

Using their Gifts to Serve in March:

Deacon of the Month of April:	Steve Fowler
April Radio Ministry Sponsor	Sara Frances Hill
Opening of the Church in April:	Charlie Cole
Ushers for April:	Hal Thomas, Lloyd Hill, Thomas Bird, and Jay Revelle
Ushers for May:	Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, Mike Alston, and Jay Revelle
Caregiver for April 7 - April 20	Lisa Forbes

Murfreesboro Baptist Church will hold our Annual Revival on Sunday, April 14. Please save the date. Our guest preacher will be Dr. Roger Gilbert of Mt. Airy, N.C. There will be a 11:00 a.m. worship service and an 7:00 p.m. evening service. Special music during the evening service will be presented by Middle Swamp Baptist Church. A covered dish dinner will be served from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. The church will provide the meat and we ask that you please bring a covered dish or dessert.

For anyone wanting to place flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, all dates are available through June 30, and July 14 through August 14 are available. Please call the church office to reserve the date.

A brief Quarterly Conference will be held on Sunday, April 21 after Worship service.

April 24 is Administrative Assistants Day, and April 28 is Music Ministry Appreciation Day. Baskets will be available Monday Thru Thursday, 8:30-5:00, and on Sunday during Sunday school and worship service if anyone would like to leave cards or small gifts. They will be placed outside the church office door.

A nursery is available during the worship service for children under the age of five.

Thank you for all the many kindnesses I received since my fall and stay at home. My church is wonderful, and I am feeling very loved. *Booker Daniel*

In Memory of Bern Griffin Davenport: Landmark Organization, Inc., M. Marston



**MURFREESBORO
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

**The Lord's Day, April 7, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter**

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *With High Delight Let Us Unite* Henry Balcombe

*Gathering Hymn No. 268 *The Bond of Love* SKILLINGS

We are one in the bond of love; we are one in the bond of love.
We have joined our spirits with the spirit of God; we are one in the bond of love.

Let us praise Jesus Christ the Son, praise Him now for the work begun.
Let us join our hands that the world may know we are one in the bond of love.

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

Ministry Opportunities Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship Psalm 133 (NRSV)

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard,
on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**
It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.
For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 217 Alleuia! Sing to Jesus HYMN TO JOY

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Acts Lesson Acts 4:32-35 Mark Gaskins

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Lesson 1 John 1:1 - 2:2 Mark Gaskins

The Word of the Lord.

Praise His Holy Name!

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

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 210 I Know That My Redeemer Lives DUKE STREET

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory Crown Him With Many Crowns/Trumpet Voluntary arr. Marilyn Ham

*Doxology 706 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow OLD 100TH

Message in Song In the Garden Miles/Larson

Scripture and Sermon John 21:1-22 Mark Gaskins
The Lord of New Beginnings

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 627 Victory in Jesus HARTFORD

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude Lift High the Cross arr. Gordon Young

***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 Second Sunday of Easter, the season in which we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and reflect on what it means for our lives and our life together as followers of Jesus. The color for today is white, symbolizing our risen Lord's glory.

Dr. Mark E. Gaskins, Pastor
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist & Choir Director
Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

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.
Tuesday: Deacons' Meeting 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday: Kids' Club 6:00-6:45 P.M.
Choir Practice 6:00 P.M.
Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Tom & Ann Caulkins Randy & Cheryl Whitley

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