

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in honor and in memory of all Murfreesboro Baptist Church members by Sara Frances Hill.

Sound System Operator Next Week:	Justin Peterson/Nate Place
Caregiver This Week:	Dave and Carole Farnham
Acolyte Today/Next Week:	Grace Harders/Logan Harders
Nursery Caregivers Today/Next Week:	Sarah Davis and Patricia Torres Ciera Cox and Patricia Torres
January Radio Ministry Sponsor:	Don and Lynn Johnson
Opening of the Church in January:	Charlie Gallop
Ushers for January:	Johnny Jenkins, Kirk Peterson, Bob Lee, and Tim Place
Ushers for February:	Colon Ballance, Bob Turner, Charlie Cole, and Garth Faile
Deacon of the Month for January:	Debbie Hill
Deacon of the Month for February:	Ronnie Coltrain

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sun.	Bible Study	10:00	Tues.	Food Bank of the Albemarle	2:30
	Radio Broadcast, 98.3	10:00	Wed.	Kids' Club	6:00
	Worship	11:00		Youth Group	6:30
Mon.	Administrative Office Closed			Adult Study - 1 Cor. 10:10-18	6:30
	K&C Group	10:00		Choir Rehearsal	6:50

The Administrative Office will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

The Food Bank of the Albemarle will be here Tuesday, January 21. Volunteers should arrive by 2:30

p.m.

Kids' Club is once again participating in Souper Bowl of Caring. We will be collecting cans of soup from now until Feb 2. Please bring your cans of soup to the box in the connector by Feb 2. All soup will be placed in the church food pantry.

Donations are being accepted for the new Memorial Garden Project. Please mark your check or envelope "Memorial Garden."

Paul Baxley, the new Executive Coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, will be hosting a discussion at FBC Ahsoskie at 2:30 on Sunday, February 2nd. As a sister CBF congregation, FBC Ahsoskie has invited MBC and its members to join in the conversation. This is a great opportunity to learn more about CBF life and to engage with another local CBF congregation. If you are interested in attending, please let Lane know or call the church office.

2020 Offering Envelopes are now available in the church library. The boxes are labeled and if you do not see your name, please contact the church office.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Lori Lowe	Bern Davenport	Jennifer Moore	Clif and Janet Collins
Becky Dickerson	Jeanne Parker	Cheryl Whitley	Carol Piper

Murfreesboro Baptist Church is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.

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MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH



January 19, 2020
Second Sunday After Epiphany

Rev. Lane Bass, Pastor
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist and Choir Director
Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *When Thou Art Near* Bach/Schreiner

WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS Rev. Lane Bass

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 366
O God Beyond All Praising (verse 1) THAXTED

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift You send, at blessings without number and mercies without end;
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your Word,
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

O God, prepare us, through the active presence of your Holy Spirit, to come before you worthily and ask of You rightly. Enlighten our understanding, purify our every desire, encourage our wills to instant obedience to your Word, strengthen every right purpose, direct this hour of worship to the magnifying of Your name, and to the enduring good of us your children and servants. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SPOKEN CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 40 Dr. Keith Reich

I have waited patiently for the LORD;
He inclined His ear and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the desolate pit,
And set my feet upon a rock.
He put a new song in my mouth,
A song of praise to our God.
I delight to do your will, O God;
Your law is within my heart.
I have not restrained my lips,
But I have told the glad news of deliverance.
I have not hidden your saving help,
But I have spoken of your salvation.
O LORD, do not withhold your mercy from us,
But let your steadfast love and faithfulness keep us safe forever.

INVOCATION Dr. Reich

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 48
Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

CHILDREN'S CHOIR *If You're Happy and You Know It*

CHILDREN'S SERMON Mrs. Brooke Reich

GOSPEL READING John 1:29-42
The Word of God, for the People of God.
Thanks be to God

WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER Rev. Bass

SILENT PRAYERS

CORPORATE PRAYER Rev. Bass

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING NO. 601
O How I Love Jesus O HOW I LOVE JESUS

WE RETURN OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*OFFERTORY SENTENCE Dr. Reich

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The Light of the World Is Jesus* Bliss/Hayes

*DOXOLOGY NO. 706
Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow OLD 100TH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

*OFFERTORY PRAYER Dr. Reich

WE LISTEN FOR GOD

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 49:1-6
The Word of God, for the People of God.
Thanks be to God

MESSAGE IN SONG *We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light* arr. Hal Hopson

MESSAGE IN WORD "Don't Settle for the Light Thing" Rev. Bass

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 649
Christ, You Call Us All to Service IN BABILONE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata Liturgique* Dennis Eliot

**Denotes that the congregation may stand.*

To our guests this morning...

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to worship today at Murfreesboro Baptist Church. We believe that worshipping together is one of the most important activities we do as a church, strengthening our faith and drawing our attention to God, who created us, calls us, and sustains us by the power of the Holy Spirit. In keeping with New Testament practices, we believe that worship rightly involves every member of the congregation, and not just the few people in leadership roles. We encourage active participation in worship through responsive readings, corporate prayer, giving our tithes and offerings, and singing hymns together.

As Baptists, we emphasize the reading and preaching of the Bible, God's written word. We also practice believers' baptism, and at the end of each service, we invite those who are not already believers to make a public profession of faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior. On the first Sunday of the month, we share the Lord's Supper, which is open to all baptized Christians.

As members of the larger body of Christ, meanwhile, we affirm our kinship with our fellow believers in other traditions and around the world by following the seasons of the church year. This is the season of Epiphany. The color for the season is white, symbolizing the holiness of Jesus Christ the Lord.