

The flowers are given by Sarah Davis to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the community of believers at Murfreesboro Baptist Church.

Sound System Operator Today/Next Week: Matty Grace Gilliam/Steve Harders
 Caregivers This Week: Lynette Bunch
 Acolytes Today/Next Week: Claire Place/Nate Place
 Nursery Caregivers Today/Next Week: Lorie Harders, Mollie Madden, and Patricia Torres/
 Steve Harders, and Patricia Torres
 September Radio Ministry Sponsor: Lloyd and Tommie Hill
 Opening of the Church in September: Freddie Bazen
 Ushers for September: David Farnham, Ronnie Coltrain, Jay Revelle, and Charles Gallop
 Ushers for October: Raymond Benthall, Charlie Aycock, Lloyd Hill, and Keith Reich
 Deacon of the Month: Frances Cole

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 & Youth Group	6:30
	Worship	11:00		Fall Adult Study	6:40
Mon.	K&C Group	10:00		Choir Rehearsal	6:50

Please join us after services for lunch, the Church Quarterly Conference, and the Ministry Fair.

The Food Bank of the Albemarle will be here on Tuesday, September 11. Volunteers should arrive by 2:30 p.m.

Fall Adult Study begins Wednesday, September 12 at 6:40 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will consider Richard Foster's book *Celebration of Discipline*. In the book he introduces us to 12 spiritual disciplines and helps us consider ways that we may practice those disciplines ourselves so that we might grow deeper in our faith.

New Year's Eve Breakfast given by the Old Men's Sunday School Class in conjunction with the Ladies' Class invite every church member and a guest for breakfast on Sunday morning, September 20, at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please call the church office to make your reservations by Monday, September 24.

Chowan University International students have returned. The students are in need of twin size sheets, twin size blankets, pillows, new or used microwave, and new or used micro refrigerators. Donations may be put in the International Student Box in the connector.

Our Food Pantry is in need of restocking. All Items are needed including: mayonnaise, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, soups, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned tuna, canned milk, pancake mix & syrup, peanut butter & jelly, and cereal. Donations may be made Monday thru Friday 8:30 am until 1:30 pm or during any church activity.

Sunday, September 16, 23, and 30 are available if anyone would like to place flowers in the sanctuary. Please call the church office to reserve the date.

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

Lori Lowe Bern Davenport Jennifer Moore
 Jeanne Parker Cheryl Whitley Billy Futrell Carol Piper

In Honor of Thomas and Ann Caulkins: Mr. & Mrs. Charles L. Revelle, III
 In Memory of Bob Freeman Hill, Sr: Dodson Doughtie
 In Memory of Viola Meade, Lorene Paul's Sister: Lynn Gray and Dodson Doughtie
 In Memory of Charles and Margaret Revelle: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Revelle, III

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MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH



September 9, 2018

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Lane Bass, Pastor
 Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist and Choir Director
 Mr. Sean Timmons, Youth Ministry Intern
 Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Prelude in G Major* Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS Rev. Lane Bass

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 619
Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine (verse 3) ASSURANCE

Perfect submission, All is at rest. I in my Savior am happy and blest; watching and waiting,
 looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love
 This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
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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 146

Dr. Eley Whitehead

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!
We will praise the LORD as long as we live.
Do not put your trust in princes, in whom there is no help;
For when their breath departs, they return to the earth.
But happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob;
Glad are those whose hope is in the LORD their God,
God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is;
Who keeps faith forever;
Who brings justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry;
Who sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD our God lifts up those who are bowed down;
And He upholds the orphan and the widow.
The LORD our God is righteous and shall reign forever!
Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

INVOCATION

Dr. Whitehead

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 319

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Mr. Charlie Cole

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 7:24-30

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. 629

Be Strong in the Lord

STRENGTH

WE RETURN OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Dr. Whitehead

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Nothing But the Blood

Lowry/Tornquist

*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. Whitehead

WE LISTEN FOR GOD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35

The Word of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE IN SONG

Sing a New Song

Stan Pethel

MESSAGE IN WORD

"Eternal Promise; Timeless Hope"

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

March

G.F. Handel

**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. We are currently in the season of Pentecost. The color for the season is green, symbolizing the growth we experience as disciples of Christ Jesus.