

Using their Gifts to Serve in November:

Deacon of the Month of November:

November Radio Ministry Sponsor:

Opening of the Church in November:

Ushers for November:

Ushers for December:

Caregiver for November 19 – December 2:

Debbie Hill

Linda Hassell

Tommy Bird

Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, III, and Mike Alston

Don Johnson, Wayne Brown, Bruce Brown, and Bob Turner

Sara Frances Hill

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church . . .

Sun.	Radio Broadcast, 98.3	10:00 A.M.	Wed.	Kid’s Club	6:00-6:45 P.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.		Choir Practice	6:00 P.M.

Hanging of the Greens will be this afternoon from 2-5 p.m. Volunteers are needed to decorate the sanctuary and church grounds for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.

The Annual Christmas Angel Tree is located in the foyer near the elevator. If you would like to be “A Christmas Angel” to a local child this Christmas, please take an Angel off the tree and sign the sign-in sheet on the lectern by the number you have chosen. Wrap all gifts, place in large bag and attach the Angel tag to the bag. All gifts should be returned to the church by December 15.

Please help us ensure that families in our area have a wonderful Christmas Dinner. White Christmas Box donations are now being accepted. Donations of foods and/or funds enable us to continue this important ministry. Food items needed are one pound blocks of cheese, canned green beans, corn, peas, collards, cranberry sauce, candied yams, rice, fruit, gravy, stuffing mix, brownie mix, cake mix, and frosting. You may also contribute by adopting a box for \$25.00. Mark your donations “White Christmas Box”. Let’s do our part to bring spiritual and physical nourishment to local families this holiday season. We will be providing for at least 15 families. Deadline is Sunday, December 17.

Please join us on Saturday, December 9 from 2 to 4 p.m. for a baby shower for Sarahi and Cody Blackburn in the Fellowship Hall. They are expecting twin girls in May. They plan to be in Murfreesboro for Candlelight Christmas and we plan to have a baby shower while they are visiting town. They are registered at Walmart. They wanted to emphasize a gift is not an obligation, they just want to see everyone!

If you are looking for a way to help local families, the church food pantry is in need of volunteers willing to donate food items. The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board next to the pantry in the fellowship hall.

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



The Lord’s Day, November 26, 2023  
Christ the King Sunday

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor

Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist and Choir Director

Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

We Gather to Worship

Prelude

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Irish Melody

Gathering Hymn No. 346

*Majesty*

MAJESTY

Majesty; worship His majesty. Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne,  
unto His own; His anthem raise.  
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.  
Majesty, worship His majesty; Jesus, who died,  
now glorified, King of all kings.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!  
And also with you!

Dr. Mark Gaskins

Ministry Opportunities		Dr. Gaskins	Message in Song	<i>He Is Exalted with O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	arr. Stan Pethel
Call to Worship		Psalm 100 (NRSV)	Scripture and Sermon	“Shepherding His Sheep”	Dr. Gaskins
Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. <b>Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.</b> Know that the LORD is God. <b>It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.</b> Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. <b>Give thanks to him, bless his name.</b> For the LORD is good; <b>His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.</b>					
Invocation		Dr. Gaskins	<b><i>We Respond to God's Word</i></b>		
<b><i>We Hear God's Word</i></b>					
*Hymn of Praise No. 215	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i>	DARWALL			
Children’s Sermon		Ms. Sarah Davis			
Old Testament Lesson	Ezekiel 34:11-24	Dr. Gaskins			
The Word of God, for the People of God. <b>Thanks be to God.</b>					
The Church at Prayer					
*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 65	<i>The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want</i>	CRIMOND			
Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings					
Offertory Sentence		Dr. Gaskins			
Offertory	<i>Jesus Shall Reign</i>	Hatton/Hayes			
*Doxology 706	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	OLD 100 <sup>TH</sup>			
*Offertory Prayer		Dr. Gaskins			
New Testament Lesson	Matthew 25:31-46	Dr. Gaskins			
The Word of the Lord. <b>Praise His Holy Name!</b>					

<b><i>We Go Forth with God's Blessing</i></b>		
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment		
Dr. Gaskins		
Commission and Benediction		
**Postlude	<i>Serve the Lord with Gladness</i>	McKinney/Boud
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<i>*Please stand as you are able.</i>	<i>**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.</i>	
<b>To our guests this morning . . .</b>		
In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship today at Murfreesboro Baptist Church. We believe that worshiping 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, 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 the hymns together.		
As Baptists, we emphasize the reading and preaching of the Bible, God’s written word. We also practice believers’ baptism. Toward 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. We frequently share the Lord’s Supper, which is open to all baptized Christians.		
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 last Sunday of the Christian Year, Christ the King Sunday. The color for today is white, symbolizing the purity, joy, and glory of the reign of the Lord Jesus Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords.		