

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Charlie and Dell Aycock in memory of their parents, Ruby and Charlie Aycock and Marty and Billy Davis.

Using their Gifts to Serve in August:

Deacon of the Month of August:	Mary Etta Flowers
August Radio Ministry Sponsor	Bob and Ann Lee
Opening of the Church in August:	Colon Ballance and Wayne Brown
Ushers for August:	Colon Ballance, Armando Torres, Charlie Cole
Caregiver for August 30-September 12	Colon and Jane Ballance

Monday is the deadline to collect school supplies for Hertford County Schools. 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.

Wednesday, September 2 is Big Wednesday. Mary Etta’s Menu is fried chicken, potato salad, butterbeans, deviled eggs, rolls and dessert. Please call the church office to make your reservation by Monday, 12 noon.

For the last several years, Hertford County Schools has employed many international teachers. The international teachers arrive in Hertford County with very few possessions. To assist these teachers with the adjustment from their homes to HC, we will be collecting items for them. Items needed are hygiene items (soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, razors, hand sanitizer, shampoo, conditioner), household items (laundry detergent, hangers, dish-washing detergent, dishes, glasses, cups, dish cloths, kitchen utensils, cutlery), or small appliances (microwave, toaster, blender, coffee pot, pots, pans). If you have any questions, please see Sarah Davis. Thank you.

Mark your calendar...Deacon elections will be held on Sunday, September 20 after worship service.

MBC will host a Fellowship Lunch on Sunday, September 27 following the Quarterly Conference. The church will provide the meat and asks that you bring vegetables, a covered dish, or dessert.

MBC will hold a Quarterly Conference and Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 27 after worship service. The Quarterly Conference is to approve the 2026-2027 Budget and Nominating Committee recommendations. The Ministry Fair and a fellowship lunch will follow the Quarterly Conference.

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sunday:	Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
	Youth Group	5:30 P.M.
Wednesday:	Kids’ Club	5:00 P.M.
	Big Wednesday	6:00 P.M.
	Choir Practice	6:45 P.M.
	Bible Study	7:00 P.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



MURFREESBORO
BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord’s Day, August 30, 2026
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude Lead On, O King Eternal Henry T. Smart

*Gathering Hymn No. 31 Ancient Words (Verse 1) ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words, long preserved for our walk in this world,
they resound with God's own heart; O let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope give us strength, help us cope;
in this world wher-e'er we roam God's ancient words will guide us home.
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 Psalm 105:23-26, 45b (NRSV)

Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.
And the LORD made his people very fruitful, and made them stronger than their foes,
whose hearts he then turned to hate his people, to deal craftily with his servants.
He sent his servant Moses, and Aaron whom he had chosen.

Praise the LORD!

*Please stand as you are able.

Invocation

Mark Gaskins

We Hear God’s Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 285

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

Children’s Sermon

Sarah Davis

Epistle Lesson

Romans 10:5-15

Kayleigh Lance

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 16:21-28

Kayleigh Lance

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. 26

God of Creation, All-Powerful

SLANE

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Mark Gaskins

Offertory

In the Presence of Jehovah with Surely the Presence

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

Go Down, Moses

Spiritual/Robinson

Scripture and Sermon

Exodus 3:1 – 4:20

Mark Gaskins

Moses: God’s Reluctant Shepherd

We Respond to God’s Word

Hymn of Response No. 503

Lord, Speak to Me, that I May Speak

CANONBURY

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God’s Blessing

*Commission and Benediction

**Postlude

The God of Abraham Praise

Meyer Lyon

**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 Fourteenth 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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Please silence and refrain from using cell phones and other electronic devices during the worship service.