

The flowers are given by Sarah Davis to the glory of God and in celebration of the new year of children's ministry.

Using their Gifts to Serve in August

Deacon of the Month of September:
September Radio Ministry Sponsor:
Opening of the Church in September:
Ushers for September:

Ushers for October:
Caregiver for August 27 – September 9:

Bob Lee
Diane Dixon
Charlie Cole
Jay Revelle, Ronnie Coltrain, Hal Thomas,
and Charlie Gallop
Charlie Aycock, Lloyd Hill, Thomas Bird
Gertrude Revelle and Daynelle Trent

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sun.	Radio Broadcast, 98.3	10:00	Wed.	Big Wednesday	6:00
	Worship	11:00		Kids' Club	6:30-7:15
				Choir Practice	6:45

Thank you to all who donated school supplies to HCPS. The supplies will be delivered to the schools this week.

Kids' Club will resume this week after the Big Wednesday dinner. We will meet from 6:30-7:15 this week. Non Big Wed weeks we will meet from 6-6:45. See you Wednesday.

This Wednesday is “Big Wednesday” Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Immediately following September’s Big Wednesday, Dr. Bailey will have a short devotional. Plates are \$10.00 each. Please call the church office (398-3163) each month to reserve your dinner reservation.

The church administrative office will be closed on Friday, September 1 and Monday, September 4. If you need assistance, please contact deacon of the month, Bob Lee or Deacon Chair, Tommy Bird.

A Gift Basket has been placed outside the Pastor’s door for anyone wanting to place cards or small gifts in appreciation of Dr. Bailey and his dedication to Murfreesboro Baptist Church as Interim Pastor for the past year. The basket will be available when administrative office is open and on Sundays 9:30 until noon.

Order forms for Murfreesboro Baptist Church T-Shirts are available in the church office. Deadline to place your order is September 7, 2023. Please make check payable to Murfreesboro Baptist Church

Save the Date: Sunday, September 17, 2023. As part of our 175th Anniversary, we will have a special musical performance by The Reverent Quartet during worship service. A love offering for the Quartet will be collected and a pot luck luncheon in the Fellowship Hall will follow worship service. Please invite family and friends!

Sunday, September 10, 17, and 24 dates are available if anyone is interested in placing flowers in the sanctuary. Please call the church office to schedule a date.

In Memory of Doris Sumner: (Lynette Bunch’s Sister-in-law): Diane Dixon

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Janet Collins Bern Davenport Tom and Ann Caulkins Randy and Cheryl Whitley

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MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Celebrating 175 Years
1848 - 2023



Sunday, September 3, 2023
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Dr. R. Richard (Rick) Bailey – Interim Pastor
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist and Choir Director
Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE	<i>We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise</i>	Kirk Dearman
WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS		Dr. R. Richard (Rick) Bailey
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO 343	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i>	MIEIR

His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful, His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.
He is the mighty King, Master of Everything. His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.
He's the great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages, almighty God is He;
bow down before Him, love and adore Him;
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.

O God, prepare us, through the active presence of your Holy Spirit, to come before you worthily and ask of You rightly. Enlighten our understanding, purify our every desire, encourage our wills to instant obedience to your Word, strengthen every right purpose, direct this hour of worship to the magnifying of Your name, and to the enduring good of us your children and servants. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SPOKEN CALL TO WORSHIPDr. Bailey

(Congregation, please respond by reading bold type.)

Our help is in the name of the Lord our God, the Maker of heaven and earth, who comes to our aid in times of need, who gives us the courage to do what we know is right, who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us and confess Him alone as Saviour and Lord. This is our God! Let’s worship together.

INVOCATIONDr. Bailey

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 354

Praise Him! Praise Him!

JOYFUL SONG

CHILDREN’S SERMONMs. Sarah Davis

OLD TESTAMENT READINGGenesis 1:26-28

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

WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYERDr. Bailey

SILENT PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING NO. 404

I Need Thee Every Hour

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WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

OFFERTORY SENTENCEDr. Bailey

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORYWhen In Our Music God is GlorifiedStanford/Hayes

*DOXOLOGY NO. 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.

*OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Bailey

WE LISTEN FOR GOD

NEW TESTAMENT READINGRomans 12:1-2

The Gospel of Christ; Praise His Holy Name!

MESSAGE IN SONGPsalm 34

Calvin Carter, tenor

Barnard & Rigney

MESSAGE IN WORD“TGIM - Thank God It's Monday!"Dr. Bailey

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN EISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 627

Victory in Jesus

HARTFORD

BENEDICTIONDr. Bailey

POSTLUDEHornpipe

G. F. Handel

Please stay seated until the conclusion of the music.
**Denotes that the congregation may stand.*

To our guests this morning...

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship today at Murfreesboro Baptist Church. We believe that worshipping together is one of the most important activities we do as a church, strengthening our faith and drawing our attention to God, who created us, calls us, and sustains us by the power of the Holy Spirit. In keeping with New Testament practices, we believe that worship rightly involves every member of the congregation, and not just the few people in leadership roles. We encourage active participation in worship through responsive readings, corporate prayer, giving our tithes and offerings, and singing hymns together.

As Baptists, we emphasize the reading and preaching of the Bible, God’s written word. We also practice believers’ baptism, and at the end of each service, we invite those who are not already believers to make a public profession of faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior. On the first Sunday of the month, we share the Lord’s Supper, which is open to all baptized Christians.

As members of the larger body of Christ, meanwhile, we affirm our kinship with our fellow believers in other traditions and around the world by following the seasons of the church year. We are currently in the season of Pentecost. The color for the season is green, symbolizing the growth we experience as disciples of Christ Jesus.