • Joan Johnson • Mary Lou Graeber • Diane George •  
Michele Prud'homme • Dauroran Thurman • Jerry Elliott • Ren Renforth •  
Grace Perkins • LeeAnn Witherspoon • Judy Bryan • Mark Thatcher •  
Don & Ann Anderson •

## Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Susan Connors • Lori Mason • Rich Zielinski • The Everst Family •  
Cara & Kevin Smith • Halen Alexander • Jessica Boyer •  
Troy & Deb Bongard • The Stubitsch Family • Joyce & John Barber •  
Marisa Beckford • Ronald Fick • Zach Tyler • Heather Brown Miller •  
Scott & Cathy Dawe • Marykay McCaskey • Brett Thatcher • Ellen Delangy •

## Congratulations to:

Erin and James Berry on the birth of their daughter, Sylvie Berry on June 9,  
2025

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



## TIME OF PRAYER

All are welcome to the Time of Prayer on Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. at church. We review the church prayer list, spend time in silence and pray together in the Sanctuary. This is wonderful opportunity to uplift your personal prayer requests.

# LETTER FROM OUR PREACHER

Dear Friends,

Today in the church calendar, we celebrate the Holy Trinity. The Trinity, though a cornerstone of Christian faith and theology, is still something of mystery. Because three “persons” (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) are one God, which is a difficult concept to wrap one’s head around, theologians have spent the last 1700 years or so trying to define and explain exactly how that is, and what it means for us. Spoiler alert: we will never fully understand every aspect of God.

No matter how many boxes we try to put God in, God’s expansiveness is greater than those boxes or any limitations we might try to impose. Luckily, Jesus gives us the gift of Spirit to help to understand what God is saying to us in our own time, even if we don’t have all the answers about who God is.

Today’s scripture reading continues the Pentecost theme of the Holy Spirit. In this passage, Jesus is speaking to the disciples before his arrest, trial, and crucifixion. He is giving his last bit of teaching and trying to impart as much wisdom as he can in these last few hours before his death. Jesus promises that the Spirit will be the disciple’s guide and comfort after he is no longer physically present. While these words were said to Jesus’ followers in their time, they are also for us now as a reminder that we have a supporter and connection to God through the Spirit still working and active in our world today.

I pray that your summer is a time of rest, relaxation, and renewal! Enjoy the nice weather, your vacations and trips, your cottages, watching the Tigers, or whatever your summer traditions may be.

Remember that we are still here at Royal Oak First every Sunday and you can always watch worship online during the livestream, or later in the week when you are away.

Yours in Christ,  
Michael Rosas