

Sunday

February  
2<sup>nd</sup>  
2025

11:00 am  
Worship



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Faith

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

<b>Prelude</b>	Bob Dylan Medley	Griffin Anspach
<b>Call to Worship</b>		Brian Semivan
<b>Opening Hymn #463**</b>	“Lord, Speak to Me”	
<b>Affirmation of Faith</b>		
<b>Response #64**</b>	“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” (verse 4)	
<b>Welcome &amp; Invitation to Mission</b>		Jeff Nelson & Jennifer Tripoli
<b>Time of Prayer</b>		
<b>Invitation to Offering</b>		
<b>Musical Offering</b>	“Table of Plenty” Dan Schutte, arr. Mark Hayes	Sanctus Choir
<b>Doxology #95**</b>	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
<b>Scripture Reading*</b>	Luke 4:21-30	
<b>Message</b>	“A Prophet in Our Midst”	Jeff Nelson
<b>Sacrament of Holy Communion</b>		
<b>Closing Hymn #529**</b>	“How Firm a Foundation”	
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	“The Times They Are A-Changin’”	Michael Rosas

*\*New Revised Standard Version  
\*\*United Methodist Hymnal  
\*\*\*The Faith We Sing*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## JOIN US TONIGHT FOR THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER VARIETY SHOW!

Join us on **Sunday, February 2** from **5:00-7:00 p.m.**, where the Music Guild will be putting on a Spaghetti Dinner Variety Show! Dinner is first at 5:00 p.m. (\$12 adult/\$8 kid with kids under 5 eating free, with tickets purchased at the door) and is followed by the show portion of the evening at 6:00 p.m. Proceeds will go toward kids going to summer camp.



## RBI PRODUCE COLLECTION

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 shopping volunteers for the upcoming months.** Scan the QR code to sign up.



## "SHARE THE LOVE" DRIVERS NEEDED!

Let's come together to spread kindness and connection! **On Saturday, February 8** we really need help to deliver **100 bags filled with treats and heartfelt notes to church members that we assembled that same day.** Together, we can make sure everyone feels remembered and connected. Scan the QR code to sign up and join us in sharing the love!



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## TRANSFORMATIVE RETREATS WITH PASTOR JEFF

Our retreats held **every third Saturday from 9:30-11:30 a.m.** are intentional spaces designed to cultivate a deeper relationship with the divine, offering you the opportunity to recharge your spirit and discover the profound peace that comes from being in God's presence. Scan the QR code to sign up for any or all of the retreats.



**\*\*February 15th: Faith and Fatherhood (FOR DADS)\*\***

**\*\*March 15th: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross\*\***

**\*\*April 19th: Listening for God's Resurrecting Voice\*\***

**\*\*May 17th: A Morning with the Mystics\*\***

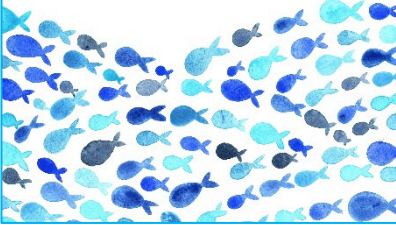


## SAVE THE DATE FOR BASEBALL NIGHT AT ROYAL OAK FIRST

Baseball is coming to Royal Oak First on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>! We will be hosting a family fun night revolving around baseball. There will be a special broadcast personality who will engage us with baseball stories on and off the field. We will start with a tailgate party and then a lively program with music and skits, our broadcast personality and ending with fireworks! Michael Rosas, the church's Worship & Music Director will be pumping the stadium organ and there will be giveaway prizes as well. Sign up is coming soon, so set the evening aside on your calendar and plan to bring family and friends!

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## FISH DINNERS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



## WHY SHOULD YOU VOLUNTEER AT FISH DINNERS?

These dinners are a beloved tradition, drawing in many from the surrounding area and offering a welcoming space for connection. For those already part of the church, it's a chance to come together, build friendships, and contribute to a greater cause. Through the generosity of those who volunteer, the funds raised from the dinners help provide scholarships that ensure our youth can attend summer camp, fostering growth, learning, and faith in the next generation. Volunteering for the Fish Dinners at Royal Oak First is more than just taking tickets, preparing/serving a meal or cleaning up after that meal. **It's an opportunity to make a lasting impact on the community. It's about building a strong, supportive community that uplifts and invests in everyone, now and in the future.** Please scan the QR code to sign up for one or all of the fish dinners on **Fridays, February 21, March 7 & 21 & April 4, 4:30-7:00 p.m.** Note: Kids that volunteer get credit towards their camp costs!



