

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in honor of our wonderful Director of Music Ministry and organist, Paula Pressnell, by Gene and Mary Etta Flowers.

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. 24- Sept. 6	T.K. Warren

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.

We are collecting 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 will hold a Quarterly Conference on Sunday, September 14 after worship service to approve 2025-2026 annual Budget.

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. More detailed information is in the August newsletter. 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.

For anyone wanting to place flowers in the sanctuary, we have August 31 and September 21 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 24, 2025 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* arr. Paul Manz

*Gathering Hymn

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.
He has done great things. He has done great things.
He has done great things, Bless His holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship Psalm 103:1-5, 8 (NRSV)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits –
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.
The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Invocation		Mark Gaskins
<i>We Hear God's Word</i>		
*Hymn of Praise No. 355	<i>Revive Us Again</i>	REVIVE US AGAIN
Children's Sermon		Sarah Davis
Epistle Lesson	Hebrews 12:18-29	Charlie Cole
The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God!		
Gospel Lesson	Luke 13:1-9	Kayleigh Lance
The Word of the Lord. Praise His Holy Name!		
*Gloria Patri No. 705	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	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		
*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 461	<i>Let Us Break Bread Together</i>	BREAK BREAD
Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Prayer		
Offertory	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Converse/Schrader
*Doxology 706	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100 TH
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	<i>The Potter's Hand</i>	Zschech/Fettke
Scripture and Sermon	Jeremiah 18:1-11	Mark Gaskins
“Like the Clay in the Potter’s Hand”		
<i>We Respond to God's Word</i>		
Holy Communion		
Invitation to the Lord’s Table		
Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer (<i>trespasses</i>)		
The Bread and Cup		
*Hymn of Response No. 493	<i>Have Thine Own Way, Lord</i>	ADELAIDE

<i>We Go Forth with God's Blessing</i>		
*Commission and Benediction		Mark Gaskins
**Postlude	<i>Lead On, O King Eternal</i>	Smart/Boud
<hr/> <i>**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.</i>		

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 Eleventh 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
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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:	Choir Practice	6:00 P.M.
	Prayer & 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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