

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 Food Bank of the Albemarle will be here on Tuesday, August 20. Volunteers are needed and should arrive by 1:30 p.m.

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 18, 2024
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* Spiritual/Livingston

*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!

Ministry Opportunities

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 130 (NRSV)

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

**Please stand as you are able.*

He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever.

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 319 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

Blessing of the Backpacks (*see insert*) Sarah Davis and Mark Gaskins

Old Testament Lesson *Proverbs 9:1-6* Sarah Davis

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson *Mark 12:28-34* Sarah Davis

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. 281 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* BEECHER

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings Mark Gaskins

Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins

Offertory *How Great Thou Art* Hine/Hayes

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

Message in Song *He Keeps Me Singing* arr. Mary McDonald

Scripture and Sermon *Ephesians 5:15-21* Mark Gaskins

Walking Wisely

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 417 *Fill the Earth with Music* WYE VALLEY

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Commission and Benediction Mark Gaskins

**Postlude *Hymn to Joy* Beethoven/Broughton

***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 thirteenth 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:	Food Bank of the Albemarle	1:30 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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