

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 7

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 9:15 a.m. Children's Choir – MS  
 9:45 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
 10:15 a.m. Worship  
 11:15 a.m. Senior Luncheon – FH  
 11:15 a.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal – MS  
 11:15 a.m. KidMin Gathering – FLC  
 4:00 p.m. Blankets

Tuesday, May 9

9:30 a.m. Yoga – FLC

Wednesday, May 10

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – FH  
 3:00 p.m. KidMin Gathering – FLC  
 6:00 p.m. Dayspring – RH

Thursday, May 11

9:30 a.m. Yoga – FLC  
 12:30 p.m. Community Assistance – Narthex  
 6:00 p.m. Men's Basketball – FLC

Friday, May 12

9:00 a.m. Preschool Graduation –  
 Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 13

1:00 p.m. Pickleball – FLC

FLC – Family Life Center  
 FH – Fellowship Hall  
 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.



## Assisting in Worship...

Rev. Dr. Mary Beth Bernheisel  
 Pastor

Elizabeth Lemons  
 Table Assistant

Josh Bernheisel  
 Jack Caldwell  
 Ryan Lowrance  
 Liturgists

Fred and Ellen Moore  
 David and Sara Hayes  
 Communion Stewards

Tori Armstrong  
 Children's Ministry Director



Senior Sunday

May 7, 2023

✚ Please stand as you are able

Senior Processional

Elgar

*Pomp and Circumstance March No. 1 in D*

✚ Welcome and Call to Worship

God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace.

**Nurture us with the strength of Christ, the vine of everlasting life.**

Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days.

**Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love.**

**Amen.**

✚ Opening Hymn WS 3177

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

*Here I Am to Worship*

*Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,*

*Opened my eyes, let me see.*

*Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.*

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*King of all days, O so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.*

*Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.*

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.*

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‡ Affirmation of Faith (in unison)

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.

Celebrating the Ministry of the Church Carrie Newsom

Pastoral Prayer

Celebration of Young Disciples

Children ages 3 through 1<sup>st</sup> grade may join Mrs. Tori in the back of the sanctuary for Children’s Church.

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music *He Touched Me* Gaither  
Joe Palmer, Soloist

‡ Doxology LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*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!*

Hymn UMH 534 *Be Still, My Soul* FINLANDIA  
(vss. 1, 2, 3)

Mission Moment Golden Cross

Scripture Lesson John 15:1-8 CEB

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. <sup>2</sup>He removes any of my branches that don’t produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. <sup>3</sup>You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can’t produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can’t produce fruit unless you remain in me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can’t do anything. <sup>6</sup>If you don’t remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and in this way prove that you are my disciples.

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

Sermon

Meditation Hymn OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

*Be present at our table, Lord.  
Be here and everywhere adored.  
Thy people bless and grant that we  
May feast in fellowship with thee. Amen.*

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Silent Prayers*

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And, also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing ... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn, saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

...in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

...Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

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.

Music during Holy Communion

Prayer after Holy Communion (in unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Senior Presentation

Senior Slide Show Introduction

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‡ Invitation to Christian Discipleship

‡ Announcements

‡ Benediction

The beautiful flowers in the chancel this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of our graduating seniors by their parents.

*Sermon Notes...*