

Using their Gifts to Serve in June:

Deacon of the Month of June:	Lynette Bunch
June Radio Ministry Sponsor	Diane Dixon
Opening of the Church in June:	Colon Ballance and Wayne Brown
Ushers for June:	Don Johnson, Wayne Brown, Bruce Brown, and Hunter Brown
Ushers for July:	Johnny Jenkins, Freddie Bazen, Bob Lee, and Hunter Brown
Caregivers for June 16 – June 29:	Sara Frances Hill
Communion Sunday:	Today, June 23

Applications are now being accepted for the two scholarships available to Murfreesboro Baptist Church members and their children. The Robert E. Lee, III Scholarship is awarded to Chowan University students. The Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker Scholarship is awarded to students attending any institution of higher education, but with a preference toward those studying at Chowan University. Applications are available in the church office and must be completed by July 31, 2024

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. There will be a Vacation Bible School meeting on Monday, June 24 at 7:00 p.m.

For anyone wanting to place flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday, June 30, July 14, and July 28 through August 18. 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, June 23, 2024 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Converse/Lind
Winslow Gallop, pianist

*Gathering Hymn No. 360 *We Will Glorify* (verses 1 & 3) WE WILL GLORIFY

We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
we will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I Am.
He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to Him we give.

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

Ministry Opportunities Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship Psalm 3 (NRSV)
O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;
many are saying to me, "There is no help for you in God."
**But you, O LORD, are a shield around me, my glory, and the one who lifts up my head.
I cry aloud to the LORD, and he answers me from his holy hill.**

**Please stand as you are able.*

I lie down and sleep; I wake again, for the LORD sustains me.
I am not afraid of ten thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.

Rise up, O LORD! Deliver me, O my God!

For you strike all my enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked.

Deliverance belongs to the LORD; may your blessing be on your people!

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 334 *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* AMSTERDAM

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 49:8-16 Mark Gaskin

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 11:28-30 Mark Gaskins

The Word of the Lord.

Praise His Holy Name!

The Church at Prayer

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 377 *There Is a Redeemer* GREEN

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory *Come to the Table* Allen Pote

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

Scripture and Sermon Romans 8:12-39 Mark Gaskins

Suffering and the Saints:

"A Soft Pillow for a Weary Head"

We Respond to God's Word

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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

The Bread and Cup

*Hymn of Response No. 50 *How Lovely, God, How Lovely* MERLE'S TUNE

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude *Marching to Zion* Garrett Parker

***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 the Fifth 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 & 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.
Monday:	VBS Meeting	7:00 P.M.
Wednesday:	Choir Practice	6:00 P.M.

Wednesday Evening Prayer and Bible Study will resume August 7, 2024.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Tom & Ann Caulkins Randy & Cheryl Whitley

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