

The flowers are given by Colon and Jane Ballance in memory of their parents.

Using their Gifts to Serve in July:

Deacon of the Month of July:	Sarah Davis
July Radio Ministry Sponsor	Colon and Jane Ballance
Opening of the Church in July:	Sarah Davis
Ushers for July:	Johnny Jenkins, Bob Lee, Hunter Brown
Caregiver for July 5 – July 18	T.K. Warren

Please welcome Dr. Dennis Bazemore to our pulpit as the guest preacher this morning.

Please welcome Mr. Billy Briggs as our guest musician this morning.

Dr. Gaskins will be on vacation thru July 14. If you need assistance please contact Sarah Davis.

The Deacons will meet on Tuesday, July 14 at 6:00 p.m.

The Personnel Committee will meet on July 15 at 5:30 p.m.

The Youth Group will be having a pool party and cookout on **Sunday, July 19, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Murfreesboro pool (314 W. High St., Murfreesboro, NC 27855). Families are welcome to join us! We'll be having a cookout, and **hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided.** If your family is able to bring a side dish to share, it would be greatly appreciated. Please let Kayleigh know by **July 16** if you plan to attend so we can prepare accordingly. We hope to see everyone there for a fun evening of food, fellowship, and swimming!

Applications are now being accepted for the Robert E. Lee, III Scholarship (awarded to Chowan University students) and the Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker Scholarship (awarded to students attending any institution of higher education, with a preference toward Chowan University). Applications are available in the church office and must be completed by July 31. The finance committee will award the scholarships and notify the recipients.

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:	Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
Tuesday:	Deacons' Meeting	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday:	Personnel Committee	5:30 P.M.
Sunday, July 19:	Youth Pool Party & Cookout	5:00 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce	Cheryl Whitley	Gertrude Revelle
Genevieve Broadhead	Chris Broadhead	Ed and Verlie Rainey



MURFREESBORO
BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, July 12, 2026

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Tell Me the Story of Jesus John R. Sweney

*Gathering Hymn No. 343 His Name Is Wonderful MIEIR

His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord;
He is the mighty King, Master of everything,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.
He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, Almighty God is He;
bow down before Him, love and adore Him,
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities Sarah Davis

Call to Worship Psalm 65:1-5 (NRSV)

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer!
To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.
Happy 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.

*Please stand as you are able.

By 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.		
Invocation		Sarah Davis
<i>We Hear God's Word</i>		
*Hymn of Praise No. 349	<i>To God be the Glory</i>	TO GOD BE THE GLORY
Children's Sermon		Sarah Davis
Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 55:6-11	Charlie Cole
The Word of God, for the People of God. Thanks be to God.		
Gospel Lesson	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Frances Cole
The Word of the Lord. Praise His Holy Name!		
*Gloria Patri No. 705	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	GLORIA PATRI
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.		
The Church at Prayer		Dennis Bazemore
Call to Prayer The Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer (<i>trespasses</i>)		
*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 619	<i>Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine</i>	ASSURANCE
Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Prayer		Charlie Cole
Offertory	<i>The Goodness of God</i>	Jenn Johnson
Billy Briggs, tenor		
*Doxology 706	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100 TH
Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.		
Anthem	<i>The Midnight Cry</i>	Chuck & Greg Day
Billy Briggs, tenor		
Scripture and Sermon	Acts 16:16-34	Dennis Bazemore
Midnight, Earthquake, Salvation, Freedom		

<i>We Respond to God's Word</i>		
Hymn of Response No. 474	<i>Softly and Tenderly</i>	THOMPSON
*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment		Dennis Bazemore
<i>We Go Forth with God's Blessing</i>		
*Commission and Benediction		Dennis Bazemore
**Postlude	<i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past</i>	arr. Healey Willan
**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.		



To our guests this morning . . .

In the name of Jesus Christ, welcome to worship at Murfreesboro Baptist Church! Worshiping God together is one of the most important things we do as a church. We gather to hear and tell the good news of what God has done, is doing, and will do in Jesus Christ his Son, and respond to him in faith and obedience as he sends us out with his blessing to love and serve him in the world. We encourage active participation through responsive readings, the prayers, the offering, and singing hymns together.

As members of the larger body of Christ, we affirm our kinship with our fellow believers in other traditions and around the world by following the seasons of the Christian year. Today is the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, in a part of the Christian Year known as Ordinary Time, when we focus on what it means to be and to live together as the people of God, the church of Jesus Christ. The color for this time is green, symbolizing our life and growth as followers of Jesus.

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist & Choir Director
Ms. Kayleigh Lance, Director of Youth Ministry
Mrs. Teresa Martin, Administrative Assistant

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