

THE WORD

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PASTORAL THOUGHTS

Rev. Steve Lefebvre

Dear Church,

This Sunday will wrap up our Stewardship Campaign: The Character of a Methodist. I hope our time exploring John Wesley's historic essay has left you with a deep sense of pride about being a member of the United Methodist Church.

To be a United Methodist first and foremost means we are people who love God and love our neighbors above all else. It means we show up for one another and our community. It means we are in tuned with the voice of our hearts, so that we might be joyful in the Lord. It means we are constantly reconciling our hearts with one another, always seeking our oneness in Jesus Christ.

I hope you will join us this Sunday. During our Invitation to Christian Discipleship, all are invited to come down and leave your pledge card at the rail (even if you've done yours online). Whatever you are able to give us in 2026—your presence, prayers, gifts, service, and witness—will absolutely be enough, and God will use it to make all things new.

Thank you for your support of First United Methodist Church, and thank you for your faithfulness to the body of Christ!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Steve

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

USHERS

Thomas Lemons
Bill Yates
Tim Taylor
Lowell Beck
Dustin Seratt

GREETERS

Maralyn Beck
Lena Lewis

LITURGIST

Nancy West

VIDEO RECORDER

Will Bird

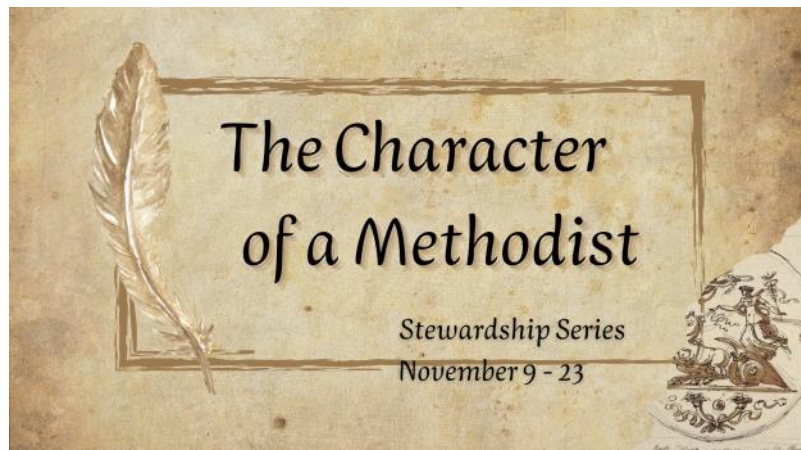


Monday - Friday

8:30am – 12:00pm

1:00pm – 4:00pm

Offices Closed 11/27 & 11/28



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 (11/16/2025)

ATTENDANCE

Online Worship	N/A
In Person Worship	106
Sunday School	55

OFFERING

Income Year to Date	\$596,102.00
Expenses Year to Date	\$666,401.06
Income (September)	\$87,436.51
Expenses (September)	\$139,958.38

MEMORIALS/HONORARIUMS

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

<u>In memory of:</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Nate Dearing	Patrick & Amy Heckethorn

PANTRY FUND

<u>In memory of:</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Dr. Charles Viar	Patrick & Amy Heckethorn

<u>In honor of:</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Sojourners Sunday School Class	Mark & Kelli Hayes



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.

Snap, Crackle, Pop
Chair Yoga Class



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

Progressive Dinner

SIGN UP

To Host!

Sign Up to Be A Host Home: <https://min.link/Wh7>

We'll bring the kids to you. You feed the kids. We all will have a great time and make loads of memories!

UTM
Fine Arts Bldg

Nov 23 3:00pm

SENIOR RECITAL
JOSH WHITE



If you're interested in taking a bus trip or caravan to watch Josh's recital please let me know at tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com. We will leave the Church at 1:30pm

RHEA HOUSE

Thanksgiving HOLIDAY DRIVE

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, THE RHEA HOUSE IS SHARING EXTRA THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS! WE ARE GIVING AWAY, IN ADDITION TO OUR NORMAL FOOD, THANKSGIVING ITEMS WHICH INCLUDE A HALF HAM. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO GIVE HALF HAMS EVERY WEDNESDAY UNTIL CHRISTMAS. DONATIONS CAN BE MADE TO THE PANTRY FUND.

Youth
SPAGHETTI
Supper

TICKETS ONLINE
<https://min.link/WUw>

Text "supper" to
 **731-207-8878**
 to get your tickets!



Reelfoot Rural Ministries

2025 CHRISTMAS
Toy Drive

Drop toy donations
 in the Toy Boxes
 in Narthex and
 Connect Center

Deadline
NOV 30



The End of the
Beginning

THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S COMING

Advent 2025 Series Theme



KIDMIN

Progressive Dinner

NOV 30

5:30pm

Start/End: Troy Lot

RSVP to **Tori**
 tfrazier@fumcdyersburg.com
 731-285-6454

All kids are welcome to
 join us as we travel in the
 Church Bus for our
 traveling dinner.





Family
 Advent
 Worship

12/10/25
 5:30 Meal
 6:00 Interactive Service

Rhea House

NEEDS:



SEE KELLI
 HAYES FOR
 MORE INFO

Cream of chicken soup
Cream of mushroom soup
Spaghetti noodles
Small bottles of dawn

Sunday, November 23, 2025
The Character of a Methodist: Third
Commitment Sunday
Christ The King Sunday

Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalms 46
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 1:68-79
Luke 23:33-43

9:15 am Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship Time
10:15 am Worship
4:00 pm Parish Choir Practice

Rev. Steve Lefebvre, Preaching

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LOST & FOUND

If you've lost a bracelet it was found on Sunday. Please reach out to the Church Office to describe it.

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.*

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>.

TO ORDER ONLINE TEXT

"flower" to 731-207-8878

\$25

*Christmas
Poinsettias*

proceeds go to the Pastor's
Discretionary Fund

