The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Bruce and Liz Brown in memory of Fletcher Harrison Pierce.

Using their Gifts to Serve in November:

Deacon of the Month of November:	Bruce Brown
November Radio Ministry Sponsor:	Linda Hassell
Opening of the Church in November:	Bruce Brown
Ushers for November:	Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, Mike Alston
Caregiver for November 22 - December 5:	Patty Joyner

In celebration of Paula's 20th anniversary, there is a basket in the hall outside the office for you to place cards or tokens of appreciation. The basket will be there for the remainder of the month.

Hanging of the Greens: Join us for Hanging of the Greens on this afternoon at 2:00 as we decorate the church grounds and sanctuary for Advent and Christmas.

Community Thanksgiving Service: Meherrin Baptist will host the Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday November 22 at 5:00 p.m. The preacher for the service will be Reverend James Brown of Nebo Baptist Church. All are invited to attend Thanksgiving Service and enjoy fellowship with our fellow Christians in the community.

Christmas Cantata: Please join us on Sunday, December 6 at 3:00 p.m. for our Christmas Cantata, "His Name is Jesus." We will be welcoming the Middle Swamp Baptist Church Choir and other community members from various surrounding churches to join us for this beautiful Christmas musical. Everyone is welcome to attend a reception afterwards in the fellowship hall.

MBC Quarterly Conference: Murfreesboro Baptist Church will hold a Quarterly Conference after worship service on Sunday, December 13, 2026.

Christmas Angel Tree: The Annual Christmas Angel Tree will soon be located in the foyer near the elevator. If you would like to be "A Christmas Angel" to a local child this Christmas, please take an Angel tag off the tree and sign the sign-in sheet on the lectern by the number you have chosen. Wrap all gifts, place in large bag and attach the Angel tag to the bag. Deadline for all gifts to be returned is Monday, December 14.

White Christmas Boxes: Please help us ensure that families in our area have a wonderful Christmas dinner. White Christmas box donations of foods and/or funds enable us to continue this important ministry. Food items needed are one-pound blocks of cheese, canned green beans, corn, peas, collards, cranberry sauce, candied yams, rice, fruit, gravy, stuffing mix, brownie mix, cake mix, and frosting. You may also contribute by adopting a box for $25.00. Please mark your donations "White Christmas Box". We will be providing for at least 12 families. The deadline for items is December 16. They will be packed and delivered on December 17.

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church…

Sunday:	**Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM**	**10:00 A.M.**
	Worship	**11:00 A.M.**
	Hanging of the Greens	**2:00 P.M.**
	Community Thanksgiving Service, Meherrin	**5:00 P.M.**
	Youth Group	**5:30 P.M.**
Wednesday:	**Choir Practice**	**6:00 P.M.**
	Bible Study	**7:00 P.M.**

MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, November 22, 2026
Christ the King Sunday

We Gather to Worship

Prelude — *Now Thank We All Our God* — Johann Cruger

*Gathering Hymn — *Thanksgiving Hymn* — LYONS

Jehovah, our Lord, our Savior and King, glad praises to Thee we ever shall sing.
We come to Thine altar, the place of retreat,
where we shall find peace at Thine own mercy seat.
Thanksgivings we bring in our songs to Thee,
for bounties of earth, for fruit of the tree.
For glorious fountains of water so pure, for temples of worship all time to endure.
O Jesus, our Lord, Thou Ruler of all, Thou art ever true, whatever the call.
Be Thou our Defender in all times of stress,
and help us live daily in true thankfulness.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities — Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship — Psalm 95:1-3, 6-7a (NRSV)

O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

**Please stand as you are able.*

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Invocation — Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 61 — *We Gather Together* — KREMSER

Children's Sermon — Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson — Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 — Frances Cole

The Word of God, for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson — Matthew 25:31-46 — 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. 372 — *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* — ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings
*Offertory Prayer — Jimmy Stapleton
Offertory — *Simple Gifts* — arr. Mark Hayes
*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 — *Reasons to Thank You* — Pepper Choplin

Scripture and Sermon — Ephesians 1:15-23 — Mark Gaskins
A Window on Eternity

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 158 — *Jesus Shall Reign* — DUKE STREET

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment — Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

Commission and Benediction — Mark Gaskins

**Postlude — *May Jesus Christ Be Praised* — Barnby/Wyrtzen

***Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.*

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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 Christ the King Sunday, the last Sunday of the Christian Year, when we remember, affirm, and celebrate that Jesus Christ is "King of kings and Lord of lords." The color for today is white, symbolizing the purity, joy, and glory of the reign of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist & Choir Director
Mr. Jimmy Stapleton, Director of Youth Ministry
Mrs. Teresa Martin, Administrative Assistant

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

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

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