## WOMEN'S RETREAT-FEB. 28 TO MARCH 2

Hey Ladies! Are you looking for a 38-hour getaway that's close to home? A chance to relax, laugh, and make connections with other women at church? If so, join us for the women's retreat where we will explore how we've experienced God and consider where God might meet us. There will be time for reflection, games, laughter, nature, and naps. Only two to a room, so grab a friend and register today. Scan the QR code to sign up.



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## Toilet Paper Collection



## TOILET PAPER COLLECTION

Toilet paper is one of the most frequently requested items our Outreach on 7th volunteers are asked for. Both the Essentials Pantry visitors and our daily lunch guests will ask if we have any extra rolls to spare. The next time you roll into church, please bring in a package to share. We are hoping to collect 1000+ rolls which will allow us to fully stock our supply and share with our partners at Redford Brightmoor Initiative. This Missions Team collection will continue through the end of February.



**Don't Miss Our  
Fish Dinners!**

## SAVE THE DATES FOR FISH DINNERS!

**Fridays, February 21, March 7 & 21 & April 4, 4:30-7:00 p.m.**

Our famous fish dinners are coming soon, so bring your family and friends and join us for four wonderful nights of food and fellowship. Our fish dinners benefit our children and youth where proceeds are used to send them to choir camp.

# PRAYERS & CELEBRATIONS

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

Landon & Sawyer Cattran • Tim Murphy • Mary Lou Graeber • Grace Perkins •  
Joe & Inge Wichers • Ann Cline • Bernice Sayers • Laci Basel •  
Jan Matsumoto • Lee Hoffmann • Lily Faunt • Lisa Rye • Diana Shornak •

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

Karen Cunningham • Michael Retaskie • David Wiker • Jeff Callihan •  
Lance Wilburn • Ellen Delangy • Jackson Parshall • Carol Marshall •  
Melissa McMahon • Brighton Assembly of God Church • Basil Hawai •  
Ken Schmitz • Val Globish • Missy Winter • Renee Rahim •  
Barbara Witherspoon • Meghin Russell • John Morris • Bernie Stubitsch •  
Mike Elliott • Deana Sawicki •

## **Sympathies to:**

The McKarge family on the death of Renee's father, George on January 30, 2025

The Wells family on the death of Todd's mother, Shirley on January 30, 2025

The Roman family on the death of Michael Roman on January 23, 2025

*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 Beloved Community,

As we prepare our hearts for the sacred season of Lent, it's that time of year again! Yes, that's right! The long-standing tradition of our Lenten Fish Dinners is just around the corner, and I need your help!

Lent is just about a month away, and our first Fish Dinner will be on February 21st, followed by our culinary delights on March 7th, March 21st, and April 4th. Four glorious chances to serve, connect, and taste the love of Christ in every crispy bite!

Now, before you think, "I'm just one person; what can I do?" Let me tell you, there's a place for everyone to lend a hand! Whether you are a master chef in the kitchen, a charming waiter ready to serve tables, a dishwashing dynamo, or even a ticket-selling superstar, we need you! Yes, you!

Why should you join us, you ask? Well, let me give you three very good reasons:

1. **\*\*Hospitality at its Finest\*\***: Each year, we welcome over 1,000 friends, neighbors, and even those who might just be wandering by. They come to experience our love, hospitality, and care—it's a glimpse of who we are and what we stand for as a community. It's not just about the fish, my friends; it's about creating a space where Christ's love can be felt in every interaction.
2. **\*\*Building Connections\*\***: Serving side by side with our church friends and community is not just a task; it's an opportunity to build deeper connections with one another. Whether you're sharing a laugh while flipping fish or bonding over the last slice of pie, these moments strengthen our ties and remind us that we are all part of something bigger.
3. **\*\*Support for Our Youth\*\***: The proceeds from the Fish Dinners go to support our children, youth, and family ministries. Your efforts help provide scholarships to Choir Camp, where our kids not only grow in their relationship with God but also learn the joy of community and friendship. It's a win-win, folks!

So, are you ready to dive in? Don't let this opportunity swim away! You can sign up right here by scanning the QR code below or dropping by the Connections Table in the Gathering Space.

Let's come together to make these Fish Dinners a splash of love and service. Remember, Lent is about reflection, growth, and connection—and what better way to embody that than through the ministry of our Fish Dinners? I can't wait to see how God will work through each of us during this special season.

Grace and Peace,



Pastor Jeff Nelson

