

The flowers are given by Sarah Davis to the glory of God and in celebration of the new school year.

Using their Gifts to Serve in September:

Deacon of the Month of September:	Sarah Davis
September Radio Ministry Sponsor	Susan Benthall
Opening of the Church in September:	Charlie Cole
Ushers for September:	Jay Revelle, Ronnie Colltrain, & Charles Gallop
Caregiver for August 30-September 12	Colon & Jane Ballance

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies or supplies for international teachers. The supplies were delivered to HCPS this week.

Mark your calendar...Deacon elections will be held on Sunday, September 20 after worship service.

MBC will host a Fellowship Lunch on Sunday, September 27 following the Quarterly Conference. The church will provide the meat and asks that you bring vegetables, a covered dish, or dessert.

MBC will hold a Quarterly Conference and Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 27 after worship service. The Quarterly Conference is to approve the 2026-2027 Budget and Nominating Committee recommendations. The Ministry Fair and a fellowship lunch will follow the Quarterly Conference.

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:	Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
Wednesday:	Choir Practice	6:00 P.M.
	Bible Study	7:00 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, September 6, 2026
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude	For Such a Time As This	John B. Dykes
*Gathering Hymn No. 31	Ancient Words (Verse 1)	ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words, long preserved for our walk in this world,
they resound with God's own heart; O let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope give us strength, help us cope;
in this world wher-e'er we roam God's ancient words will guide us home.
Ancient words ever true, changing me and changing you;
we have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities	Mark Gaskins
Call to Worship	Mark Gaskins
Invocation (unison)	Psalms 119:33-40 (NRSV)

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.
Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.
Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.
Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.
Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

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*Please stand as you are able.

Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.
Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good.
See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 310 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Epistle Lesson Ephesians 2:1-10 Frances Cole

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson	Luke 18:9-14	Charlie Cole
The Word of the Lord.		
Praise His Holy Name!		

*Gloria Patri No. 705 *Glory Be to the Father* 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
Call to Prayer
The Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 395 *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Prayer		Mark Gaskins
Offertory	<i>God and God Alone</i>	McHugh/Hayes
*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 *The Healing Place* Joseph M. Martin

Scripture and Sermon 2 Kings 5:1-15 Mark Gaskins
Not on Our Own Terms

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn of Response No. 646 *Teach Me Your Way* CAMACHA

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction

**Postlude	<i>Dwell With Us, O Lord</i>	Johann Pachelbel
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***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 Fifteenth 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
Mrs. Teresa Martin, Administrative Assistant

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Please silence and refrain from using cell phones and other electronic devices during the worship service.