

CarePortal

CarePortal is an online platform that connects local churches and communities with children and families in crisis by linking them to urgent needs in real-time. It acts as a technology bridge for social workers and other professionals to submit requests for things like food, housing, or medical care, which are then distributed to a network of local responders to provide direct support and prevent children from entering the foster care system. Visit the CarePortal page on our church website <https://mafairumc.org/careportal> for more information.

Jeans Ministry

Mafair is partnering with St. Matthew and Emory to collect jeans to be given to children and youth throughout the year. If you have any gently worn or new jeans that you would like to donate, please drop them off in the labeled container in the Linen Closet on the main floor. Questions? See Kimberly Wellman.

Hygiene Products Collection

For the weeks leading up to Christmas we will be collecting hygiene products for men and women. Many of us have samples of shampoo and lotions sitting in our bathrooms. Some of us have shampoos and conditioners that we do not want or need. Deodorants, hand lotions, powders, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and other products that you may have in your bathrooms will be greatly appreciated by others. There will be a tub outside the office for one month. This has two benefits: cleans your shelves and makes it like Christmas for others.

Blankets for Cold Weather

We have extra room in the Linen Closet and will collect blankets for one month and deliver them to Shades of Grace. If you have any unused blankets in your home bring them to us, clean and folded, and we will deliver them.

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Sunday, December 14, 2025 · 11:00am
Third Sunday of Advent

Welcome, Announcements, and Call to Worship	Gloria Friedrichs
Prelude	"Mary, Did You Know" David Alley
Advent Candle Lighting	
Response	"Advent Song" TFWS 2090
* Hymn	"Away in a Manger" UMH 217
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon	
Passing the Peace and Threefold Amen	
Mission Moment	Mary Watterson
Offertory Anthem	"Everywhere I Go" Chancel Choir
* Doxology	"Advent Doxology"
* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication	
Kids' Moments	Cheryl Miller
Song for Illumination	"Come, Emmanuel"
* Scripture Reading	Luke 1:47-55
Sermon	"He Has Given Me Joy" Tim Robinson
Contemplative Moment	"That Beautiful Name" Glenda Gray
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer	
* Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed UMH 881
* Hymn	"Joy to the World" UMH 246
* Benediction	
* Postlude	"Joy to the World" Glenda Gray, piano

Welcome to Worship!

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.

Hearing assisted devices are available in the narthex. Ask an usher for help.

Young At Heart Christmas Luncheon

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at noon **this Thursday, December 18**, for our **Young At Heart Christmas Luncheon**. The signup is sheet outside the office.

Upcoming Special Services

Sunday, December 21 · 7:00pm · **Longest Night Service**
Wednesday, December 24 · 8:00pm · **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**
Nursery care will be provided for each service.

Deadline for 2025 Donations

Sunday, December 28, is the deadline for 2025 contributions. Any contributions received after noon that Sunday will be put toward 2026. The church office will be closed starting on Christmas Eve, reopening on Monday, January 5.

Are you, or is someone you know, going through a time of crisis or challenge? The care of a Stephen Minister may be exactly what's needed to help bring Christ's healing. If you have any questions about our Stephen Ministry, talk with Pastor Tim or our Stephen Leader, Ray Johnson. Consider whether you know of someone who needs their care, and offer to connect them to this ministry.



This Week at Mafair

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

Sunday

8:30am Staff Meeting · 104
9:30am AA · TPC
9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Chancel Choir warmup · 105
11:00am Worship · Sanctuary
2:00pm AA · TPC
4:00pm Al-Anon · TPC
7:00pm AA · TPC

5:30pm Dinner · Fellowship Hall
6:15pm 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 Choir Rehearsal · Sanctuary

Monday

1:30pm UWif Circle · 104
2:00pm AA · TPC
6:00pm Recovery Resources · TPC

Thursday

12:00pm Young At Heart Lunch · FH
12:00pm NA · TPC
2:00pm AA · TPC

Tuesday

8:00am Morning Hope Breakfast · TPC
2:00pm AA · TPC
7:00pm NA · TPC

Friday

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

Wednesday

2:00pm AA · TPC
3:30pm Worship Planning · 107

Saturday

10:00am Kids' Christmas Party · FH
2:00pm AA · TPC
7:00pm NA · TPC

Prayer Concerns

Linda DeBord; Doris Cox; Warren Larson; Ann Keith; Nellie Stover; Amy Reedy; Dannie Flanary; Joyce Weldon; Jacques Weldon (Joyce Weldon's nephew); Philip Weldon (Joyce Weldon's brother); Kristy Bright (Jackie Tranbarger's daughter); Phyllis Charles; Susan Flanary; Amanda Flanary; Randy Smith; Pauline Smith; Roni Acuff; Mike Hartwyk (Bobbie Carico's nephew); Jackie Beatty and Shonn Carter (Deric Beatty's sister and niece); Billy Reeves (Jackson Coleman's grandfather).

To add a name to the prayer concerns list, please fill out a green sheet in the pew racks or contact Ray in the church office.