

Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 6

- 10:00 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – GS
- 10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

Monday, September 7 – Labor Day

All Day –Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

- 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Respite Meeting - UCR

Wednesday, September 9

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

Thursday, September 10

- 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Respite Zoom Meeting

Sunday, September 13

- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – GS
- 10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Blankets – EW
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group – RH

EW – Education Wing
FH – Fellowship Hall
GS – Gathering Space – Room 217
KC – Koinonia Classroom
Rh H – Rhea House
RH – Rawles Hall
UCR – Upstairs Conference Room

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.



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

Gathering Music

The Chimes

Welcome

Family of God, we live in a world full of conflict and division.
God calls us to be a people of reconciliation.
 We live in a world full of misinformation and confusion.
God calls us to be a people of truth and darity.
 We live in a world that wants to settle disputes with harmful
 words and actions.
**God calls us to be a people who make peace through compassion
 and honesty.**
 We live in a world that does not understand the ways of Jesus.
**Yet Jesus teaches us to be a people of reconciliation and peace for
 the good of the whole world. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Christ in Our Midst

UMH 131 *We Gather Together* KREMSER
(vv. 1, 2, 3)

*Lord of the church, you call a broken people around your table:
in times of disagreement, teach us to listen, loose us from
prejudice and bind us to your way of forgiving grace; through
Jesus Christ, who stands at the heart of our gathering. Amen.*

Mission Moment

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

✠ Doxology UMH 94 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

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit that, as the Scriptures are read and the Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading Exodus 12:1-14 CEB

¹The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, ²“This month will be the first month; it will be the first month of the year for you.^[a] ³Tell the whole Israelite community: On the tenth day of this month they must take a lamb for each household, a lamb per house. ⁴If a household is too small for a lamb, it should share one with a neighbor nearby. You should divide the lamb in proportion to the number of people who will be eating it. ⁵Your lamb should be a flawless year-old male. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You should keep close watch over it until the fourteenth day of this month. At twilight on that day, the whole assembled Israelite community should slaughter their lambs. ⁷They should take some of the blood and smear it on the two doorposts and on the beam over the door of the houses in which they are eating. ⁸That same night they should eat the meat roasted over the fire. They should eat it along with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Don’t eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over fire with its head, legs, and internal organs. ¹⁰Don’t let any of it remain until morning, and burn any of it left over in the morning. ¹¹This is how you should eat it. You should be dressed, with your sandals on your feet and your walking stick in your hand. You should eat the meal in a hurry. It is the Passover of the Lord. ¹²I’ll pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I’ll strike down every oldest child in the land of Egypt, both humans and animals. I’ll impose judgments on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. ¹³The blood will be your sign on the houses where you live. Whenever I see the blood, I’ll pass over^[b] you. No plague will destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ¹⁴“This day will be a day of remembering for you. You will observe it as a festival to the Lord. You will observe it in every generation as a regulation for all time.

Response to the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

✠ Hymn of Preparation UMH 128

He Leadeth Me HE LEADETH ME

(vv. 1, 3, 4)

✠ Gospel Lesson Matthew 18:15-20 CEB

¹⁵“If your brother or sister sins against you, go and correct them when you are alone together. If they listen to you, then you’ve won over your brother or sister. ¹⁶But if they won’t listen, take with you one or two others so that *every word may be established by the mouth of two or three witnesses*. ¹⁷But if they still won’t pay attention, report it to the church. If they won’t pay attention even to the church, treat them as you would a Gentile and tax collector. ¹⁸I assure you that whatever you fasten on earth will be fastened in heaven. And whatever you loosen on earth will be loosened in heaven. ¹⁹Again I assure you that if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, then my Father who is in heaven will do it for you. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I’m there with them.”

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Sermon

Conflict

✠ Affirmation of Faith APOSTLES’ CREED

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 UMH 70

Glory Be to the Father MEINEKE

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Invitation & Prayer of Confession

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.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you.

And, also, with you.

Call to the Table UMH 488

REMEMBER ME

Jesus Remember Me

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.**

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.

Music during Holy Communion

Let Us Break Bread Together

One Bread, One Body

Spirit of the Living God

Prayer after Holy Communion

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.

✠ Invitation to Christian Discipleship

SENDING FORTH

✠ Sending Hymn UMH 431

WORLD PEACE

Let There Be Peace on Earth

✠ Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

✠ Benediction

✠ Postlude