

THE WORD

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MISSION MOMENT

Mary Beth Bernheisel, Senior Pastor

REELFOOT RURAL MINISTRIES

This Sunday, November 5, we have the opportunity to enter the Mission Field by donating our Communion Offering to Reelfoot Rural Ministries. For years our church has partnered with Reelfoot Rural Ministries to help meet specific needs of thousands of people here in West Tennessee.

This time of year we begin collecting donations for the Reelfoot Christmas Store where needy families can fill out an application and shop for gifts for their children at a low cost. Over a thousand children and teenagers benefit from this service every year. Reelfoot reaches out to give a caring hand to children in other ways as well. Each summer Reelfoot hosts a Back to School drive where parents can come and get the basic supplies their children need to be successful in school. School-aged children in Lake County also benefit from a Backpack Program similar to the one in Dyer County to help provide them with food on the weekends.

Reelfoot goes beyond ministry to children and helps people of all ages meet their basic needs through its grocery ministry and thrift store. In addition, Reelfoot provides emergency services and supplies to victims of fire, flood, tornado, and domestic assault. Finally, Reelfoot operates Dental and Vision Clinics to provide these vital services to those who need it most and would probably not receive the services any other way. Reelfoot Rural Ministries has a long history of mission work right here in our backyard. To make sure this continues, the board is intentionally and strategically planning for the future to strengthen this ministry for the coming years.

How can you support this amazing work? First, you can give a donation on Sunday. If you write a check, mark "Reelfoot Rural Ministries" on the memo line or "monthly communion" for online gifts. Second, you can purchase books, toys, or sports equipment for children and teenagers and place them in our donation boxes in the Fellowship Hall or in the Connect Center.

Robert Craig, Executive Director of Reelfoot Rural Ministries, will be our Mission Moment speaker.

Thank you for your continued support of Reelfoot Rural Ministries!

Your Mission Team



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

LITURGIST

Lizzie Lemons

VIDEO RECORDER

Will Bird

USHERS

Billy Ozment, Mark Hayes, Tim Taylor, Dustin Seratt, Lowell Beck

GREETER

Cindy Taylor Jake Browning

COMMUNION STEWARDS

Lowell and Maralyn Beck Randy and Sandy Prince

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION STEWARDS

Hubert and Delores Jones Porter Ryland Amelia Wilkes

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 (10/29/2023)

ATTENDANCE

Online Worship93In Person Worship121Sunday School(Fellowship Breakfast)

OFFERING

Monthly Income (September)\$28,964.33Monthly Expenses (September)\$44,347.99Income Year to Date\$398,943.00Expenses Year to Date\$476,843.62

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.





Scan QR code to order spaghetti tickets online.

THANKSGIVING

On Sunday, **November 26**, we will celebrate Thanksgiving together in our worship service. One of the opportunities that will be available to you that morning is to share that which you are grateful for as part of our morning prayer. We will provide you with a piece of paper when you enter the sanctuary and we encourage you to write down what you are thankful for. If you prefer that your answer(s) not be read aloud and included in the prayer, you may simply leave them on the rail and we will confidentially dispose of them after the service. We hope that you will enjoy the opportunity both to share your gratitude and the gratitude of your brothers and sisters in Christ!



During our worship on Sunday, **November 5**, we will celebrate the completed lives of the saints of Dyersburg First United Methodist Church. We will read the names of those who have joined the Church Triumphant during the past year and invite their family and friends to stand as their names are read. If there is a saint (or saints) in your life whom you would like to honor during the worship service, you are invited to bring a photo of those persons and place them on the ledges in front of the stained glass windows, and we will offer thanksgiving to God that we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AND WORSHIP ARTS

The Dyersburg FUMC SPRC is soliciting resumes for the position of Director of Music and Worship Arts. If you or anyone you know has the gifts and interest for this part-time position, please see the job description linked at https://fumcdyersburg.com/employment. Letters of interest and resumes may be submitted to marybeth@fumcdyersburg.com.

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, November 5, Daylight Saving Time ends. Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour.



KIDMIN KORNER



TENNESSEE HOMELESS SOLUTIONS HAS A REQUEST

TN Homeless Solutions is starting a Youth Program. They have bought homes and are now in need of furnishings. If you or someone you know would like to donate furnishings, please contact Scarlet Caviness with Tennessee Homeless Solutions, 731-234-7508.

ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Do you have information to be printed in the newsletter? Maybe you have a birth announcement, a wedding announcement, or an upcoming Sunday School social. Please give your information to Karen in the church office. It's easy. Call—285-6454 or email—kkesterson@fumcdyersburg.com.

Deadline is Tuesdays at noon each week.

KOINONIA CLASS HAS GUEST SPEAKER

Rev. Stacy Rector will join us during the Sunday School hour on **November 12**, in the chapel as a guest of the Koinonia Sunday School class. ALL are invited to join us, however, as she shares about her work as Executive Director of Tennesseans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (TADP). Her presentation will offer an analysis of the death penalty, information about alternatives for addressing violent crime, and ways to provide support for families of murder victims. Rev. Rector has much wisdom and experience to share with us, so we hope you'll join us and bring your friends.

MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of:Given by:Marie HardyMr. and Mrs. Ken Hickman and
Betty Claire AdairMarie HardyMark and Treva Leas

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

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

- When a member of your family is admitted to the hospital.
- When there is a death in your family.
- When your class or group plans to use the church facilities for a meeting or a function.
- When either your home or business phone number or address changes.
- When a new baby arrives in your family.
- When a member of your family leaves for college or establishes their own residence.
- When you change your name.
- When a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- When you feel the pastor, staff, or church can assist you in any way.

LOST AND FOUND

After last Sunday, we found a brown leather journal book in the sanctuary. If you think it could be yours, please call the church office, 731-285-6454.



Hospitality Corner

From the Evangelism Team

Jesus is trying to help us experience openhearted living. Closed hearts squelch our ability to love God and love our neighbors.

The **November/December** 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.



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 November

Corn Green Beans Sweet Peas Powdered Milk



HOSPITAL AND RECENTLY ILL

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

Brady Heidenreich - TriStar Centennial Medical Center, Nashville, TN

David Wagner

Veronica Merrell

Cherry Robertson

Greg Corley (Bobbie Williams' son-in-law)

Carolyn Joslin (Bobbie Williams' friend)

Patty Rosemeyer - friend of Ginger Voss

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

*Please continue to remember the Home Bound.

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

Sunday, November 5, 2023 All Saints' Sunday

> Rev. 7:9-14 Psalm 34:1-10, 22 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12

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

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