

# Royal Oak First Christmas Eve Worship Experiences

# 4:00 p.m. Family Service

We will be in the Sanctuary and livestreaming the service on YouTube and Facebook. welcome to join this family and kid friendly worship, complete with glow sticks! The Nursery will be open. Our children and youth will lead us in a service with lots of music and a shorter message for all ages. All are

# 7:00 p.m. Blue Jean Christmas Service

in the Sanctuary and livestreaming the service on YouTube and Facebook. candlelight as part of our worship. Our House Band will be leading us. The Nursery will be open. We will be Come as you are and worship with us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. We will also have a service of

## 9:00 p.m. Traditional Service

and Faceboo.. of candlelight will conclude our worship. We will be in the Sanctuary and livestreaming the service on YouTube Traditional Christmas Eve worship service featuring Sanctus Choir, organ, and a woodwind quartet. A service

#### 11:00 p.m. Outside Service

to celebrate the birth of Jesus. A service of candlelight will be included. Join us outside on our front lawn for a simple, yet Holy worship experience in the dark of night as we prepare

# **CHECK OUT ALL OF OUR ADVENT HAPPENINGS**

## CHILDREN'S STORYTIME WITH PASTOR JEFF

Sundays, beginning November 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Every Sunday in Advent (11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21) at 7:30 p.m., join Pastor Jeff on Facebook Live for a cozy bedtime story. Each week he'll share a seasonal tale to help children—and all of us—enter more deeply into the spirit of Advent. Tune in and enjoy a few fun moments together as we prepare our hearts for Christmas.

#### ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Monday, December 1 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

The women of the church are invited to join us Monday, December 1 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., for an evening of speakers and music to get us ready for the season ahead. We will have a program in the Sanctuary followed by dessert at tables in the Parlor and Gathering Space. Reservations are now closed.

#### SPREAD THE CHEER!

Saturday, December 6 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Let's make sure every heart feels remembered and loved. This Christmas season, everyone gets a card—because it may be the only one they receive. We're also continuing our Christmas Cookie Delivery & Visit tradition to make Christ's love real in our church family. On Saturday, December 6, bring two dozen of your favorite type of cookie or holiday treat. We will make cookie plates/bags for some of our church family that could use a little extra love this season, and they will be delivered throughout that weekend. It is a lovely, and delicious, way to spread holiday joy within our church family this season! \*No need to be a baker to spread holiday cheer. We will need everyone's (kids & adults) hands to: make/ send cards, buy/bake treats, assemble cookie plates/bags and to visit & deliver the treats.\*



# "FEAST OF CAROLS" CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 p.m.

Join us for the 71st annual "Feast of Carols "Christmas Concert: "Jesus, Joseph, and Mary: a Holy Family" featuring the ensembles of Royal Oak First including our Sanctus Choir, Carillon Ringers, Children's Choirs, Youth Choir, and House and Youth Bands, in addition to guest instrumentalists. Be sure to take in the sounds of our ensembles at Royal Oak First for an afternoon of glorious music. After the concert, join us for cookies and punch in the Gathering Space organized by the Music Guild.

#### **BABY'S FIRST CHRISTMAS**

Sunday, December 14 at 9:00 a.m.

Families with infants experiencing their very first Christmas are invited to 9:00 a.m. worship for a special blessing and gift from the church. We are excited to celebrate this special moment with you and your newborn!

#### **CHRISTMAS SWEATER SUNDAY**

Sunday, December 14 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Wear your favorite Christmas sweater "ugly" or not! Come and spread the joy of the season with your best Christmas get-up!

#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, December 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

At our 11:00 a.m. service, the children of Royal Oak First will present the story of the first Christmas. Music will be provided by the Children's Choirs of Royal Oak First.

#### LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

Sunday, December 21 at 7:00 p.m.

If you are mourning the loss of a loved one, dealing with an illness, navigating financial struggles or simply not feeling the spirit of Christmas; this service is a quiet, prayerful moment acknowledging the difficulties of the season.