



ROYAL OAK
FIRST
A United Methodist Church

Sunday, June 23, 2024
10:00 AM Worship

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” arr. Jason D. Payne	Kyle Webber
Call to Worship		Jeff Jones
Opening Hymn #545	“The Church’s One Foundation”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Jennifer Tripoli & Jeff Nelson
Mission Moment	Noisy Bucket	Leonard Benyas, Piano
Song		Children of Vacation Bible School
Time of Prayer		Jeff Jones and Nicole Wilson
Invitation to Offering		
Musical Offering	“Oh Lord, You’re Beautiful” by Keith Green	Laci Basel
Doxology	“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Scripture	Philippians 1:27	
Message		Bridget Nelson
Closing Hymn #2184	“Sent Out in Jesus’ Name”	
Benediction		
Departing Music	“Toccata in Seven” by John Rutter	

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Moms at Pubs

(MAP)



MOMS AT PUBS (MAP)- THURSDAY, JUNE 27

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 meet monthly on the 4th Thursday of each month. **This month we will meet on Thursday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Bigalora, 711 S. Main Street, Royal Oak.** Each month we pick a different location where to meet. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at jtripoli@rofum.org or phone/text 248.703.8805.

PASTOR CHAT- SUNDAY, JUNE 30

If you're new to Royal Oak First and you'd like to know more about our church or if you'd like to learn the next steps about how to become part of everything going on here, then come to the Pastor Chat. The next **Pastor Chat will be on Sunday, June 30 at 11:15 a.m. in the Parlor** and last no more than 30 minutes. We look forward to seeing you!

PRIDE & ALLY GROUP NEEDS VOLUNTEERS AT OUR LAST PRIDE EVENT!

Our Pride & Ally Group needs **volunteers for our booth at Pride Royal Oak on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27.** Please scan the QR code to sign up! If you have any questions, please email prideandally@rofum.org.



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June Snack Collection

JUNE MISSIONS SNACK COLLECTION

During the month of June, the Missions Team plans to **collect lunch snacks: chips, goldfish crackers, applesauce pouches, granola bars, etc.** These will be used for two upcoming projects: our 3rd-5th graders will be assembling lunches for NOAH, and the rest we will share with the UMC Freedom Schools summer literacy program. Please drop off items in the bin located at the Tower entrance at the top of the stairs or the bin by the Welcome Desk near the Lafayette entrance.

NOAH at Central



NOAH SUMMER BBQ RETURNS!

Our volunteers had such a great time grilling and serving the food at the NOAH at Central Summer BBQ last year that we jumped at the chance to do it again. **If you would like to join the fun, please mark your calendar for the morning of Thursday, June 27.** We are also asking for **dessert and watermelon donations for this event to be dropped off at the church on Tuesday, June 25 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. or 5-7 p.m.** Scan the QR code to sign up to either volunteer or donate food.

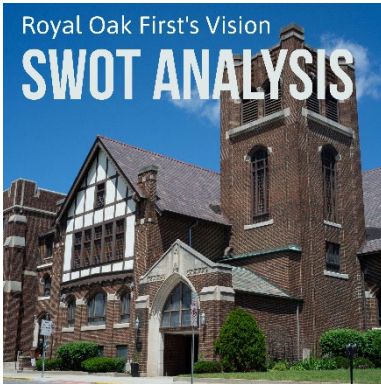


CROCHETING FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Do you know how to crochet or want to learn? Shawl Ministry has a mission project for you that you can do from home. Crochet 9x9 inch Solid Granny Squares, any color combo, that the Shawl Ministry will then crochet together to make blankets to be donated to cancer patients at a local hospital. It takes 24 squares for each blanket. **Beginner crochet lessons are taught each Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. service (crochet hooks and yarn will be supplied).** Start crocheting, use up yarn and help us send out blankets of love. Reach out to Kathy Seidler for additional questions at kseidler@wowway.com.



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NEXT STEPS FOR CHURCH'S VISION INVOLVE YOU!

The next step of our church-wide planning process is to assess the gap between where we are right now in relation to our vision for the future which we created in March at our Visioning Day. To assess that, we will do a SWOT analysis, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats.

We need you, invested members of the congregation at every age and stage of life, to help us identify:

1. Royal Oak First's current strengths and weaknesses in relation to each of the long-term vision elements we created.
2. The external opportunities before us at Royal Oak First that we can seize and/or create to help move us toward our vision.
3. The external dangers and threats Royal Oak First needs to anticipate and be aware of that could derail progress toward our vision.

We hope you can join us on Monday, July 8 from 5:30-9:00 p.m. We will have a light dinner from 5:30-6:00 p.m. and then begin the SWOT analysis at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited whether or not you were able to attend the Visioning Day in March. Please scan QR code to sign up.



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REDFORD BRIGHTMOOR INITIATIVE (RBI) PRODUCE COLLECTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 additional shopping and delivery volunteers on July 11th and 12th.** Thank you to all who have helped with the continued success of this project! Scan the QR code to sign up.



RBI PRODUCE COORDINATOR NEEDED

One of our co-coordinators for the Redford Brightmoor Initiative (RBI) Produce Program is looking to step down, **so we are looking for a new co-coordinator.** The two co-coordinators work together to update the digital sign-up and send out the informational email to the volunteers. When we are short on volunteers, they work with Karla to find additional helpers or if they are able, one of the coordinators will fill in, but it is not expected. A more detailed description of duties is available by emailing missions@rofum.org or by stopping by the Connections Table after service.

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

Lee Hoffmann • Nancy Matson • Joyce Negrich • Sheryl Safran •
Woody Siddall • Mike Long • Deb Harmon • The Gothards •
Al and Gloria Knappenberger • Sue Minch •

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

Margaret Maas • Jasean Esper • Victor and Christy Pantin •
Michael Retaskie • Lee and Mary Warmouth • Effie Lambros • Audrey Sproul •
Harold and Sue Williams • Pam and Rich Rush • Blake Hurley •
Sheryl Moreno • Deana Sawicki • John Barber, Jr. • Jim Louchery •

Sympathies to:

The friends and family of Art Miller on his death on June 19, 2024

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

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

It has been a special week here at Royal Oak First. Every night I got to spend time with 25 to 30 preschoolers through second graders singing, dancing, making crafts, playing games, and creating community. "Start the Party," has been the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) - and it has been a party. Thank you to Beth Simms and the dozens of servants (Reese Showers, Braeden Simms, Samantha Moody and Lily Hammond, who are too old for VBS, served as helpers). We love it when young people start to become leaders of other kids!

In addition, Bridget led a group of middle and senior high students on a mission trip to the Boyne City Service Project and Danielle took our upper elementary students to the NOAH project in Detroit. Jesus' love was shared, new friendships formed, and lots of memories were made. Thank you to ALL of those helpers who made this week possible. Together God is using us to make a difference in world.

Last Sunday, I let you know that Kyle Webber, our Director of Music and Worship, was leaving his position at Royal Oak First. His last Sunday with us will be July 7th.

I have truly enjoyed working with Kyle. He brought a lot of love to our worship and a lot of camaraderie to our team. His love of hand bells was infectious and Kyle starting up an orchestra that included lots of new faces helped in making Christ's love real through music. Our Compass Team has begun the search for a new director. Please pray that God will call the right person to fill this important leadership role for our community.

In all things, and in all seasons, God is with us! I for one, am trusting in that promise.

Grace and Peace,

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

Pastor Jeff Nelson