

Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 26

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship – Narthex
 10:15 a.m. Worship
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
 4:00 p.m. Blankets
 4:00 p.m. Youth

Monday, November 27

4:30 p.m. Spaghetti Supper – FH

Tuesday, November 28

9:30 a.m. Yoga – FLC
 10:15 a.m. Staff Meeting – TR
 6:00 p.m. Men’s Basketball – FLC

Wednesday, November 29

6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast – FH

Thursday, November 30

9:30 a.m. Yoga – FLC
 12:30 p.m. Community Assistance – Narthex

Friday, December 1

7:00 a.m. KidMin: Coffee Talk with Tori –
 Green Frog

Saturday, December 2

10:00 a.m. Pickleball – FLC

Sunday, December 3

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship – Narthex
 10:15 a.m. Worship
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
 4:00 p.m. Blankets
 4:00 p.m. Youth

FLC – Family Life Center
 FH – Fellowship Hall
 TR – Trinity Classroom

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...

Rev. Dr. Mary Beth Bernheisel
 Pastor

Lena Lewis
 Liturgist

Josh White
 Accompanist

Tori Armstrong
 Children’s Ministry Director

Steve Guttery
 Audio

Clare Bernheisel
 Video



Christ the King Sunday

November 26, 2023

✚ Please stand as you are able

Prelude

Welcome

✚ Opening Prayer

Loving and gracious God, your blessings are countless and your love is never-ending. As we celebrate this Thanksgiving, we pray that you will open our hearts to you and to one another, that we may share the gifts you have given us in loving service to all people. Lord, our God, you have done wondrous things on earth; guide us as we care for and protect the earth, our home. Grant us joy of heart, and may peace dwell with us. We pray in your Holy Name. Amen.

✚ Hymn UMH 131

KREMSER

*We Gather Together
 (vss. 1, 2, 3)*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

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.

Celebration of Young Disciples

Children ages 3 through 1st Grade may join Mrs. Tori in the back of the sanctuary for Children’s Church.

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 65 NRSV

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, and to you shall vows be performed, ²O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. ³When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. ⁴Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. ⁵By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. ⁶By your strength you

established the mountains; you are girded with might. ⁷You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. ⁸Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. ⁹You visit the earth and water it; you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. ¹⁰You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. ¹¹You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. ¹²The pastures of the wilderness overflow; the hills gird themselves with joy; ¹³the meadows clothe themselves with flocks; the valleys deck themselves with grain; they shout and sing together for joy.

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

‡ Doxology 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN
*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!*

‡ Hymn TFWS 2036 GIVE THANKS
Give Thanks (repeat)
*Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong;"
let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."
And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say,
"I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."
Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks.*

Scripture Lesson Deuteronomy 8:7-18 CEB

⁷The Lord your God is bringing you to a wonderful land, a land with streams of water, springs, and wells that gush up in the valleys and on the hills; ⁸a land of wheat and barley, vines, fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of olive oil and honey; ⁹a land where you will eat food without any shortage - you won't lack a thing there - a land where stone is hard as iron and where you will mine copper from the hills. ¹⁰You will eat, you will be satisfied, and you will bless the Lord your God in the wonderful land that he's given you. ¹¹But watch yourself! Don't forget the Lord your God by not keeping his commands or his case laws or his regulations that I am commanding you right now. ¹²When you eat, get full, build nice

houses, and settle down, ¹³and when your herds and your flocks are growing large, your silver and gold are multiplying, and everything you have is thriving, ¹⁴don't become arrogant, forgetting the Lord your God: the one who rescued you from Egypt, from the house of slavery; ¹⁵the one who led you through this vast and terrifying desert of poisonous snakes and scorpions, of cracked ground with no water; the one who made water flow for you out of a hard rock; ¹⁶the one who fed you manna in the wilderness, which your ancestors had never experienced, in order to humble and test you, but in order to do good to you in the end. ¹⁷Don't think to yourself, my own strength and abilities have produced all this prosperity for me. ¹⁸Remember the Lord your God! He's the one who gives you the strength to be prosperous in order to establish the covenant he made with your ancestors—and that's how things stand right now.

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Special Music

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Dione Wilson, Soloist
Barry Patrick, Accompanist

Sermon

‡ Apostles' Creed (in unison)
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.

Invitation to Discipleship

‡ Hymn TFWS 2008 THE ASH GROVE
Let All Things Now Living

(verse 1)
*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
God's banners fly o'er us; God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.*

(verse 2)

*The law God enforces, the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim the Divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest hosanna and praise!*

‡ Announcements

‡ Benediction

‡ Postlude

Sermon Notes...