

Sept 10 Creation/Fall.....	<b>Shame</b>	Nov 12 Choosing to Love .....	<b>Choose</b>
Sept 17 Isaac Born to Sarah .....	<b>Laughter</b>	Nov 19 Isaiah's Vineyard Song .....	<b>Love</b>
Sept 24 Jacob Wrestles God .....	<b>Struggle</b>	Nov 26 Christ the King .....	<b>King</b>
Oct 1 Embracing God's Call .....	<b>Called</b>	Dec 3 Hanging of the Greens .....	<b>Apocalypse</b>
Oct 8 Ten Commandments .....	<b>Listen</b>	Dec 10 Home is Coming .....	<b>Time</b>
Oct 15 Ruth .....	<b>Redeemer</b>	Dec 17 Home is Here .....	<b>Rejoice</b>
Oct 22 Shepherd King .....	<b>Shepherd</b>	Dec 24 Jesus is Home .....	<b>Pointing</b>
Oct 29 Kingdom Divided .....	<b>Blinders</b>	Dec 31 New Wineskins .....	Bursting
Nov 5 All Saints' Day .....	<b>Fire</b>	Jan 7 Baptism of the Lord .....	_____

## Help Make Music Ministry Happen!

Join the choir, volunteer for events, or help financially. Talk with Kristen Marian about music opportunities and upcoming events. If you'd like to donate toward the Music Fund, please visit <https://mafairumc.org/give> and click the Donate button on the "Music Fund" tile for more information.

### Serving This Morning

Pastor.....	Steven Spell
Pianist/Organist.....	Ray Johnson
Guitarist .....	Bill Marsh
Lay Lector .....	Elle Weatherall
Ushers.....	Jason Robinette and John Tolleson
Kids' Moments.....	Steven Spell
Tech Booth.....	John Gardner
Sunday School Nursery.....	Piper Benton and Nadine McMackin
Worship Hour Nursery.....	Piper Benton and Carolyn Slaughter
Kids' Church .....	Jill Davenport and Cindy Brumit
Receiving Treasurers .....	Amanda Hobbs and Deb Gardner

*Interested in serving in one of these ministries? See Ray or Pastor Adam*

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**Sunday, January 7, 2024 · 11:00am**  
**Baptism of the Lord Sunday**

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship	Elle Weatherall
Prelude	"Living Water" Destiny Stover
* Responsive Psalter Reading	Psalm 29
* Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father" UMH 70
* Opening Song	"Who You Say I Am"
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon	Steven Spell
Passing the Peace and Threefold Amen	
Offertory Anthem	"Who I Am" Youth Ensemble
* Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95
* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication	Steven Spell
Kids' Moments	Steven Spell
* Gospel Reading	Mark 2:1-22
Sermon	Steven Spell
Special Music	"Come to the Water" Ray Johnson, organ
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer	
Remembering Your Baptism	UMH 50
* Closing Song	"How Great is Our God"
* Benediction	
* Postlude	"I Would Crawl All the Way (to the River)" Ray Johnson, piano

## Welcome to Mafair!

**Parents with children**, we have a nursery downstairs (infants to age 3 in Room B03) and some creative items are located at the entrance to the sanctuary for those kids who remain in the worship service.

**During Kids' Moments**, all children are invited to the front of the sanctuary for a special message. After Kids' Moments on Sundays when Kids' Church is offered, kids ages 3-7 years may go with our leaders to Kids' Church (Lower Elementary classroom B07 downstairs) for Bible lessons. Parents may pick up their children at the end of the service.

## Mafair Linen Closet

Our Outreach Team has a new ministry—Dollie's Book Nook is now Dollie's Book Nook and the Mafair Linen Closet. Gloria Friedrichs had the idea after learning that towels and bedsheets are highly sought after by those in need at secondhand stores and charities. If you have new or gently used towels and sheet sets, please bring them to the church library (Room 102) and set them on the tables. As for the books in Dollie's Book Nook, as the signs have said for a long time, please help yourself to whatever you wish. We'll give time for people to collect what they want and then some of the books will be donated to the Kingsport Library Book Fair. The reference and curriculum books will be retained on the shelves to the left as you enter. Once we have the space organized, we'll let local charities know we're available to donate needed items, and our volunteers will come in when needed to sort and distribute.

## Care Portal

Phyllis Charles is our new Care Portal coordinator. Care Portal connects churches with local schools and agencies helping families find what they need in dire circumstances. Lately we were able to coordinate a bedroom set for a child in need. The concept is simple—when Phyllis sees a request that she thinks we can meet, she'll post the need. As a church or individuals in our church, we'll respond to her request. When/if she collects everything we need, she'll arrange for delivery. It's a simple and straightforward way to be in ministry and make connections in our community.

## This Week at Mafair

**B**— Basement    **1**— First Floor    **2**— Second Floor    **FH** Fellowship Hall    **TPC** The Prospect Center

### Sunday

9:00am Staff Devotions · Sanctuary  
9:45am Sunday School  
10:40am Chancel Choir warmup · 105  
11:00am Worship · Sanctuary  
2:00pm AA · TPC  
7:00pm AA · TPC

### Monday

8:00am Men's Breakfast · Perkins  
2:00pm AA · TPC  
5:30pm AA · TPC

### Tuesday

8:00am Morning Hope B'fast · TPC  
1:00pm Worship Planning · B08  
2:00pm AA · TPC  
7:00pm NA · TPC

### Wednesday

2:00pm AA · TPC  
6:30pm Women's AA · TPC

### Thursday

12:00pm NA · TPC  
2:00pm AA · TPC  
6:00pm Girl Scout Svc Unit Mtg · FH

### Friday

Office Closed  
2:00pm AA · TPC  
8:30pm DAA · TPC

### Saturday

2:00pm AA · TPC  
7:00pm NA · TPC

## Prayer Concerns

We extend our Christian sympathy to Cheryl Miller on the death of her father, Harry Cuskey. Please keep Cheryl, her girls, and the extended family in your prayers.

Chris Probst; Linda DeBord; Ruby Dishner; Doris Cox; Warren Larson; Lari Beasley (Lorla Boswell's daughter); Gloria Carlisle; Winston Rawlston; Jay and Sage Turner (Ken & Doris Alfrey's son-in-law and grandson); Nat Ellis (Susie Weatherall's stepfather); Susie Weatherall's neighbor Roger; Ann Keith; Kristen Marian.