

The flowers are given today by Booker Daniel in honor and appreciation of all Deacons, past, present and future. Prayerfully consider the upcoming deacon election in September.

Using their Gifts to Serve in August:

Deacon of the Month of August:	Charlie Gallop
August Radio Ministry Sponsor	Armando and Bardin Torres
Opening and Closing the Church:	Sarah Davis
Ushers for August:	Colon Ballance, Armando Torres, Charlie Cole, and Garth Faile
Ushers for September:	Jay Revelle, Ronnie Coltrain, Hal Thomas, and Charlie Gallop
Caregivers for August 11-August 24:	Charlie and Dell Aycock

The Deacons will meet on Tuesday, August 13 at 6:00 p.m.

Blessing of the Backpacks will be held on August 18. All children and youth are encouraged to bring their backpacks and participate as the church blesses you for the new school year.

MBC is collecting school supplies for Hertford County Public Schools. The collection box will be in the connector from now until the end of Aug. Supplies needed are: notebook paper (wide ruled and college ruled), spiral notebooks (wide ruled and college ruled), composition notebooks, three ring binders, folders (with pockets), pencils (wooden and mechanical), pens (black and blue), markers, colored pencils, crayons, and erasers. Clear bookbags and lunch bags are also needed. This is a requirement for all HCPS students. We are also accepting monetary donations for clear bookbags to be purchased. If you have any questions, please see Sarah Davis.

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, October 13th, as we welcome back The Reverent Quartet at 5:00 pm! They came and led us in worship last year as part of our Homecoming Celebration, and they were so well received that we were asked to please have them back. Bring several friends!

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday for any special occasion, (memorial, anniversary, birthday, etc.) on any given date, 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, August 11, 2024 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* arr. Alfred Fedak

*Gathering Hymn No. 38 *Thy Word* (verse 1) THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be with me to the end.

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Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 130 (NRSV)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

**If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

**Please stand as you are able.*

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD!

**For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.
It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.**

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 601 *O How I Love Jesus* O HOW I LOVE JESUS

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Old Testament Lesson Micah 6:6-8 Elizabeth Brown

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson Matthew 7:21-27 Elizabeth Brown

The Word of the Lord.

Praise His Holy Name!

The Church at Prayer

Call to Prayer

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

*Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 68 *He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought* HE LEADETH ME

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* arr. David Schwoebel

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

Message in Song *Order My Steps* Glenn Burleigh

Scripture and Sermon Ephesians 4:17 - 5:2 Mark Gaskins

Walk This Way

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 496 *Footsteps of Jesus* FOOTSTEPS

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude *Wherever He Leads, I'll Go* B.B. McKinney

***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 twelfth 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.
Tuesday:	Deacons' Meeting	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday:	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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