

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 are available outside the church office.

Serving This Morning

Pastor	Adam Love
Choir Director	Kristen Marian
Pianist	Glenda Gray
Organist	Ray Johnson
Lay Lector	Greg Wellman
Ushers	Peggy Helton and Jessica Slaughter
Kids' Moments	Greg Wellman
Tech Booth	Carol Stout
Sunday School Nursery	Piper Benton and Lisa Summar
Worship Hour Nursery	Piper Benton and Bobbi Love
Kids' Church	Cindy Brumit
Receiving Treasurers	Michele McRoy and John Gardner

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

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Sunday, February 25, 2024 · 11:00am The Embarrassment of Desperation

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship	Greg Wellman
Prelude	"Be Thou My Vision" Glenda Gray, piano
* Responsive Psalter Reading	Psalm 34:11-14
* Gloria Patri	"Glory Be to the Father" UMH 70
* Hymn	"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" UMH 399
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon	Adam Love
* Passing the Peace and Threefold Amen	
Offertory Anthem	"Hope of the World" Chancel Choir
* Doxology	"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95
* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication	Adam Love
Kids' Moments	Greg Wellman
Song for Illumination	"Open Our Eyes" TFWS 2086
* Gospel Reading	Mark 10:32-52
Sermon	Adam Love
Special Music	"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord" Glenda Gray, piano
Intercessory Prayer and the Lord's Prayer	
* Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed UMH 881
* Hymn	"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" UMH 348
* Benediction	
* Postlude	"The Lily of the Valley" Glenda Gray, piano Ray Jonson, organ

Join us in the sanctuary tonight at 5:00 for the second session of "Thinking Faithfully Together: Preparing for General Conference 2024." If you missed the first session, it is available on our YouTube channel at youtube.com/@mafair

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.

If you'd like to learn more about Mafair, please fill out one of the green sheets in the pew rack and put it in the offering plate during the offertory anthem.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund was established to enable the pastor to have access to money to be used for needs that are not typically funded from other sources and that seem to arise quickly. For example, the pastor may learn of a need to assist someone with a medical, utility, or rent bill. Sometimes these needs arise within the congregation, or they may just be a person or family in the community that needs a little short-term assistance. Most of the money given from the discretionary fund helps people within three miles of Mafair. All of it is used to help people within the greater Kingsport area. When Pastor Adam learns of these needs, he can quickly make a decision to use a small amount of money from the fund to meet a critical need without holding a meeting or obtaining a committee decision to address the issue. At the end of January 2024, the balance in the Discretionary Fund was \$2,178.46. Contact Adam if you have questions about this fund or want more information about how the money is used to meet the needs in the community. Your donations to this fund will help Mafair reach further into the community to help those who are struggling.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Salad and Chef's Pizza

Adults/Teens: \$8 each, Kids: \$6 each, Family maximum: \$22.
Make your reservation: mafairumc.org/wnd, call 423-378-9620, or scan the QR code. Reservation deadline is Tuesday at noon.



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
5:00pm Thinking Faithfully Together · Sanctuary
7:00pm AA · TPC

Monday

8:00am Men's Breakfast · Perkins
1:00pm UMW Officers · 104
2:00pm AA · TPC
6:00pm Cub Scouts · FH

Tuesday

8:00am Morning Hope Breakfast · TPC
2:00pm AA · TPC
2:30pm Worship Planning · 201
4:00pm Staff Meeting · 201
7:00pm NA · TPC

Wednesday

2:00pm AA · TPC
5:30pm Dinner · FH
5:30pm Youth Ensemble · Sanctuary
6:00pm Kids' Choir · B05
6:15pm Youth · 205
6:30pm Bible Study · FH
6:30pm Women's AA · TPC
6:45pm Kids SPLASH · B08
7:30pm Chancel Choir · Sanctuary

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Saturday

2:00pm AA · TPC
7:00pm NA · TPC

Online Church Directory

Active Mafair members who would like access to the online church directory and their family's giving statements can email Ray at info@mafairumc.org for more information.

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