



# THE WORD

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## MISSION MOMENT

Mary Beth Bernheisel, Senior Pastor

Dear Dyersburg FUMC Family,

I hope that you have enjoyed the opportunity to hear from our church leaders over the last few months both in our worship services and in the newsletter. I know that each week I am inspired by the stories, the testimonies, and the ministries that we have heard from the pulpit. This Sunday David Hayes will be back with a challenge for all of us as we continue on this journey of Forward Momentum.

I also hope that you've enjoyed our Summer Sermon Series: Sunday School Stories for All of Us. I have personally learned and relearned so much as I have studied each week, and each week I have found myself surprised and inspired by the way God has worked for salvation for the whole world. We have three more weeks of Sunday School stories, and I encourage you to read ahead each week as you prepare for worship. We have made a slight change to the schedule. On July 16 our story will be about Esther, and on July 23 we'll jump back into Daniel to face the lions.

On July 30 our worship will be led by our Children's Ministry, and I know you will be blessed by their gifts. And on August 6 we will welcome Rev. Jefferson Furtado to the pulpit. Jefferson is a dear friend of mine who serves as one of the pastors of the Vine Church (<https://www.thevineumc.church/>) and is the Ministry Associate of the Conference Equip Team. I will share more about Jefferson in an upcoming newsletter, but I hope that you will make plans to worship with us on August 6, and that you'll bring along some friends!

Session recordings of the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Annual Conference are now available online at <https://twkumc.org/2023-annual-conference-livestream/>. I especially encourage you to listen to/watch the Opening Worship Service and Ordination Service to hear the impassioned preaching of Bishop Gregory Palmer, and the Teaching Session by Dr. Ashley Bogan (Monday Afternoon Business 1) as she encourages us to reclaim our Wesleyan roots.

July 7 will mark the beginning of my fifth year of service at Dyersburg FUMC. As I reflect on how much life we've lived together over the past four years I cannot help but be humbled and grateful that God saw fit to send me to you. We have been through some excruciatingly difficult seasons together, and yet the joy of the Lord has been our strength. Every Sunday morning I am energized in both body and spirit to be with you, to worship with you, and to share ministry with you.

With immeasurable gratitude,

Mary Beth

## SUNDAY, JULY 9

### VIDEO RECORDER

Pierce White

### LITURGIST

Jerry Mack Roberson

### USHERS FOR JULY

Jake Browning, Hubert Jones,  
Lowell Beck, Eddie Dunagan, and  
Dustin Seratt

### GREETER THIS WEEK

Maralyn Beck

### Our Mission Statement

*To Know, Love, Share,  
and Serve Christ*

### Our Vision Statement

*We seek to love God above  
everything and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves*

### Our Values

*Hospitality, Outreach, Loving,  
Tradition, Community, Teaching,  
Family*

## JOIN US FOR WORSHIP FROM ANYWHERE

Our Sunday morning service is viewable each Sunday morning at 10:15 am from our church's webpage at <https://www.fumcdyersburg.com/media> or our Facebook page at Dyersburg First United Methodist Church. You can also watch previous sermons on either site.

### RECORD OF LOYALTY (7/2/2023)

#### ATTENDANCE

Online Worship	162
In Person Worship	129
Sunday School	54

#### OFFERING

Approved Budget, 2023	\$784,797.00
Weekly Needs	\$15,092.25
Weekly Giving	\$8,698.00
Needed to Date	\$407,490.75
Received to Date	\$273,702.50
July Communion (School supplies)	\$886.00

### **SAVE THE DATE! SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023**

The MS River District invites you to a special worship service at 4:00 p.m.  
Milan First UMC, 2000 Jones Blvd., Milan, TN

Rev. Dr. David Weatherly will be the guest preacher.  
Special Music will be under the direction of  
Rev. Sammy Tillman.

### **CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Year-to-date contribution statements are going out soon, mostly by email. If you do not have an email on file, your statement will automatically be sent in the mail. If you do not receive yours, please let Karen or Melinda know. We will be glad to print one for you.

## **Upcoming Sunday Events**

**July 30**

*KidMin Sunday*

10:15 am

3rd Grade Bible  
Presentation

Acolyte & Cross  
Bearer

Training/Luncheon  
11:15 am

**July 30**

*Family Back to*

*School Bash*

4:00 pm

*YMCA Field*

**Aug. 6**

*Kick-Off Sunday*

Breakfast - 9:00 am

Service of Blessing -

10:15 am

### **GUEST SPEAKER FOR KOINONIA CLASS**

Eddie Anderson is speaking to the Koinonia Class about his journey with the Lord during his long illness. Please join us in the Chapel this Sunday, July 9, at 9:15 am to hear his incredible story.

## **SUMMER SERMON SERIES**

SUNDAY SCHOOL STORIES FOR ALL OF US

**JULY 9**

**THE FIERY FURNACE  
DANIEL 3**

**JULY 16**

**ESTHER  
ESTHER (ALL OF IT)**

**JULY 23**

**THE LION'S DEN  
DANIEL 6**

**DYERSBURG FIRST  
UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**



**SUNDAY SCHOOL 9AM  
WORSHIP 10:15AM  
100 MCGAUGHEY ST.**

### **MISSION MINDED**

As you travel this summer, please consider sharing the travel sized toiletry items provided in your hotel room with our Assistance program. We especially need travel toothpaste, toothbrushes, and disposable razors to round out the toiletry items we have on hand. All donations are appreciated.



