



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

**Sunday, July 14, 2024**  
**10:00 AM Worship**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Gathering Music**

**Greeting**

Erica Plesco

**Song**

“Trust in God”

**Song**

“10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)”

**Welcome & Invitation to Mission**

Jennifer Tripoli & Jeff Nelson

**Children’s Moment**

Jaime Luczak

**Receiving of New Members**

**Time of Prayer**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Musical Offering**

“Gavotte in G Major”  
by Christian Petzhold

Nora Harris-Ko

**Doxology**

“Give Thanks”

**Scripture**

Matthew 28:16-20

**Message**

“Power and Authority?”

Jeff Nelson

**Song**

“God Really Loves Us”

**Benediction**

**Departing Music**

House Band

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## JOIN US FOR OUR CHURCH PICNIC ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

Our Church Picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 7 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](mailto:office@rofum.org).



## GOT KITCHEN SUPPLIES? WE NEED THEM FOR CHOIR CAMP!

We are in need of kitchen supplies for our Cooking Class that will happen during this year's Choir Camp! If you can donate (or loan), please drop off at the Church Office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 18. Here is what we need: Hot Plates • Blenders • Mixing Bowls • Hand Mixers • Food Processors.



## ROYAL OAK FIRST DADS ARE GETTING TOGETHER

Dads of all ages are getting together for breakfast, fellowship and faith to discuss life as fathers and the challenges we all face. We will next meet on Wednesday, July 17 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. We have rotated locations where we meet, so please check in with Michael Spath at [michaelspath1980@gmail.com](mailto:michaelspath1980@gmail.com) to learn more.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Director of Worship & Music



## DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & MUSIC JOB OPENING

Royal Oak First United Methodist Church seeks an experienced worship and music director and organist who can lead people in music and worship in a full-time position with the church. The Worship and Music Director is the primary facilitator of the creative and planning process for the worship experience, while also directing all areas of music. This person leads the worship team to ensure the delivery of high-quality, meaningful worship services for the congregation. With a focus on inclusion and diversity of styles, the Worship and Music Director works with a team of paid and volunteer staff and musicians to ensure our weekly services are well-planned and well-organized. **Scan QR code for job description and details on how to apply.**



## 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](mailto:prideandally@rofum.org).



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Check out the Royal Oak First  
**CLOTHING STORE!**



## CHECK OUT THE ROYAL OAK FIRST CHURCH CLOTHING STORE!

Wanna tell everyone that your church is the coolest one around? **Check out our church clothing webpage! We have t-shirts (short sleeve and long sleeve), sweatshirts, hats and even a t-shirt for your doggie.** Scan QR code to order.



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## 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. **Beginner crochet lessons are taught each Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. service (crochet hooks and yarn will be supplied).**



Service  
Opportunities  
at Church

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DURING ARTS, BEATS & EATS

From August 30-September 2, nearly 400,000 people will visit our community during Arts, Beats & Eats (ABE), so we are looking for volunteers. **You will greet Arts, Beats & Eats volunteers, sponsors & artists at the Tower door; keep the church outdoor area picked up; offer assistance to ABE Volunteer Command Center Staff as needed. Bonus: Each person that volunteers for a shift will receive free admission to the festival!** Scan the QR code to sign up.



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## Royal Oak First is always grateful when people give of their TIME, TALENT and/or TREASURE.

Did you know that there are several different ways to give financially?

**Text to Give:** Text the amount you wish to give to 855.566.0093.

**In Person:** You can place a check or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate when it goes by or in one of the offering collection boxes just outside the Sanctuary.

**Giving App:** Download the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app to set up one-time or recurring donations.

**Online:** Visit [rofum.org/giving](http://rofum.org/giving) to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts.

You can always check out our website, [www.rofum.org](http://www.rofum.org) for **Volunteer Opportunities** or subscribe to our weekly email, by going to this link: <http://eepurl.com/c9m7L9> or by stopping by the Connections Table in the Gathering Space.

For more information, contact Pastor Jennifer Tripoli at 248.541.4100 ext. 1225 or email [jtripoli@rofum.org](mailto:jtripoli@rofum.org).

Thank you!

# PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

## **Prayers for Our Church Family:**

Whitney Brown • Rob Phillip • Diana Shornak • Allison and Bill Hempstead •  
Lee Hoffmann • Nancy Matson • Joyce Negrich • Sheryl Safran •  
Woody Siddall • Mike Long • The Gothards • Al and Gloria Knappenberger •  
Sue Minch •

## **Prayers for Our Extended Family:**

Bob Payne • Deana Sawicki • Vayda Worden • Bobby Edward •  
Matthew Fletcher • Margaret Maas • Jasean Esper •  
Victor and Christy Pantin • Michael Retaskie • Lee and Mary Warmouth •  
Effie Lambros • Audrey Sproul • Harold and Sue Williams • Blake Hurley •  
Sheryl Moreno • John Barber, Jr. • Jim Louchery •

## **Sympathies to:**

Brian Kubacki on the death of his mother, Anna Kubacki on July 4, 2024  
Judy Chambers on the death of her brother in law, David Chambers on June  
15, 2024

## **Congratulations to:**

Ian Semivan and his new wife Stacy on their wedding on July 6, 2024

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

# LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

A group of church members and leaders met again last Monday evening for prayer and to discern what kind of community God is calling us to become here at Royal Oak First. These months of gathering in community have continued to bring to the surface some clear themes for the kind of movement we are becoming:

1. A Place that is Learning to Live the Love of Jesus
2. A Multi-Generational Community of Care and Connection
3. A Church that is Pursuing Social Justice as a Way to Honor the Image of God in All People

I love that the themes are centered in the life and ministry of Jesus. The more we look to Him as a model of the kind of life and world that is possible. The more my own life is centered in Jesus, the more I find myself living a life grounded in hope, grace and love. I am excited to be a part of a community where together we will continue to learn what it means to be living the love of Jesus.

These are the pillars we will build upon for the next chapter of our life together. Over the next few weeks, I will explore what these pillars will mean for our community. But please know this, there will be a place for everyone to help build this movement. God needs each of us to play our part in making Christ's love real.

Looking forward to our future together.

Grace and Peace,

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