

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 12

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall
10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
1:00 p.m. KidMin Return from Retreat
2:00 p.m. Parish Choir Practice – MS

Wednesday, April 15

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

Thursday, April 26

9:00 a.m. Preschool Chapel – Chapel

Saturday, April 28

9:00 a.m. Thriving Caregivers – FH

Sunday, April 29

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
4:00 p.m. Blankets – EW
4:00 p.m. Fuel for the Soul – RH

FH – Fellowship Hall
S.S. Hall – Sunday School Hall
Rh H – Rhea House
MS – Music Suite
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.



We welcome a new baby.

The rose on the Chancel is to honor Charles "Charlie" Walter Lane. He is the son of Anna Claire and Miller Lane and he was born on April 5, 2026.

Assisting in Worship...

The Reverend Steve Lefebvre
Pastor

Gay Carole Wagner
Liturgist

Presley Dishman
Director of Music

Tori Armstrong
Director of Children's Ministry

J Dan Gullett
Visuals

Steve Guttery
Sound



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

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

THE GATHERING

Prelude

The Chimes

Welcome

✠ Call to Worship
UMH 748

Psalm 16:5-8

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a glorious heritage.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; even at night, my heart instructs me.

I have set the Lord always before me; the Lord is at my right hand; I shall not be moved.

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Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

✠ Hymn of Praise
UMH 304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices REGENT SQUARE
(vv. 1, 2, 3)

✠ 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 Kindergarten grade may join Mrs. Todameka in the back of the sanctuary for Preschool Children's Church.

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

✠ Doxology

OLD 100TH

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
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 Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9 NSRV

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy, he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while, you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.”

Response to the Word

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

✠ Hymn of Preparation

UMH 420 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM
(vv. 1, 2, 3, 4)

✠ Gospel Lesson John 20:19-31 NRSV

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” ²⁶A week later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My

Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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Sermon

Good Doubt

✠ 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

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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

O God, our light, our beauty, our rest: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your new creation. Form us into your people and order our lives in you; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers for growth and healing.

O God, our rainbow, our dove, our promised land: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your ark. Protect us from storms and ferry us to your welcoming shore; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers for God’s protection.

O God, our shepherd, our gate, our lamb: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your pasture. Guide us to your clear streams and tame the wolf at our gate; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers of thanksgiving.

O God, our grove, our love, our well: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your garden. Bind us now and forever and give us to eat from the tree of life; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers to grow in faith.

O God, our bread, our milk, and our honey: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us to your table. Feed us with your plenty and enlarge our table for all the hungry; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers for the physically and spiritually hungry.

O God, our sovereign, our banquet, our crown: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your palace. Train us to be heirs to your throne, that we may shield the needy through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers for the poor and powerless in our midst.

O God, Holy One, our altar, our cloud: In the resurrection of your Son, you have brought us into your temple. Accept the sacrifices we offer and draw us into the fire of your Spirit; through Christ our Lord.
Amen. Alleluia.

Offer your silent prayers asking God’s forgiveness for our sin.

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.

✠ Invitation to Christian Discipleship

SENDING FORTH

✠ Sending Hymn

UMH 327 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* DIADEMATA
(vv. 1, 2, 3, 4)

✠ Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude