

Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 5

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall
10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

Monday, October 6

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Pickleball – FLC

Tuesday, October 7

9:00 a.m. YMCA Staff Meeting – FLC CR
9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting – KC
9:30 a.m. Snap, Crackle, Pop – FLC
6:00 p.m. Men’s Basketball – FLC

Wednesday, October 8

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

Thursday, October 9

9:30 a.m. Snap, Crackle, Pop – FLC
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Pickleball – FLC

Saturday, October 11

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pickleball – FLC

Sunday, October 12

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall
10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Fuel For The Soul – RH

FH – Fellowship Hall
FLC – Family Life Center
FLC CR – Family Life Center Craft Room
S.S. Hall – Sunday School Hall
Rh H – Rhea House
KC – Koinonia Classroom
EW – Education Wing
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...

The Reverend Steven Lefebvre
Pastor

Nancy West
Liturgist

Josh White
Accompanist

Tori Armstrong
Director of Children’s Ministry

Tori Armstrong
Visual

Tori Armstrong
Audio



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost
World Communion Sunday
October 5, 2025

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

THE GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

✚ Call to Worship 2 Timothy 1:3-14 NRSV
We worship God as our ancestors did; we remember them constantly in our prayers night and day.
Recalling our tears, we long to see them so that we may be filled with joy.
For this reason, I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.
We join you in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling.
This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.
We will guard the good treasure entrusted to us, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.
Amen. Let us worship God!

✚ Processional & Hymn of Praise
UMH 555 *Forward Through the Ages* ST. GERTRUDE
(vv. 1, 2, 3)

✚ Opening Prayer
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mission Moment					
Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings					
Offertory Music	<i>Living Hope</i> Arranged by Phil Wickham	Parish Choir			
✠✠ Doxology UMH 94	<i>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!</i>		OLD 100TH		
<u>PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE</u>					
✠✠ Old Testament Lesson	Lamentations 1:1-6 NRSV				
¹ How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become subject to forced labor. ² She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers, she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her; they have become her enemies. ³ Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations; she finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. ⁴ The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate; her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. ⁵ Her foes have become the masters; her enemies prosper because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. ⁶ From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.					
Response to the Word					
The Word of God for the people of God.					
<i>Thanks be to God.</i>					
Pastoral Prayer for World Communion Sunday					
Sermon			<i>Stones in the River</i>		
✠✠ Affirmation of Faith	Apostles’ Creed				
Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now reverently and sincerely declare:					
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	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	MEINEKE			
<i>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.</i>					
<u>GREAT THANKSGIVING</u>					
Invitation & Prayer of Confession					
<i>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.</i>					
Silent Prayers					
Declaration of Forgiveness					
✠✠ Passing the Peace of Christ	As a forgiven and reconciled people, let us exchange signs of reconciliation and love.				
The peace of Christ be with you.					
<i>And, also, with you.</i>					
Call to the Table			<i>Jesus, Remember Me</i>	REMEMBER ME	
UMH 488					
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					
<i>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</i>					
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					
<u>SENDING FORTH</u>					
✠✠ Sending Hymn UMH 389	<i>Hymn of Promise</i> (vv. 1, 2, 3)	PROMISE			
✠✠ Carrying the Light of Christ into the World					
✠✠ Announcements					
✠✠ Benediction					
✠✠ Postlude					