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: Debbie Hill September Radio Ministry Sponsor: Debbie Hill Opening of the Church in September: Charlie Cole

Ushers for September: Jay Revelle, Ronnie Coltrain,

Hal Thomas, and Charles Gallop

Caregiver for Sept 7- Sept. 22 Aldeen Gatewood

The Youth Group will have a cookout this afternoon from 3pm-6pm at the home of Patty Joyner in Winton. We will leave the church around 2:45 for those who need rides. All food will be provided (burgers, hotdogs, chips, etc.). There will be paddle boarding, kayaks, and corn hole for entertainment.

Thank you to all who donated school supplies to Hertford County Public Schools.

Wednesday, September 10 is Big Wednesday. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Mary Etta's menu is fried chicken, potato salad, butterbeans, deviled eggs, rolls & dessert. Please call the church office to make your reservation by Monday, 12 noon.

Union Mission Clothing Drive: September 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 September 30.

MBC will hold a Quarterly Conference on Sunday, September 14 after worship service to approve 2025-2026 annual Budget and Nominating Committee recommendations.

Mark your calendar...Deacon elections will be held on Sunday, September 21 after worship service.

MBC's online presence has been updated. Check out the new website at murfbc.org. Our new app is now available for download in both the Apple store and Google Play store. In the store, search "Murfreesboro Baptist Church." The blue dome should be the icon next to the name. If you have any questions, please let Sarah Davis know.

The nursery is now available during worship service for children under the age of five. If you need assistance, please see any usher. Also, anyone wishing to volunteer to assist in the nursery, please contact Frances Cole.



MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, September 7, 2025 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Bringing in the Sheaves Minor/Thygerson

*Gathering Hymn No. 31 Ancient Words (verse 2) ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age; came to us through sacrifice; O heed the faithful words of Christ. Holy words long preserved for our walk in the world, they resound with God's own heart; O let the ancient words impart. 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 Based on Psalm 139:1-4, 6,17-18, 23-24

O LORD, you have searched us and known us. You know when we sit down and rise up; you discern our thoughts from far away. Even before a word is on our tongues, you already know it. Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is so high that we cannot attain it. How weighty and vast are your thoughts, O God! If we try to count them, they are more than the sand, and when we come to the end, we are still with you. Search us, O God, and know our hearts; test us and know our thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

^{*}Please stand as you are able.

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 58 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 55:6-11 Kayleigh Lance

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson John 1:1-18 Bob Lee

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. 163 Wonderful Words of Life WORDS OF LIFE

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory I Surrender All Weeden/Schwoebel

*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 Shout to the Lord Zschech/Pethel

Scripture and Sermon Mark Gaskins

Hebrews 1:1-4 The Last Word

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 582 Down at the Cross GLORY TO HIS NAME

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction

Mark Gaskins

**Postlude God of Grace

arr. Paul Manz

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 Thirteenth 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 in the body of Christ, his church.

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist & Director of Music Ministry Ms. Kayleigh Lance, Director of Youth Ministry

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:	Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
	Youth Group Cookout	2:45 P.M.
Wednesday:	Big Wednesday	6:00 P.M.
	Kids Club	6:30 P.M.
	Choir Practice	6:45 P.M.
	Praver & Bible Study	7:00 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Ann Caulkins Randy & Cheryl Whitley Gertrude Revelle Genevieve Broadhead Chris Broadhead Ed and Verlie Rainey

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^{**}Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.