

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Judy Clark in memory of her husband, Herman Clark.

Using their Gifts to Serve in April:

Deacon of the Month of April:	Linda Hassell
April Radio Ministry Sponsor:	Wayne and Shirley Brown
Opening of the Church in April:	Sarah Davis
Ushers for April:	Lloyd Hill, Jay Revelle, Johnny Jenkins, and Armando Torres
Caregiver for April 26 – May 9	Alice and Linda Hassell

Murfreesboro Baptist Church will hold a quarterly conference today after worship service.

Union Mission Clothing Drive: April is the month to donate all of your unwanted, non- fitting, and out of style clothing to help Union Mission in Roanoke Rapids. Please leave your donations in the connector. Deadline is April 30.

In Memory of Angie Lawrence: Aldeen Gatewood

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



MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, April 26, 2026 Fourth Sunday of Easter

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *God Is Here!* Cyril V. Taylor

*Gathering Hymn No. *Surely the Presence of the Lord* Lanny Wolfe

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings
I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Words of Welcome Mark Gaskins

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship Psalm 23 (KJV)

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

**Please stand as you are able.*

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 350 *Blessed Be the Name* BLESSED NAME

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Acts Lesson Acts 2:37-47 Debbie Hill

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

Epistle Lesson 1 Peter 2:19-25 Kayleigh Lance

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. 65 *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* CRIMOND

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory *Give Me Jesus* Spiritual/McDonald

*Doxology 706 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100TH

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 *Shepherd Me, O God* Haugen/Hayes

Scripture and Sermon John 10:1-18 Mark Gaskins

Thief, Hired Hand, or Shepherd?

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 66 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* RESIGNATION

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Luther/Jones

***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, prayers, the offering, and singing hymns.

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter, the season in which we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and reflect on what it means for our lives and our life together as followers of Jesus. The color for today is white, symbolizing our risen Lord's victory and glory.

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:	Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
Wednesday:	Kids' Club	6:00 P.M.
	Choir Practice	6:15 P.M.
	Prayer and 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

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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