

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Charlie and Dell Aycock in honor of their grand girls, Audrey, Lainey, Libbie, and Char.

### Using their Gifts to Serve in October:

Deacon of the Month of October:	Wayne Brown
October Radio Ministry Sponsor	Mark and JoAnn Gaskins
Opening and Closing the Church:	Colon Ballance and Wayne Brown
Ushers for October:	Charlie Aycock and Lloyd Hill
Ushers for November:	Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, and Mike Alston
Caregivers for October 20-November 2:	David and Carole Farnham

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. A special basket will be outside the pastor's office for anyone who would like to leave a card, message, gift, etc. to show Mark how much he is appreciated in our church family.

Trunk or Treat will be held this evening from 5:30-7:00 pm. We will have a pizza dinner before the children visit the trunks. If you would be willing to provide drinks, chips, or fruit for the pizza dinner, please let Sarah Davis know. Trunks with treats are needed as well. This is a community event so please invite children in the community to join us.

Operation Thanksgiving Blessings is a project led by David Burke from Margarettsville. The goal is to provide a Thanksgiving meal for over 5,000 western NC residents affected by Hurricane Helene. A part of this project is to collect gently used Bibles (any translation) to share with residents who lost most of all of their possessions. If you have a gently used Bible or Bibles that you can share, please bring them to the church by November 24, and they will be sent on to western NC for distribution. Visit the Facebook Page OPERATION THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS for more information.

If you volunteered to bring food items for the MBC Food Pantry, please remember to bring your selected items no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

#### In Memory of Janet Gibbs Vincent:

Diane Dixon and Hope, Garth and Erin Faile, Earlene Futrell, and Gertrude Revelle

#### In Memory of Peggy Copeland McLean:

T.W. and Debbie Hill, Mary Booker Daniel, William Hall, Lisa Herring Mende, T.A. Loving Company, Jay and Brandy Womble, Ben Sutton, Jr. and Family, Bill and Kim Ward, Frankie and Beverly Marion, Ester Ivey Nagypal, Bess and Win Walker, Bubba and Jackie Bundy, Pizza Inn Corporate, Van and Emily Revelle Beck, David and Sandra Callis, Laura and Bill Rogers, Margaret Murray, Chuck and Bonnie Revelle, and Robert and Lisa Turner.



## MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

*Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.*

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### The Lord's Day, October 27, 2024 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

#### *We Gather to Worship*

Prelude *Be Thou My Vision* arr. David Allen

\*Gathering Hymn No. 342 *He is Exalted* HE IS EXALTED

He is exalted. the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him!  
He is exalted. forever exalted, and I will praise His name!  
He is the Lord; forever His truth shall reign.  
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.  
He is exalted. the King is exalted on high

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!

**And also with you!**

Ministry Opportunities

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-8, 15, 18-19, 22 (NRSV)

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.  
O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

**I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

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*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.  
O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.**

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.  
The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.  
Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.

**The LORD redeems the life of his servants;  
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

Invocation Mark Gaskins

### *We Hear God's Word*

\*Hymn of Praise No. 418 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

Children's Sermon Sarah Davis

Epistle Lesson Philippians 4:10-20 Frances Cole  
The Word of God, for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson Luke 12:22-32 Charlie Cole  
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. 315 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* MIT FREUDEN ZART

Thanksgiving with Our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory Prayer Mark Gaskins  
Offertory O Worship the King McDonald/Kraus  
\*Doxology 706 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

Anthem You Are Lord Pepper Choplin

Scripture and Sermon 1 Kings 17:1-16 Mark Gaskins  
Our Obedience, God's Provision

### *We Respond to God's Word*

\*Hymn of Response No. 66 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* RESIGNATION

### *We Go Forth with God's Blessing*

\*Commission and Benediction Dr. Gaskins

\*\*Postlude *Gavotte* Bach/Scott

*\*\*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 twenty-third 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 . . .**

<b>Sunday: Radio Broadcast, 98.3 FM</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Wednesday: Kids' Club</b>	<b>6:00 P.M.</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>10:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>	<b>6:15 P.M.</b>
<b>Worship</b>	<b>11:00 A.M.</b>	<b>Prayer and Bible Study</b>	<b>7:00 P.M.</b>
<b>Trunk or Treat</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>		

*Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:*

Phil Royce   Tom & Ann Caulkins   Randy & Cheryl Whitley

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