

The flowers are given today by Booker Daniel in memory of her maternal grandmother Ruth Anna Vinson Vann 1894-1986; her birthday was September 6<sup>th</sup>.

## 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
Caregivers for Sept 21- Oct. 4	Diane Dixon and Alice Hassell

We extend a special welcome to our guest proclaimers today, CBFNC and CBF Global field personnel, Revs. Marc and Kim Wyatt, who serve with the Welcome House in Raleigh. We also welcome Mattie Grace Gilliam home to MBC today. As a CBF Global Student Serve Intern, she serves as Operations Manager with the Welcome House. We look forward to their sharing in our worship today!

Next Wednesday, October 1 is BIG WEDNESDAY. Mary Etta’s menu is lasagna, salad, garlic cheese bread, and dessert. Please call the church office by Monday noon to make your reservations.

Community Missions Volunteer Opportunity: Volunteers are needed to help deliver meals on wheels in our local area. Days needed are Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 until 11:30. If you are interested, please contact Tracie at the Hertford County Office of Aging at 202-358-7856, and let the church office know you have volunteered.

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.

Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 26 from 5:30-7:00 pm in the church parking lot. All children from birth to 5th grade are welcome to attend. Costumes are encouraged but not required. We will have a pizza dinner from Napoli's and then the children will visit the trunks. Drinks and chips are needed for dinner. Trunks with candy or small prizes are needed in the parking lot. If you would be willing to provide food for dinner or a trunk for the children, please let Sarah Davis know.

Thank you to those who have downloaded the new MBC app. For the app to be used to its full potential, you must create an account. Once you create the account, you will be added to groups for communication purposes. If you have any questions, please ask Sarah Davis.

**In Memory of Norman Buskill:** Diane Dixon  
**In Memory of Randolph (Randy) Woodard Whitley:** Diane Dixon and Katherine Brett



# MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

*Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.*

## The Lord’s Day, September 28, 2025 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### We Gather to Worship

Prelude	<i>To God Be the Glory</i> Winslow Gallop, piano	William Doane
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*Gathering Hymn No. 362	<i>I Love You, Lord</i>	I LOVE YOU, LORD
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I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You. O my soul, rejoice!  
Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet song in Your ear.

Words of Welcome  
The Lord be with you!  
**And also with you!**

Ministry Opportunities	Mark Gaskins
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Call to Worship	Psalms 146:1-2, 5-10 (NRSV)
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Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!  
**I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**  
Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,  
who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;  
who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.  
**The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.**  
**The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow,  
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.  
**The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!**

Invocation Mark Gaskins

**We Hear God's Word**

\*Hymn of Praise No. 354 *Praise Him! Praise Him!* JOYFUL SONG

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 58:6-12 Kayleigh Lance  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Lesson Luke 14:7-14 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.

Mission Moment Mattie Grace Gilliam

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

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 409 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* CONVERSE

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Kayleigh Lance  
Offertory *Rejoice, the Lord Is King!* Darwall/Forrest  
\*Doxology 706 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>  
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 *The Great Commission* John Carter

Scripture and Sermon Romans 12:1-5 Marc & Kim Wyatt  
Bunt or Pop Fly?

**We Respond to God's Word**

\*Hymn of Response No. 497 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* ASSAM

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

**We Go Forth with God's Blessing**

\*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

\*\*Postlude *Postlude on "Hyfrydol"* Pritchard/Payne

*\*\*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 Sixteenth 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...**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>
	<b>Youth Group</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Big Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 P.M.</b>
	<b>Kids Club</b>	<b>6:30 - 7:15 P.M.</b>
	<b>Choir Practice</b>	<b>6:45 P.M.</b>
	<b>Prayer &amp; Bible Study</b>	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>

**Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:**  
Phil Royce Ann Caulkins Cheryl Whitley Gertrude Revelle  
Genevieve Broadhead Chris Broadhead Ed and Verlie Rainey

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