

Upcoming Events

Sunday, February 8

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall
10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
2:00 p.m. Parish Choir Practice – MS

Monday, February 9

5:30 p.m. Church Council – FH

Tuesday, February 10

9:00 a.m. Church Staff Meeting – KC

Wednesday, February 11

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – FH
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Community Assistance – Rh H
5:30 p.m. Koinonia Valentine's Social – Blacksmith

Thursday, February 12

9:30 a.m. Pre-School Character Classes – Chapel

Sunday, February 15

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall
10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

FH – Fellowship Hall
S.S. Hall – Sunday School Hall
Rh H – Rhea House
KC – Koinonia Classroom
MS – Music Suite
EW – Education Wing
RH – Rawles Hall

Tithes and offerings...

The mission and ministry of Dyersburg FUMC is now more vital than ever. Although you can bring your offerings with you to church on Sunday, you can also mail them or give online. Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 452, Dyersburg, TN 38025, online @ <https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate>, or scan the following QR code with your phone.



Assisting in Worship...

The Reverend Steven Lefebvre
Pastor

Baird Lewis
Liturgist

Thomlin Lefebvre
Crossbearer

Miller Baker
Avery Peckenpaugh
Acolytes

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Director of Music

Tori Armstrong
Director of Children's Ministry

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Visuals

Steve Guttery
Sound



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 8, 2026

✠ Please rise in body or in spirit.
Bold words are spoken responsively.

THE GATHERING

Prelude

The Chimes

Welcome

✠ Call to Worship *Psalm 112:1-6*
Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments.
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.
They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.
It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.
For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.
Amen. Let us worship God!

✠ Processional & Hymn of Praise
UMH 139 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* *LOBE DEN HERREN*
(vv. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

✠ Opening Prayer
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebration of Young Disciples

Children ages Birth through 2nd grade may join Mrs. Tori and Mrs. Todameka in the back of the sanctuary for Children’s Church.

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music *Mighty to Save* MIGHTY TO SAVE

✠ Doxology
UMH 94 ***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; OLD 100TH
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 2:1-16 NSRV

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷But we speak God’s wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him” – ¹⁰God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So, also, no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny. ¹⁶For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

Response to the Word
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

✠ Hymn of Preparation *Seek Ye First* SEEK YE
UMH 405 (vv. 1, 2)

✠ Gospel Reading Matthew 5:13-20 NRSV
¹³“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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Sermon *This Little Light of Mine*

✠ Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed
Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now reverently and sincerely declare:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

✠ Gloria Patri *Glory Be to the Father* MEINEKE
UMH 70
***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen. Amen.***

Pastoral Prayer
Invitation: Lord, in your mercy,
Response: **hear our prayer.**

The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

✠ Sending Hymn *Lead On, O King Eternal* LANCASHIRE
UMH 580 (vv. 1, 2, 3)

✠ Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

✠ Announcements

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude

Ordinary Time

As we move deeper into the season after Epiphany, we continue to explore the glory God reveals among us.

We are also now firmly in that small corridor of Ordinary Time that bridges between Christmas and Lent. The beauty of Ordinary Time, whether the few weeks at the beginning of the calendar year or the long months through the summer and fall, is that it opens space for us to focus on how to live the substance of our faith in the day-to-day moments and happenings of our lives.

Friend, you have come to this Church; leave it not without a prayer. No one entering a house ignores the one who dwells in it.

This is The House of God, and God is here.

Pray then to God, who loves you and bids you welcome and awaits your greeting.

Give thanks for those in the past ages who built this place to God’s glory and for us today as we strive to preserve a great heritage.

Praise God for the gift of beauty around us in this place.

Ask that we who live may continue the spiritual fabric of this place in truth, beauty and goodness so that, as we draw near to the Father through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we may be closer to each other as well.