

June 28, 2026
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

EVERY GOOD AND
PERFECT GIFT
IS FROM ABOVE

JAMES 1:17



GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH

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Maxwell Methodist Church
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Pastor: Robert Bacon; Lay Speaker: Carol Bacon
Pianist: Deb Mitchell

***Please stand if able**

Prelude. Deb Mitchell

Welcome/Announcements

We are led in Worship

Praise Team

We Worship as We Gather

***Call to Worship**

Leader: When I think of God’s presence in the world, I am grateful.

People: **Grateful for the presence of hope; grateful for the gift of life.**

Leader: And when I think of God’s presence in my life, I am humbled.

People: **Humbled by the gift of grace;
humbled by the invitation to begin again.**

Leader: And when I think of God’s presence in this community, I am glad;

People: **Glad to be surrounded by the holy people worshipping our Holy God.**

All: **Thank you all; thank you, God.**

We Worship in Singing

Hymn. “Let All the People Praise Thee”. Hymnal #77

We Worship in Prayer

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer

We Worship in Giving

Offering plates are at both doors as you enter or leave and will not be passed.

***Doxology / *Offertory Prayer**

We Worship in Song

Hymn. “Speak, O Lord”. Hymnal #432

We Worship by Hearing the Word

James 1:9-21 (NIV)

⁹ Believers in humble circumstances ought to take pride in their high position. ¹⁰ But the rich should take pride in their humiliation—since they will pass away like a wild flower. ¹¹ For the sun rises with scorching heat and withers the plant; its blossom falls and its beauty is destroyed. In the same way, the rich will fade away even while they go about their business.

¹² Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.

¹³ When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; ¹⁴ but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. ¹⁵ Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.

¹⁶ Don’t be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of all he created.

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

We Worship in Learning the Word

Sermon. “Making our Faith Grow” Pastor Rob Bacon

We Worship in Song

*Hymn. “Search Me, O God” Hymnal #325

*Benediction

Postlude. Deb Mitchell



Announcements

- **Pastor's Office Hours** : By appointment. Rob 515-460-8885; Carol 515-460-8969
- **Bulletin Announcements**: Please forward bulletin announcements to office@maxwellmc.org by Wednesday.
- **Fellowship Sign-up**: Please sign up to bring refreshments for fellowship

Stanley Cairns is undergoing stem cell therapy at the University of Iowa Hospital. His home address is:

2101 NW Woodland Drive
Ankeny, IA 50023-5443

Pastor Jerry and Wanda have moved: Their new address is:

6307 NE Harvest Ridge Lane
Ankeny, IA 50021

Congratulations to Pastor Rob. At the Upper Midwest Conference June 19-21, 2026, Rob was granted Sacramental Authority.

Coloring page for today is on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

