## Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 30

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. Youth Spaghetti Setup – FH

4:00 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal – MS

4:00 p.m. KidMin Progressive Dinner

Monday, December 1

4:30 p.m. Spaghetti Supper – FH

Tuesday, December 2

9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting – KC

9:30 a.m. Snap, Crackle, Pop – SC

Wednesday, November 3

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – FH

12:30p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Community Assistance –

Rh H

Thursday, November 6

9:30 a.m. Snap, Crackle, Pop – SC

Sunday, November 7

9:00 a.m. Potluck Breakfast – FH

9:45 a.m. First Cup Fellowship – S.S. Hall

10:15 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Charge Conference – Sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Blamkets – EW

4:00 p.m. Fuel for the Soul – RH

4:00 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal – MS

FH – Fellowship Hall

S.S. Hall – Sunday School Hall

Rh H – Rhea House

KC – Koinonia Classroom

EW – Education Wing

RH – Rawles Hall

MS – Music Suite

SC – Sellers' 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 @ <a href="https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate">https://fumcdyersburg.com/donate</a>, or scan the following QR code with your phone.



# Assisting in Worship...

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP First Sunday in Advent - Hope

Hanging of the Greens November 30, 2025

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

### THE GATHERING

Prelude

The Chimes

Welcome

# Call to Worship

United Methodist Book of Worship 258

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the eternal Christ?

With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death, and resurrection.

How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God? By hearing again, the words of the prophets who foretold the saving work of God.

For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but so that the world, through him, might be saved.

Glory to God in the highest!

Processional & Hymn of Praise UMH 196 Come, Thou Lo

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (vv. 1 and 2)

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Cedar: God Will Send a Righteous King Reading: Jeremiah 33:15

**UMH 204** 

Emmanuel, Emmanuel (v. 1)

McGEE

Pine and Fir: The Prophet Declares a Child to Be Born

Reading: Isaiah 9:6

**UMH 175** 

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee ST. AGNES (vv. 1 and 2)

# Ivy and Holly: The Suffering Servant Reading: Isaiah 53:5

UMH 292

What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE (v.1)

# Chrismon Tree: The Mystery of the Incarnation Reading: John 1:4-5

Celebration of Young Disciples

Blessing of the Chrismon Tree

UMH 211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL (v. 1)

Lighting of the Advent Candle

UMH 211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel VENI EMMANUEL (Refrain)

Bringing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music Come to Jesus
Arranged by P. Drennan

Parish Choir

Matthew 24:36-44 NRSV

#Doxology

#Gospel Lesson

UMH 94 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; OLD 100TH
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!

#### PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup> For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup> For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup> and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup> Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. <sup>41</sup> Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. <sup>42</sup> Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup> But understand this: if the owner

of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was

coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup> Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Response to the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks he to God.

Homily

The End of the Beginning

# 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

Glory Be to the Father

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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.

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

Invitation & Prayer of Confession

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.

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.

And, also, with you.

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, 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

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.

Music During Holy Communion

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

### SENDING FOR TH

Sending Hymn Angels from the Realm of Glory ST. GERTRUDE UMH 220 (vv. 1, 2, 3, 4)

Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

# Announcements

# Benediction

# Postlude