

The flowers are given by Sarah Davis to the glory of God and in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States of America.

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 June 21 – July 4	Booker Daniel

Dr. Gaskins will be out of town from July 8-July 14. If you need assistance please contact Sarah Davis.

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.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

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

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, July 5, 2026 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *O God Beyond All Praising* Gustav Holst

*Gathering Hymn No. 332 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (verses 1, 2, 3 & 6) AZMON

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.
Jesus, the name that calms my fears, that bids my sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears; 'tis life and health and peace.

To God all glory, praise, and love be ever,
ever given by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:8-13 (NRSV)

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

**All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power.**

**Please stand as you are able.*

To make known to all people your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 62 *God of Our Fathers* NATIONAL HYMN

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson 2 Samuel 5:1-5 Linda Hassell
The Word of God, for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Epistle Lesson Matthew 22:15-22 Lynette Bunch
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. 702 *America, the Beautiful* MATERNA

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins
Offertory *Oh, How I Love Jesus* Traditional/Farrell
*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 *I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb* Ray Boltz

Scripture and Sermon 1 Peter 2:13-17 Mark Gaskins
Why Religious Freedom Matters

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn of Response No. 484 *The Love of Jesus Calls Us* ANGEL'S STORY

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory* American Folk Song

***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 Sixth 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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