**by Kathy Kail**

Our choir is growing! We are so excited. However, we have room for many more. Reading music, singing on pitch, singing beautifully are welcome but are not prerequisites! Just come and join in the singing. Your smiling face will bless the congregation I'm sure!

# KIDMIN KORNER

## Safe Sanctuary Training

Contact Tori ([tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com](mailto:tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com)) for more info on becoming Safe Sanctuary trained and making sure you're in the clear to volunteer with our children, youth, and vulnerable adults.

## Upward Sports Ministry

It's TIME for a NEW SEASON!

Registration opens: 8/21/23 (link coming soon)  
To Volunteer: more details to come soon.  
Talk to Tori for more details.

KIDMIN SCHEDULE SUMMER 2023	
<b>July 9</b> 1-4pm	The Secret: Treasure, FUMC Dyersburg, Toddlers-6th Grade
<b>July 16</b> 1-4pm	The Secret: Mystery, FUMC Dyersburg, Toddlers-6th Grade
<b>July 23</b> 1-4pm	The Secret: Chase, FUMC Dyersburg, Toddlers-6th Grade

## YOUTH DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING!

Youth and Youth Parents, please sign-up for the Reelfoot Mini-Mission trip before the deadline. Deadline is this **Friday, July 7**. Here is the sign-up link and QR code.

<https://min.link/DRV>



## MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

### PANTRY FUND

In memory of:  
Jan Taylor Kelt

Given by:  
Sellers Sunday School Class

*Memorials not listed this week will be listed in next week's issue.*

# DYERSBURG FUMC YOUTH



Summer 2023

**JULY 13-15**

**REELFOOT MINI-MISSION**

Pack your bag for two nights and wear your work clothes. We'll do some home repair and have some fun along the way!

**JULY 28-29**

**ROCK IN  
AT CLIMB NASHVILLE**

Ever been rock climbing at midnight? Now's your chance!

## NOTES ON OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE

- All activities are open to rising 7th graders through graduating seniors AND FRIENDS!
- Please respond promptly to texts asking you to sign up for events so that we can buy tickets, arrange transportation, etc.
- Chaperones are ALWAYS welcome
- We will provide details as they become available.
- Although we will publish a suggested cost for each activity, assistance is always available!



If you have a child going off to college, now would be a great time for them to sign up on the church's webpage to get e-newsletters from the church. It's a great way to keep in touch with some home town news. <https://fumcdyersburg.com/media/newsletters>

## CATCHING UP ON MEMORIALS

If you would like to do memorials and can't remember to stop by or write a check on Sunday, you can do memorials online. Go to the church's webpage, <https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate>. There is a place to type in memorial names after you select one of the memorial funds.



## Hospitality Corner

From the Evangelism Team

I Peter 4:8 calls us to value each other so deeply that we maintain constant love for each other. "Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins."

### 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 still mail them or go online. It's easy: mail your check to the church at P.O. Box 452, Dyersburg, TN 38025 OR give online by going to <https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate>.



### Needs for July

Instant oatmeal, Tomato soup, Peanut butter, Granola bars

The July—August Upper Rooms are in! Please remember to save and recycle your previous devotional. Bring it with you when you pick up your new devotional. Both can be dropped and picked up in the Connect Center.



### HOSPITAL AND RECENTLY ILL

*In order to keep our teams informed about persons you've requested prayer for, please send updates every three weeks.*

Nancy Hardin  
Greg Corley (Bobbie Williams' son-in-law)  
Carolyn Joslin (Bobbie Williams' friend)  
Patty Rosemeyer - friend of Ginger Voss  
Jason Jones - Hubert and Delores Jones' son  
Marie Hardy  
Amy Pope McIntosh - Steven Parker's cousin  
Jerry and Carolyn Cooper - Bells Nursing and Rehab.  
Center, 213 Herndon Drive, Room 218, Bells, TN 38006  
Jake Gold - Ginny Acree's nephew  
LoAnn Burgess - Deb Lowrance's sister-in-law  
Andrea Young Pope - Steven Parker's Mom  
Joann Lewis  
Eddie Anderson  
Bill Troy  
Jimmy Wilkes  
Patti Hill  
Lorna Donaldson  
Patsy Lawson  
Hughes Clardy

*\*Please continue to remember the Home Bound.*

### FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Family Life Center Walking Track is available Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4 pm. To gain access to the building call the church office at 731-285-6454 when you get to the FLC.

Send form #3579 to The Word, P.O.Box 452, Dyersburg, TN 38025, FUMC

**Sunday, July 9, 2023**  
**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67**  
**Psalms 45:10-17**  
**Romans 7:15-25a**  
**Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

**9:00 am Sunday School**  
**9:45 am Fellowship**  
**10:15 am Worship**  
**Rev. Dr. Mary Beth Bernheisel,**  
**preaching**

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