

Using their Gifts to Serve in May:

Deacon of the Month of May:	Charlie Cole
May Radio Ministry Sponsor	T.W. and Debbie Hill
Opening of the Church in May:	Garth Faile
Ushers for May:	Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, Mike Alston, and Jay Revelle
Ushers for June:	Don Johnson, Wayne Brown, Bruce Brown, and Hunter Brown
Caregiver for May 19 – June 1	David and Carole Farnham

Sunday, June 2nd is Graduate Recognition Sunday. There will be a breakfast at 8:45 a.m. for our graduates and their families (including grandparents) and our other youth to celebrate this milestone for Elizabeth Brown and Will Revelle as they graduate from Ridgcroft School. We will also recognize Elizabeth and Will in our worship service and present them with a gift from our congregation.

VBS 2024 will be held 9:30 am-12 noon July 22-26. This year's theme is *Camp Firelight: A Summer Camp Adventure with God*. Children from age 3 to the completion of fifth grade are welcome to attend. Dr. Mark Gaskins will provide the daily Bible study. Leaders for snacks, music, and crafts are already in place. Volunteers are needed to lead crews, lead recreation, or assist with crafts. If you are interested in helping with VBS, please let Sarah Davis know.

For anyone wanting to place flowers in the sanctuary beginning Sunday, May 26 all dates are available through July 14, and July 28 through August 18 are available. Please call the church office to reserve the date.

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



MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, May 19, 2024 Pentecost Sunday

We Gather to Worship

Prelude	<i>Come, Father, Son and Holy Ghost</i>	arr. Thomas Bliss
*Gathering Hymn No. 225	<i>On Pentecost They Gathered</i> (verses 1 & 4)	ST. THEODULPH
On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day, a band of Christ's disciples to worship, sing, and pray. A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air, and tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.		
O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago, rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow. O give us hearts to listen and tongues aflame with praise, so folks of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise.		
Words of Welcome	The Lord be with you! And also with you!	
Ministry Opportunities	Mark Gaskins	
Call to Worship	Psalm 104:24, 30-34 (NRSV)	
O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works— who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.		

**Please stand as you are able.*

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 228 *A Rushing Mighty Wind* FESTAL SONG

Children's Sermon Mark Gaskins

Epistle Lesson Romans 8:22-27 Sarah Davis

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Sarah Davis

The Word of the Lord.

Praise His Holy Name!

The Church at Prayer

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 229 *Let Every Christian Pray* LAUDES DOMINI

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory *May Thy Holy Spirit* Tschesnokoff/Sanborn

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

Message in Song *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* Getty & Townend/McDonald

Scripture and Sermon Acts 2:1-21 Mark Gaskins
Power Source

We Respond to God's Word

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Quiet Meditation and Confession

Prayer Chorus

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Communion Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

The Bread and Cup

*Hymn of Response No. 235 *Breathe On Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude *The Trumpet of the Morning* Franklin Ritter

***Please remain seated until the conclusion of the music.*

To our guests . . .

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 Pentecost Sunday, when we commemorate and celebrate how God poured out the Holy Spirit on the church, and contemplate this event's significance in salvation history and in our lives as Jesus' disciples and our life together as his church. The color for today is red, symbolizing the fire of the Holy Spirit.

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.
	Sunday School	10:00 A.M.
	Worship	11:00 A.M.
	Youth Group	5:30 P.M.
Wednesday:	Choir Practice	6:00 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Tom & Ann Caulkins Randy & Cheryl Whitley

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