

# Using their Gifts to Serve in August:

Deacon of the Month of August:	Steve Fowler
August Radio Ministry Sponsor:	Colon and Jane Ballance
Opening of the Church in August:	Sarah Davis
Ushers for August:	Colon Ballance, Armando Torres, Charlie Cole, and Garth Faile
Caregiver for Aug. 10-Aug. 23	T.K. Warren

The deacons will meet on Tuesday, August 12 at 6:00 p.m.

Join us as we Welcome Chowan University Class of 2029. The Chowan class of 2029 will arrive on campus Saturday, August 16, and we have been invited to help make them feel welcome in their new home away from home. CU Campus Ministry partners with us and other local congregations to serve lunch at 11 a.m. to the students and their families. Set up will begin at 10:00 a.m. This year, we need your help to make it possible. We will be providing a list of items needed for the lunch. Donations will be greatly appreciated. Most importantly, we need volunteers to help that Saturday to serve the students and their families. If you would like to help with this hospitality ministry, please contact the church office 252-398-3613 to volunteer.

We will collect school supplies for Hertford County Schools from now until the end of August. Supplies needed are pencils, pens, crayons, markers, glue sticks, binders, composition books (college and wide ruled), notebook paper (college and wide ruled), and clear book bags. HCPS only allows clear bookbags. Thank you.

MBC's online presence has been updated. Check out the new website at [murfbc.org](http://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. More detailed information is in the August newsletter. If you have any questions, please let Sarah Davis know.

Blessing of the Backpacks will be held on August 17 for all children, youth, and college students. Plan to attend this service to receive a blessing for the new school year.

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.

For anyone wanting to place flowers in the sanctuary, we have August 17 and 31 available. Please contact the church office to reserve a date.



## MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

*Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.*

**The Lord's Day, August 10, 2025**

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

*We Gather to Worship*

Prelude	<i>God Is Here!</i>	Cyril V. Taylor
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*Gathering Hymn No.	<i>Surely the Presence of the Lord</i>	Janice Cowan
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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 angels' wings, I see glory on each face.  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!  
**And also with you!**

Ministry Opportunities	Mark Gaskins
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Call to Worship	Psalm 33:1, 4-5, 20-22 (NRSV)
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Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.  
**For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.**  
**He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.**  
Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and shield.  
Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.  
**Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

InvocationMark Gaskins

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and CommitmentMark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

\*Hymn of Praise No. 349To God Be the GloryTO GOD BE THE GLORY

\*Commission and BenedictionMark Gaskins

Children's SermonSarah Davis

\*\*PostludeA Call to VictoryDavid Paxton

Epistle LessonColossians 2:6-10; 3:1-4Linda Hassell

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

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

Gospel LessonLuke 12:13-21Debbie Hill

The Word of the Lord.  
Praise His Holy Name!

To our guests this morning . . .

\*Gloria Patri No. 705Glory Be to the FatherGLORIA 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.

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.

The Church at Prayer  
Call to Prayer  
The Prayers of the People  
The Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 378We Gather Here in Grateful PraiseTRURO

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

OffertoryGod and God AloneMcHugh/Hayes

\*Doxology 706Praise God, From Whom All Blessings FlowOLD 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.

AnthemGlory to GodJoel Raney

Scripture and SermonEcclesiastes 1:1-11Mark Gaskins

In Search of Meaning

We Respond to God's Word

\*Hymn of Response No. 580I Will Sing of My RedeemerMY REDEEMER

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor

Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist & Director of Music Ministry

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM10:00 A.M.

Worship11:00 A.M.

Tuesday:Deacons' Meeting6:00 P.M.

Wednesday:Choir Practice6:00 P.M.

Prayer & Bible Study7:00 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil RoyceAnn CaulkinsRandy & Cheryl Whitley

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