

# THE WORD

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## MISSION MOMENT

Your Mission Team

This Sunday we will celebrate World Communion Sunday. Please read this information shared from the United Methodist Church website.

Holy Communion joins us in Christian unity. This sacrament invites us to focus on the holiness of communion with God and one another. On World Communion Sunday - United Methodists, in conjunction with other denominations and believers worldwide, participate in communion to recognize our unity in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. This universal and inclusive connection is the foundation of the special offering for World Communion Sunday.

Your donations support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals and transforming communities. In 2021, World Communion Sunday offerings awarded 242 scholarships and grants. Your generosity continues to provide scholarships, grants, mentoring and training for leadership development. The needs exceed what we can fund and your gifts can further growth and success.

Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries.

Thirty-five percent supports racial and ethnic scholarships for students pursuing ordained ministry (deacon or elder) and includes a mentoring program.

Fifteen percent funds Ethnic-In-Service Training Grant for leadership development, recruitment, training, and retention of ethnic United Methodist persons in leadership positions in every level of the church and its ministry.

The United Methodist Church, the world and our communities are in a time of transition. Now, perhaps more than ever, we are called to extend healing and hope which will guide us to becoming a new creation in Christ. Through our gifts and support, we can invest in talented, qualified students from around the globe to transform the world as witnesses for Christ!

Mission Team

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

### USHERS

Walt Bradshaw  
Bill Yates  
David Wagner  
Steven Parker  
Lena Lewis

### GREETERS

Virginia Parker  
Cindy Taylor

### LITURGIST

Nancy West

### VIDEO RECORDER

David Wagner

### COMMUNION STEWARDS

Joe and Patty Yates  
Hugh and Melanie Todd



### 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*

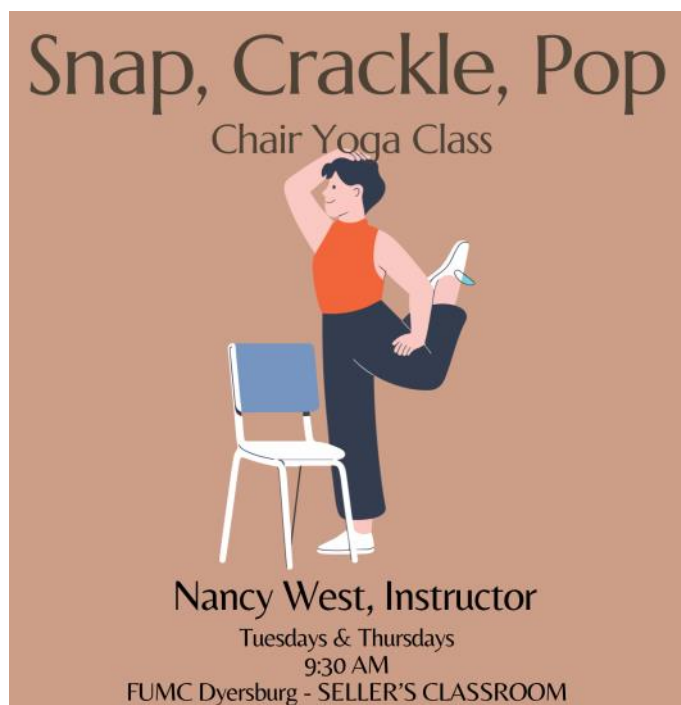
### RECORD OF LOYALTY (9/28/2025)

#### ATTENDANCE

Online Worship	61
In Person Worship	95
Sunday School	49

#### OFFERING

Income Year to Date	\$462,169.89
Expenses Year to Date	\$455,591.14
Income (July)	\$51,991.47
Expenses (July)	\$52,397.76



**Snap, Crackle, Pop**  
Chair Yoga Class

Nancy West, Instructor  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
9:30 AM  
FUMC Dyersburg - SELLER'S CLASSROOM



The **September/October** 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.

