

Welcome and Announcements Betty Crawford

Prelude “God of Grace and God of Glory”
Glenda Gray, piano; Ray Johnson, organ

* Responsive Reading Psalm 31:1-2

* Gloria Patri “Glory Be to the Father” UMH 70

* Hymn “As the Deer” TFWS 2025

Offertory “Goodness of God”
Chancel Choir

* Doxology UMH 95

* Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Kids’ Moments Emma Slaughter

Song for Illumination “Give Me Jesus”

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 2:2-10

Sermon “Created to Crave”
Tim Robinson

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Passing the Peace and Threefold Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

Lord’s Prayer

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

* Hymn “The Church’s One Foundation” UMH 545

* Benediction

* Postlude “Since Jesus Came into My Heart”
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UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal* · TFWS: *The Faith We Sing*
* Congregation standing as able · CCLI License #1188815

Wednesday Night Activities

Wednesday night dinner this week will be Dot’s famous meatloaf, mashed potatoes, and green beans. Pastor Tim is continuing his Bible study on the Holy Spirit. Make plans to join us and bring a friend! The last week for Wednesday Night Dinner for the spring semester will be May 13.

Office Closing

The church office will be closed on Thursday, May 7, and will reopen on Monday, May 10.

Youth Sunday

Make plans to join us next week as our youth lead us in worship on Youth Sunday!

Calling All Graduates

If you are graduating from high school, college, or university this spring, we want to celebrate you! Please write a brief bio telling us where you're graduating from, the diploma or degree that you'll earn, and your future plans. Send the bio and a photo to Ray Johnson at rjohnson@mafairumc.org for publication in an upcoming *eNews*.

Scholarship Applications

Applications for the McConnell & Clayman Endowment Scholarship Grants are available on the church website. Application deadline is June 30.

Prayer Concerns

Linda DeBord; Doris Cox; Warren Larson; Ann Keith; Nellie Stover; Amy Reedy; Joyce Weldon; Jacques Weldon (Joyce Weldon's nephew); Philip Weldon (Joyce Weldon's brother); Phyllis Charles; Susan Flanary; Amanda Flanary; Randy Smith; Pauline Smith; Roni Acuff; Mike Hartwyk (Bobbie Carico's nephew); Billy Reeves (Jackson Coleman's grandfather); James Bowden (Helen Alley's father); John W. & Kellie with family; Kyle Mustard (Annie Coleman's grandfather); J.C. Qualls (Jason Robinette's brother-in-law); Dunna Jordan; Elizabeth Wicht (James Wicht's sister); Anna Raimondi.

If you would like to be added to the Prayer Warriors list and receive an email when prayer requests come in, please email Ray at rjohnson@mafairumc.org.

You are also welcome to join the Intercessory Prayer Group that meets in the Parlor (Room 104) on Tuesdays at 10:30am.

When we pray for others, we are redirecting our attention away from our own anxieties and toward the real needs of people and situations we cannot control. It trains us to see the world more truthfully, to acknowledge suffering without rushing to fix it, and to place responsibility where it belongs: in trust that God is actively engaged. At the same time, intercessory prayer changes the one who prays. It exposes our assumptions about who is worthy of care and how outcomes “should” unfold. Praying for someone over time reshapes our posture toward them, softening judgment and sharpening compassion. Intercession binds us to others in a way that cannot be dismissed once the prayer ends. Intercessory prayer is less about influencing God’s attention and more about aligning ourselves with God’s concern for the world.

This week at Mafair

Rooms: FH Fellowship Hall TPC The Prospect Center
B01-B09 Basement 101-109 First Floor 201-209 Second Floor

Sunday

8:30am Staff Meeting · 104
9:45am Sunday School
10:30am Chancel Choir warmup · 105
11:00am Worship · Sanctuary

Monday

6:00pm Missions Committee · 107

Tuesday

8:00am Morning Hope Breakfast · TPC
10:30am Intercessory Prayer Group · 104

Wednesday

3:30pm Worship Planning · 103
5:30pm Dinner · FH
6:15pm Kids' Choir · B05
6:15pm Youth · 205
6:30pm Bible Study · FH
6:45pm Kids' SPLASH · B08
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal · Sanctuary

Thursday & Friday

Office closed

The regular schedule for the meetings at the Prospect Center will resume on Tuesday.

Twelve Step Groups at the Prospect Center

These are all open meetings and for men and women unless otherwise specified.

Alcoholics Anonymous 9:30am Sun & Sat
Alcoholics Anonymous 2:00pm every day
Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm Sun
Alcoholics Anonymous 9:30am & 7:00pm Sun
Alcoholics Anonymous (Women)..... 6:30pm Wed
Al-Anon 4:00pm Sun & 4:30pm Thu
Drug Addicts Anonymous Noon Sun & 8:30pm Fri
Narcotics Anonymous 12:00pm Thu & 7:00pm Sat

Welcome to Worship!

We're glad you're here. If you'd like to learn more about Mafair, please fill out a green information sheet from the pew rack.

Worshipping with children? You're welcome to keep them with you or use our nursery for infants through age 3. We also have quiet activities available at the sanctuary entrance.

Children are invited to the front for a brief message, followed by Kids' Church.

Nursery: Infants through age 3, located downstairs in Room B03.

Kids' Church: For children ages 3–7, held downstairs in the Lower Elementary classroom (Room B07). At the end of the service, parents pick up their children from Kids' Church.

Hearing Assistance: Hearing-assisted devices are available at the sanctuary entrance. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Mafair Staff

Pastor Tim Robinson
Director of Student Ministries Annie Coleman
Director of Children's Ministries Susan Jenkins
Nursery Attendant Piper Benton
Music Director Christina Brennan
Pianist Glenda Gray
Operations Manager Ray Johnson

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026



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