

## 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...

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2023

✚ Please stand as you are able

Prelude

✚ Welcome and Call to Worship  
Shout for joy; sing songs of praise;  
**for God reigns over all the earth!**  
God has gone up with a shout!  
**Sound the trumpets and sing songs of praise!**

✚ Hymn TFWS 2088 LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH  
*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

*Lord, I lift your name on high;  
Lord, I love to sing your praises.  
I'm so glad you're in my life;  
I'm so glad you came to save us.  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
from the earth to the cross my debt to pay;  
from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;  
Lord, I lift your name on high.  
(Repeat)*

Celebrating the Ministry of the Church

Nancy West

Pastoral Prayer  
O risen God,  
**fill us with your power.**

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.

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.

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 21

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship –  
Foyer/Narthex  
9:45 a.m. Parish Choir Warm-up – MS  
10:15 a.m. Worship  
11:15 a.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal – MS  
4:00 p.m. Blankets

Tuesday, May 23

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

Wednesday, May 24

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – FH

Thursday, May 25

9:30 a.m. Yoga – FLC  
12:30 p.m. Community Assistance – Narthex

Saturday, May 27

1:00 p.m. Pickleball – FLC

FLC – Family Life Center  
FH – Fellowship Hall  
MS – Music Suite

Scripture Lesson

Acts 1:1-11 CEB

Theophilus, the first scroll I wrote concerned everything Jesus did and taught from the beginning, <sup>2</sup>right up to the day when he was taken up into heaven. Before he was taken up, working in the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus instructed the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering, he showed them that he was alive with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days, speaking to them about God’s kingdom. <sup>4</sup>While they were eating together, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for what the Father had promised. He said, “This is what you heard from me: <sup>5</sup>John baptized with water, but in only a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” <sup>6</sup>As a result, those who had gathered together asked Jesus, “Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?” <sup>7</sup>Jesus replied, “It isn’t for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>Rather, you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>After Jesus said these things, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going away and as they were staring toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood next to them. <sup>11</sup>They said, “Galileans, why are you standing here, looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you saw him go into heaven.”

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

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

✠ Doxology 94 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 TFWS 2074 *Shout to the Lord* ZSCHECH

*My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.  
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength.  
Let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing  
power and majesty, praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,  
forever I’ll love you, forever I’ll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.  
(Repeat)*

✠ Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:44-53 CEB

<sup>44</sup>Jesus said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the Law from Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” <sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. <sup>46</sup>He said to them, “This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and a change of heart and life for the forgiveness of sins must be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>Look, I’m sending to you what my Father promised, but you are to stay in the city until you have been furnished with heavenly power.” <sup>50</sup>He led them out as far as Bethany, where he lifted his hands and blessed them. <sup>51</sup>As he blessed them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. <sup>52</sup>They worshipped him and returned to Jerusalem overwhelmed with joy. <sup>53</sup>And they were continuously in the temple praising God.

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Parish Choir Anthem *I Am Redeemed* Dixon  
Roy Tipton, Soloist

Sermon

✠ Apostles’ Creed (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.

✠ Invitation to Christian Discipleship

✠ Hymn TFWS 2282 I’LL FLY AWAY

*I’ll Fly Away  
(vss. 1, 2, 3)  
Some glad morning when this life is o’er, I’ll fly away;  
to a home on God’s celestial shore, I’ll fly away.  
I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.  
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I’ll fly away.  
  
When the shadows of this life have gone, I’ll fly away;  
like a bird from prison bars has flown, I’ll fly away.  
I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.  
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I’ll fly away.  
  
Just a few more weary days and then, I’ll fly away;  
to a land where joys shall never end, I’ll fly away.  
I’ll fly away, O glory, I’ll fly away.  
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I’ll fly away.*

✠ Announcements

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude

*Sermon Notes...*