### PRESCRIPTION FOR

## RANEY WEBB'S

# 90<sup>th</sup>

### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



- ☒ Friends
- ☒ Fellowship
- ☒ Food

SAT

OCTOBER 11, 2025

11AM-1:30PM

**"COME AND GO" LUNCH BUFFET**  
*Fabulous cuisine from New Orleans*



The Foundry  
2320 Amanda Avenue  
Dyersburg, TN

Regrets only text:  
901-233-3762



**Youth Spaghetti Supper**  
Monday, December 1, 2025  
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
First United Methodist Church's  
Fellowship Hall  
\$8 per plate

*Proceeds go to UMYF  
Tickets may be purchased from any FUMC Youth or  
online at:*

### ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Do you have information to be printed in the newsletter? Maybe you have a birth announcement, a wedding announcement, a prayer request/update, or an upcoming Sunday School social. Please send your information to Tori and Karen in the church office. It's easy. Call 731-285-6454 or email - [tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com](mailto:tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com) [kkesterson@fumcdyersburg.com](mailto:kkesterson@fumcdyersburg.com).

**Send to both emails to make sure we get your information correct and into the newsletter.  
Deadline is Tuesdays at noon each week.**



### PLEASE PARDON OUR PROGRESS

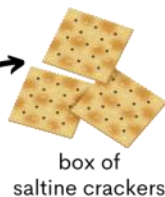
The Family Life Center building will be **CLOSED** for  
the YMCA's renovations  
**starting SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12.**

Once the building re-opens, all groups and individuals  
will schedule/use the building by contacting the YMCA  
of Memphis.

We expect to re-open in December. We appreciate your  
patience.

More information coming soon.

## SPAGHETTI DIMMER IN A BAG



Leave full bags in the Connect Center.  
Contact Nancy West for more details!

## KID'S SPECIAL EVENT



# Treasure Gala

October 18th  
4:00 - 6:00PM

**FUMC DYERSBURG  
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

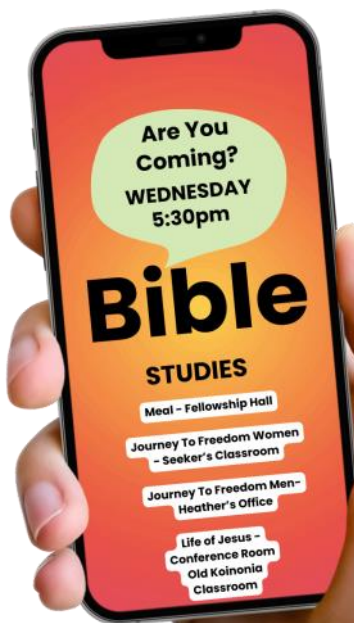
*Dress up. Have Food.  
Solve a mystery! Will you join us?*  
RSVP: <https://min.link/VwW>

*Rhea House*

## NEEDS:



**Beef Stew - Chicken & Dumplings -  
Toothpaste - Deodorant -  
Feminine Sanitary Pads**



## 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>.

# Prayer Requests

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

Rachel Flynn (Elaine McCormick's granddaughter-in-law)  
Tiffany Riggins (Elaine McCormick's daughter)  
Nadia Browning  
David West  
Ardis Phillips  
Carolyn Cooper - Bells Nursing and Rehab. Center,  
213 Herndon Drive, Room 218, Bells, TN 38006  
Bill Troy  
Ron Gathright  
George Robertson  
Cherry Robertson  
Linda Jones

*\*Please continue to remember the Home Bound.  
\*If you'd like to send cards, contact the church office for addresses if you need them.*

## 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.

**Sunday, October 5, 2025**

**Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**

Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

**Lamentations 1:1-6**

**Psalms 137**

**2 Timothy 1:1-14**

**Luke 17:5-10**

**9:15 am Sunday School**

**10:00 am Fellowship Time**

**10:15 am Worship**

**Rev. Steven Lefebvre, Preaching**

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