

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Bruce and Liz Brown in memory of their grandson, Fletcher Pierce.

Using their Gifts to Serve in November:

Deacon of the Month of November:	Bruce Brown
November Radio Ministry Sponsor	Linda Hassell
Opening and Closing the Church:	Bruce Brown
Ushers for November:	Steve Fowler, T.K. Warren, and Mike Alston
Caregivers for November 17-November 30:	Mary Etta Flowers

The Food Bank of the Albemarle will be here on Tuesday, November 19. Volunteers are needed and should arrive by 1:30 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are due back in the church library today. If you forgot your shoebox today, please have it at the church by 11:00 tomorrow morning (Monday, November 18).

A second date to take photos for the MBC Church Directory will be on Wednesday, November 20. You may reserve your time online at www.ucdir.com. The church code is: NC520. The password is: Photos. You may also contact Dell Aycock: 1-804-690-1921 or email: aycock2@coastalnet.com.

Sunday, November 24 at 5:00 p.m. the First Baptist Church of Murfreesboro will host the Community Thanksgiving Service. The sermon will be by Pastor Sandy Outlaw of New Vision Ministries.

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

In Memory of Janet Gibbs Vincent:

Charles and Bonnie Revelle, Rebecca Willson, Jerry and Kim Townsend, and
Bruce and Liz Brown

In Memory of Charles Dudley (JoAnn Gaskins' brother):

Diane Dixon



MURFREESBORO

BAPTIST CHURCH

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Love God. Follow Jesus. Serve Others.

The Lord's Day, November 17, 2024

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The One Hundred Seventy-Sixth Year Since Our Founding

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *You Are My Hiding Place* Michael Ledner

*Gathering Hymn No. 49 *As the Deer* (verse 1) AS THE DEER

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.
You alone are my strength, my shield, to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee.

Words of Welcome

The Lord be with you!
And also with you!

Ministry Opportunities

Mark Gaskins

Call to Worship

Psalm 146 (NRSV)

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

**Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.
From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised.
The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.**

Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,
who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

**Please stand as you are able.*

**He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.
He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the LORD!**

Invocation Mark Gaskins

We Hear God's Word

*Hymn of Praise No. 354 *Praise Him! Praise Him!* JOYFUL SONG

Children's Sermon Mark Gaskins

Epistle Lesson 2 Corinthians 4:7-14 Sarah Davis
The Word of God, for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson Mark 6:30-32 Sarah Davis
The Word of the Lord.
Praise His Holy Name!

An Account of the Founding of Murfreesboro Baptist Church Mark Gaskins

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 *I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord* Fillmore/Drennan
*Doxology 706 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100TH

Anthem *Stand By Me* Spiritual/Harlan

Scripture and Sermon 1 Kings 19:1-18 Mark Gaskins
How to Survive a Pity Party

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn of Response No. 629 *Be Strong in the Lord* STRENGTH

We Go Forth with God's Blessing

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment Mark Gaskins

*Commission and Benediction

**Postlude *Life Eternal* Gerald Peterson

***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-sixth 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.	Tuesday:	Food Bank of the	
Sunday School	10:00 A.M.		Albemarle	1:30 P.M.
Worship	11:00 A.M.	Wednesday:	Church Directory Photos	
Youth Group	5:30 P.M.		Kids' Club	6:00 P.M.
			Choir Practice	6:15 P.M.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Phil Royce Tom & Ann Caulkins Randy & Cheryl Whitley

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