

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Bruce and Liz Brown.

Caregiver for This Week:	Earlene Futrell
June Radio Ministry Sponsor:	Lynn Gray
Opening of the Church in June:	Jay Revelle
Opening of the Church in July:	Freddie Bazen
Ushers for June:	Don Johnson, Wayne Brown, Bruce Brown, and Brinson Paul
Ushers for July:	Johnny Jenkins, Freddie Bazen, Bob Lee, and Hunter Brown
Deacon of the Month for June:	Jay Revelle
Deacon of the Month for July:	Mike Alston

## This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sun.	Radio Broadcast, 98.3	10:00	Wed.	Handbell Choir	6:00
	Worship	11:00		Choir Rehearsal	6:30
Tues.	Food Bank of the Albemarle	2:30			

The Food Bank of the Albemarle will be here on Tuesday, June 15. Volunteers are needed and should arrive by 2:30.

VBS 2021: Knights of North Castle Mini-Vacation Bible School will continue this week on the evenings of June 15 and 17 from 6-7:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Davis.

Applications are now being accepted for the two scholarships available to Murfreesboro Baptist Church Members and their children. The Robert E. Lee, III Scholarship is awarded to Chowan University Students. The Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker Scholarship is awarded to students attending any institution of higher education, but with a preference toward those studying at Chowan. Applications are available in the church office and must be completed by July 31, 2021. The finance committee will award the scholarships and notify the recipients.

July 4, 25, and beyond are available for anyone wishing to place flowers in the Sanctuary each Sunday. Please contact the church office (398-3613) to reserve a date.

**In Memory of Rebecca Parker Pearce Dickerson:** Garth and Erin Faile, Judy Clark, Sarah T. Davis, Hugh Davis, Dr. & MRs John Davis, Percy and Lynette Bunch, and Diane Dixon

**In Memory of Jonathan Daniel McGee:** Judy Clark, Lloyd and Tommie Hill, Sarah Davis, Charlie and Frances Cole, Diane Dixon, Gene and Mary Etta Flowers, and Aldeen Gatewood

**In Memory of Jennifer Moore:** Tommy and Angela Moore

**In Memory of George Copeland:** Katherine Brett

**In Memory of Betty Jo McIntyre, Garth Faile's Sister:** Sara Frances Hill

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

Clif and Janet Collins	Bern Davenport	Tom and Ann Caulkins
Carol Piper	Doris Taylor	Cheryl Whitley

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# MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH



Sunday, June 13, 2021  
Third Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Lane Bass, Pastor  
Mrs. Paula Pressnell, Organist and Choir Director  
Mr. Jordan Brown, Youth Ministry Intern      Mr. Corbin Robertson, Youth Ministry Intern  
Rev. Thomas Caulkins, Pastor Emeritus

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE      *Meditation on This is the Day that the Lord Has Made*  
Arne/Bock

WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS      Rev. Lane Bass

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 601  
*O How I Love Jesus* (Verse 1)      O HOW I LOVE JESUS

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.  
Chorus: O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,  
because He first loved me. (Sing Chorus Twice)

*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 92 Rev. Bass  
(Congregation, please respond by reading bold type.)

It is good to give thanks to the LORD  
**And to sing praises to His name;**  
We declare Your steadfast love in the morning,  
**And Your faithfulness at night.**  
For you, O LORD, have made us glad by Your work;  
**We sing for joy at the work of your hands.**  
The righteous flourish like a palm tree,  
**They grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**  
The righteous are planted in the house of the LORD;  
**They flourish in the courts of our God.**  
The LORD is upright, and He is my rock;  
**There is no unrighteousness in Him.**

**INVOCATION** Rev. Bass

\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 354  
*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** Ms. Sarah Davis

**GOSPEL READING** Mark 4:30-32  
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. 349  
*To God Be the Glory*

**TO GOD BE THE GLORY**

### **WE RETURN OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

\*OFFERTORY SENTENCE Rev. Bass

**RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY** *My Tribute* Crouch/Hayes

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 706  
*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100™  
**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 Rev. Bass

### **WE LISTEN FOR GOD**

**MESSAGE IN SONG** *Grace* arr. Mark Hayes  
Calvin Carter, tenor

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
The Word of God, for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God**

**MESSAGE IN WORD** "God Doesn't Play by Our Rules" Rev. Bass

### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

**INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

\*HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 627  
*Victory in Jesus* HARTFORD

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Love Lifted Me* Smith/Pethel

*\*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.