

Book Nook / Linen Closet

Don't forget to come to the church library and take home any book that you wish to keep. We will soon begin to box up the books that we will donate to the Kingsport Library book sale. We will keep the reference section on the left wall as you enter but other books will be relocated or donated.

Save your linens. We will begin to organize and shelve the donated linens as soon as the books are removed from Dollie's Book Nook. Our target date is March 13 for book removal and soon thereafter to open the Linen Closet for "business." Spring will be the perfect time to take a look at your linen closet and think of this new church project.

Women's Retreat

Ladies... it's back! Our long overdue Women's Retreat will take place April 12-14 at Holston Camp and Retreat Center in Banner Elk, NC. Our speaker, Kara Wilson will lead us through a perspective of God's timing in our lives, focusing on Ecclesiastes 3. Registration forms will be available very soon.

Serving This Morning

Pastor	Adam Love
Choir Director	Kristen Marian
Pianist	Glenda Gray
Organist	Ray Johnson
Lay Lector	Jill Davenport
Ushers	Peggy Helton and John Thompson
Kids' Moments	Leslie Tatum
Tech Booth	John Gardner
Sunday School Nursery	Piper Benton and Lisa Summar
Worship Hour Nursery	Piper Benton and Bobbi Love
Kids' Church	Bobbi Love and Cindy Brumit
Receiving Treasurers	Steve Brumit and Bo Tatum

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

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Sunday, February 11, 2024 · 11:00am
True Religion

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship	Jill Davenport
Prelude "In the Name of the Lord" Medley	Glenda Gray, piano
* Responsive Psalter Reading	Psalms 27
* Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father" UMH 70
* Hymn	"Shout to the Lord" TFWS 2074
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon	Adam Love
* Passing the Peace and Threefold Amen	
Offertory Anthem "All the Way"	Chancel Choir
* Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94
* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication	Adam Love
Kids' Moments	Leslie Tatum
Song for Illumination	"Open Our Eyes" TFWS 2086
* Gospel Reading	Mark 8:27-9:8
Sermon	Adam Love
Special Music "I Can Only Imagine"	Glenda Gray, piano
Intercessory Prayer and the Lord's Prayer	
* Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed UMH 881
* Hymn	"Shine, Jesus, Shine" TFWS 2173
* Benediction	
* Postlude "Celebrate Love"	Glenda Gray, piano Ray Johnson, organ

Did you miss the Twelfth Night Celebration Cantata? A video recording is available on the church website at <https://mafairumc.org/music>

Mafair's Church Leadership Council has voted to implement the Stephen Ministry system of lay caregiving that's being used in over 13,000 congregations worldwide.



To get this ministry up and running, we need congregation members who are willing to answer Jesus' call to be trained as lay caregivers, called **Stephen Ministers**. This distinctively Christian training includes a variety of topics such as listening, assertiveness, maintaining boundaries in caregiving, and grief, focusing on how to provide care while God cures.

When our new Stephen Ministers have completed their training, they will be commissioned and ready to begin their ministry. Working under supervision, these Stephen Ministers will be available to meet weekly with people experiencing grief, illness, job loss, divorce, relocation, and other life difficulties.

Stephen Ministers commit to at least two years for training, service, and regular supervision. Many of them enjoy their ministry so much that they choose to serve beyond the two years.

Being a Stephen Minister may be one of the most fulfilling and transformative ministries you will ever be a part of. You will grow spiritually and gain skills to use not only in your caring ministry but also in your everyday relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers.

Our next training class begins April 11 and runs through August 29, so I invite you to think and pray about this opportunity. If you're interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, contact me, and we can talk about how you can get started.

I am excited to see what God will do in the lives of those who join this ministry and those who will receive much-needed care.

Paul McRoy
Stephen Leader

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.

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 · B05
11:00am Worship · Sanctuary
2:00pm AA · TPC
7:00pm AA · TPC

Monday

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

Tuesday

8:00am Morning Hope Breakfast · TPC
2:00pm AA · TPC
2:30pm Worship Planning · 201
4:00pm Staff · 201
6:00pm Finance/SPRC/Trustees · FH
7:00pm NA · TPC

Wednesday

2:00pm AA · TPC
6:30pm Women's AA · TPC
7:00pm Ash Wednesday Svc · Sanct

Thursday

12:00pm NA · TPC
2:00pm AA · TPC
2:00pm Women's Bible Study · 204

Friday

Office Closed
2:00pm AA · TPC
6:30pm Parents' Night Out · FH
8:30pm DAA · TPC

Saturday

2:00pm AA · TPC
7:00pm NA · TPC

Ash Wednesday Service

Join us in the sanctuary for our Ash Wednesday service **this Wednesday at 7:00pm**. Ash Wednesday emphasizes two things: we confront our own mortality (death) and confess our sin before God within the community of the church. The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Jewish and Christian worship. The imposition of ashes is a powerful yet silent way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation.

All other regularly scheduled Wednesday activities are canceled this week.

Prayer Concerns

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; Dan & Salena Robinette (Jason Robinette's uncle and aunt).