



ROYAL OAK
FIRST
A United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 20, 2025
10:00 AM Worship

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music	“Yes and Amen”	
Greeting		Griffin Anspach
Song	“Promises”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Jeff Nelson & Nicole Wilson
Baptism		Lynn Hebert <i>Daughter of Lisa & Marshall Hebert</i>
Finance Moment		Mike McNutt
Welcome of Pastoral Intern		
Children’s Moment		
Time of Prayer		
Invitation to Offering		
Musical Offering	“Better Than I” From “Joseph, King of Dreams” John Bucchino	Maria Moro
Doxology	“Give Thanks”	
Scripture Reading*	Genesis 50:15-21	
Message	"The Plan"	Nicole Wilson
Song	“Trust In God”	
Benediction		
Departing Music		

**New Revised Standard Version*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



JOIN US FOR OUR CHURCH PICNIC ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

Our Church Picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 13 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



ARTS, BEATS & EATS CHARITY PREVIEW PARTY BENEFITTING OUTREACH ON 7TH

Outreach on 7th is a beneficiary of this year's Arts, Beats & Eats Charity Preview Party! Join us for this fun night out to sample great food, custom cocktails and groove to music by artists scheduled to perform at the annual Labor Day weekend festival. **This takes place under the skies on Fifth Street in Royal Oak, between Washington and Center Streets. (Rain location is the Fifth Avenue Nightclub) from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 21. BE SURE TO SELECT OUTREACH ON 7TH towards the end of your purchase. Scan the QR code to purchase your ticket.**



SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION FOR FERNDAL LOWER ELEMENTARY

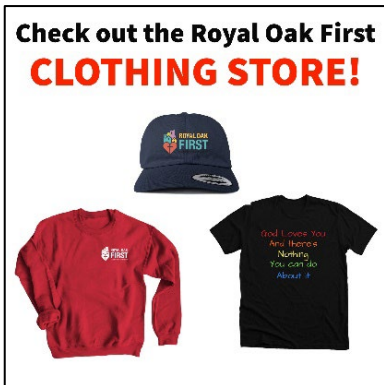
Late summer brings the return of the Royal Oak First School Supply Collection! We are continuing our partnership with Ferndale Lower Elementary and will be collecting the following items which they requested: **glue sticks, Expo markers, Crayola 24ct crayons, Ticonderoga pencils, and kid scissors.** Other items are welcome, but those listed are of greatest need.

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NAMETAGS PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP

Since we have now gone to only one service for the summer, we invariably will meet new people and **it is good to wear your nametag to facilitate introductions and conversations.** 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.



FALL KICK-OFF IS COMING!

GEAR UP WITH ROYAL OAK FIRST SWAG!

Get ready for the season and show your church spirit in style! **The Royal Oak First Church Clothing Store is open and stocked with awesome gear — from short and long-sleeve tees to cozy sweatshirts, hats, and even a t-shirt for your pup!**



It's the perfect time to grab some fresh Royal Oak First swag. Scan the QR code to browse and order from our online store!



OUTREACH ON 7TH WISH LIST

Outreach on 7th could use the following items:

- Men's Shoes (sizes 10 & 11)
- 2 Adult Bikes
- 2 Bike Helmets and 2 High Visibility Vests
- Easy Opened Canned Fruit and Meat

Please drop off at the church office, Monday-Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

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WE NEED COFFEE BAR VOLUNTEERS FOR 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.



SCAN ME



ESSENTIALS PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON THE 1ST 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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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.



SCAN ME

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PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Emily Edwards • Cathy McFarlane • Phyllis Hassberger • Kristen Turkington • Sue Buxton • Adrienne Loftin • Dave Minch • Lee Hoffmann • Jan Albert • Charles Hardaway • Joan Johnson • Mary Lou Graeber • Jerry Elliott • Michele Prud'homme • Grace Perkins • Judy Bryan • Mark Thatcher • Ann Anderson •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Cheryl Castellani • Deb Ingraham • Sharon 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:

Zack & Ashley Rondot on the birth of their son, Henry Michael on July 14, 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,

Moments matter.

As I grow older, I realize our lives are marked not just by time but by moments. Moments offer God a chance to break through, whispering truths that resonate in our hearts and connect us. This week, as we gather for worship, we'll encounter three special moments inviting us to pause and reflect on the divine presence in our lives.

Nicole Wilson's Internship:

This week, we begin a new journey with our friend Nicole Wilson. Nicole and her family have been part of our community for some time. We have been blessed by her leadership and deep love for God and people. Currently enrolled at Garrett Evangelical pursuing a Masters of Divinity, Nicole is on the path to ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church. For the next academic year, she will serve more formally with us. Today, we affirm what we already know—God's favor is upon her, and her gifts bless the church and the world. We are glad to provide a space for her to learn and serve. This is a moment for Nicole, her family, and for us to encounter God in new and meaningful ways.

Lynn's Baptism:

This Sunday, we will baptize Lynn Herbert, the granddaughter of Rick and Amy Lieblein. We will stand with their daughter Lisa and her husband Marshall, surrounding them with love and hope. Baptisms are sacred moments—a rite of passage for families, where older generations pause to give thanks for new life and the promise it represents. For congregations, it is a holy moment when we pledge to accompany this family as the hands and heart of Jesus. We have been blessed to witness so many baptisms this season, and we are grateful for this moment in Lynn's journey.

Choir Camp:

This week, we will send over 70 young people to camp. For nearly seven decades, Royal Oak First has sent kids to sing, pray, play, and form Christian community. It is a week where memories are made and friendships deepen. It is a time for exploring faith and planting seeds of belief. Many former campers return as adult counselors, and for those blessed by Choir Camp, memories of camp often rank among their closest encounters with God.

Thank you, Royal Oak First, for making Christ's love real by creating moments for Jesus to show up.

Moments matter.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Jeff". Below the signature is a simple line drawing of a smiley face with two dots for eyes and a curved line for a mouth.

Pastor Jeff Nelson