



ROYAL OAK
FIRST
A United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 21, 2024
10:00 AM Worship

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Music		House Band
Greeting		Erica Plesco
Song	“Rest On Us”	
Song	“Who You Say I Am”	
Welcome & Invitation to Mission		Erica Plesco & Jeff Nelson
Children’s Moment		
Time of Prayer		Nicole Wilson
Invitation to Offering		
Musical Offering	“In The Garden”	Kiersten Ciccone
Doxology	“Give Thanks”	
Scripture	Matthew 28:16-20	
Message	“Power and Authority?”	Jeff Nelson
Song	“You Have Shown Us”	
Benediction		
Departing Music		

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NURSERY STAFF NEEDED

We are in need of an additional adult to be part of our paid nursery staff. Our nursery team creates a safe and fun space for our youngest children at Royal Oak First. **This person would be paid hourly for time in the nursery, primarily on Sunday mornings, but sometimes for other events.** If you are interested, please send an email to our Nursery Coordinator Natalia Tovarez at ntovarez@rofum.org.



COFFEE BAR NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

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 make coffee, get water, and prepare snacks all before service is over. Then you get to interact with the many people who swing by the coffee bar.** If this sounds interesting to you, please reach out to Mike Monte at mmonte@rofum.org or 248.541.4100 or feel free to swing by the Coffee Bar to talk to Mike on a Sunday.

MOVIE SCREENING OF “UNDIVIDE US”

Join us at Royal Oak First United Methodist Church for an **advanced screening of the documentary “UNDIVIDE US” on Sunday, August 11th from 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.** Following the film will be a small group discussion on toxic polarization. The event is free and all are welcome. Here is a brief description about the movie: “America is at a crossroads where politicians, traditional media, and social media fan the flames of toxic partisanship, undermining the values and institutions that unite us. **UNDIVIDE US** is a timely and urgent plea to reclaim the nation’s soul through open discourse, civic engagement, and self-governance. Learn more about the film at <https://undivideusmovie.com/>.” Scan the QR code to sign up.



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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.



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 31 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 to learn more.



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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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.**



SATURDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ROYAL OAK FIRST'S BOOTH AT "PRIDE ROYAL OAK"

Our Pride & Ally Group needs volunteers for our booth at "Pride Royal Oak" on Saturday, July 27 for our afternoon and evening shifts (3:00-5:00 p.m., 5:00-7:00 p.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m.). Please scan the QR code to sign up! If you have any questions, please email prideandally@rofum.org.



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Check out the Royal Oak First
CLOTHING STORE!



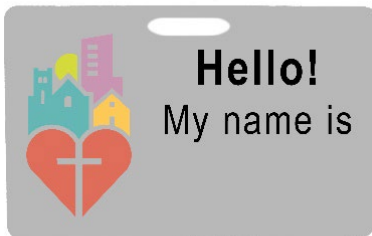
CHECK OUT THE ROYAL OAK FIRST CHURCH CLOTHING STORE!

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.



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.**



NAMETAGS PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP

Just a reminder that it is always good to wear your nametag to facilitate introductions and conversations on Sundays. All staff will be wearing their nametags as well. **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.**

PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

Prayers for Our Church Family:

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

Prayers for Our Extended Family:

The O'Mara 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:

The friends and family of Estelle Knoy on her death on July 17, 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,

This is a significant week at Royal Oak First. This Sunday we will begin our annual week-long Summer Choir Camp. For over six decades, Royal Oak First has created a week-long experience for children and youth to get away and experience Christian community. This year more than 70 students and over 20 adults will participate in this transformational week.

Choir Camp is just one of the ways we support our vision of being a multi-generational community of care and connection. This is one of those moments where this really happens. We know that by week's end, many students will have not only deepened their friendship with their peers, but we hope they will also have made a meaningful connection with an adult counselor or two. Over the years, we have seen the importance of having a few trusted adults, who are not your parents or primary caregivers, can have in a young person's life. This is just one of the many things that will happen at Choir Camp this week.

This past week I heard from a student who just finished his freshman year of college. This will be his first year not attending Choir Camp. He said, "I can't wait until I am old enough to come back as a counselor and give back what was given to me." So a big thank you to Pastor Jennifer Tripoli and Robin Richardson who, along with a very dedicated group of adult leaders, will help foster a Christian community of care and connection for our children and youth.

Please keep the camp, the counselors and all of the youth who will attend camp in your thoughts and prayers.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Jeff" with a simple smiley face drawn below the name.

Pastor Jeff Nelson