

Makin' it Real

"The Explosion of the Spirit"

Sunday, June 8, 10:00AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Choral Introit	"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" arr. K. Lee Scott	Sanctus Choir
Call to Worship		Sam Nelson
Opening Hymn	"On Pentecost They Gathered"	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Jeff Nelson & Jennifer Tripoli
Endowment Update		
Reception of New Members		
Time of Prayer		Arthur Jemison
Invitation to Offering		
Musical Offering	"Psalm for Pentecost" Alexander Peloquin	Sanctus Choir
Doxology #94**	"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"	
Scripture Reading*	Acts 2:1-13	
Pentecost Poem		Susanna Klimek
Message	"Makin' it Real: The Explosion of the Spirit"	Jeff Nelson
Closing Hymn	"Sing a New Church"	
Benediction		
Postlude	"Prelude and Chaconne in C Major BuxWV 137" Dieterich Buxtehude	

**New Revised Standard Version
**United Methodist Hymnal*

DID YOU KNOW?

Traditionally, Royal Oak First has reserved the second Sunday of each month as our Missions Sunday. We often welcome one of our community partners to speak during the Mission Moment, and put green Missions envelopes in the Bulletin. The donations collected in these green envelopes fund our Missions budget for the year. Thank you for your continued support!

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PENTECOST AND THE MAKIN' IT REAL BLOCK PARTY IS **TODAY!**

You are invited to wear **RED** (any red will do, even our new "Makin' it Real" red t-shirts!) **for Pentecost on Sunday, June 8. Join us after our 10:00 a.m. service for our Makin' it Real Block Party, sponsored by the Royal Oak First Endowment Team.** There will be hot dogs, bounce houses, fellowship, and our annual Cornhole Tournament.



JUNE BAG LUNCH COLLECTION FOR OO7

During June, our Missions Team has chosen to collect lunch items for the Outreach on 7th (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.**



RBI PRODUCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your continued support in providing fresh produce monthly to the families served through Redford Brightmoor Initiative's Free Store! **We are in need of 1 more shopping volunteer in July. Scan the QR code to sign up.**



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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.



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BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT PRIDE EVENTS

Our Pride & Ally Group is looking for **volunteers for our Royal Oak First booth at various June and July Pride events.** We will be at Family Pride Night at the Royal Oak Farmers Market on Wednesday, June 11, Berkley Pride on Sunday, June 22 and Royal Oak Pride on Friday, July 25 and Saturday, July 26. Scan the QR code to sign up! If you have any questions, please email prideandally@rofum.org.



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“LIVE IT OUT” VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 23-26, 2025 6:00-8:00PM

Come join us as at Vacation Bible School where we will explore what it means to love like Jesus, by showing kindness and forgiveness, praying for and serving **others.** We'll learn how to "Live It Out" by showing Jesus' love in everything we do! Any questions, please contact Tori Kozan at tkozan511@gmail.com. Scan the QR code to sign up.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR WANTED

We are now accepting applications for a Sunday School Coordinator. The Sunday School Coordinator creates our Sunday morning program for our children 5th grade and younger during worship. **This person will be part of our Children, Youth & Family Ministries Team, under the direction of our Associate Pastor of Programs.** It is **10 hours a week, with flexibility outside of Sunday morning hours.** Email Pastor Bridget Nelson for a full job description at bnelson@rofum.org.



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 are 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.



THE COFFEE BAR NEEDS YOU?

Are you available on the 4th Sunday of the month? Are you looking for a fun, easy way to connect with other people at church while being of service? We have just the spot for you! Coffee bar volunteers prepare coffee, tea, water, and snacks all before service. Then after service, they keep the coffee coming and wipe tables and counters while interacting with our congregants. If this sounds interesting to you, please stop by the Connections Table or scan the QR code.



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VACATION SUPPLIES!

BIBLE

SCHOOL

NEEDS

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!



BAKERY ITEMS (HOMEMADE OR STORE BOUGHT) FOR THE COFFEE BAR ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

Would you like to make everyone who comes to Sunday service happy? 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.



ESSENTIALS PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON THE 1ST SATURDAY

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 scan the QR code to sign up.



PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

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

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

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 • Carla Hempstead • Reese • RaeDena •
Michael Elliott • Beth Copeland • Ellen Delangy •

Sympathies to:

Lee Hoffmann on the death of her friend, Beverly Vaughn on June 3, 2025

The Tripoli family on the death of Jennifer's cousin, Aiden Alexander on May 29, 2025

*If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List,
please contact Danielle Moody at 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 PASTOR

Dear Beloved Community,

Grace and Peace to you all!

This Sunday, we gather to celebrate one of the most vibrant and spirited moments in our Christian calendar – Pentecost Sunday! Now I know what you might be thinking: “Isn’t that just a fancy word for ‘let’s wear red and have a good time?’” Well, my friends, yes and no! While we will indeed don our finest shades of crimson (and I encourage you to go all out – think fire engine red or elegant ruby), there’s so much more bubbling beneath the surface of this joyous occasion.

Pentecost is the day we remember the moment when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, igniting a fervent flame of love, inspiration, and connection that spread like wildfire across the world. It’s a time to reflect on how that same Spirit continues to breathe life into our lives and our community today, encouraging us to pursue our purpose with passion and to connect deeply with one another and the world around us.

So why red, you may ask? Well, red symbolizes fire, and fire is not just about heat; it’s about transformation! Just like a phoenix rising from the ashes (or your favorite superhero emerging from a dramatic explosion), the Holy Spirit ignites within us a burning desire to live out our faith with courage and enthusiasm. It’s a reminder that we are called to fan the flames of love and service in everything we do.

But wait, there’s more! After worship, we’re throwing a Makin’ it Real Block Party! Join us for food, fun, and fellowship - because what better way to celebrate than with a community that knows how to enjoy life together? Thank you to our incredible Endowment Team for sponsoring this event and making it all possible.

So, bring your appetite, your best stories, and your sense of mission. Let’s celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, the love of Christ that binds us, and the joy of being a part of this amazing community. I can’t wait to see all of you decked out in red with smiling faces, as we come together to share in the love that brings us together.

May your week be filled with inspiration and connection, and may we all continue to be vessels of that fiery Spirit in our daily lives.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Jeff" followed by a stylized flourish.

Pastor Jeff Nelson