

MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH



Deacon of the Month of March:
Deacon of the Month of April
March Radio Ministry Sponsor:
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Opening of the Church in March:
Opening of the Church in April:
Ushers for March:

Ronnie Coltrain
Jay Revelle
Johnny and Catherine Jenkins
Raymond and Susan Benthall
Mike Alston
Steve Fowler
Raymond Benthall, Ronnie Coltrain, Jay Revelle,
and Charlie Gallop
David Farnham, Hal Thomas, Lloyd Hill, and
Thomas Bird
Colon and Jane Ballance
Elizabeth Brown
Molly Brown
Winslow Gallop
Tommy McCormick

Ushers for April:

Caregiver for March 27 thru April 9:
Nursery Caregiver March 27:
Nursery Caregiver April 3:
Acolyte March 27:
Acolyte April 3:

This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sun.	Radio Broadcast, 98.3	10:00	Wed.	Handbell Choir	6:00
	Worship	11:00		Kids' Club	6:00
	Quarterly Conference	After Worship		Older Youth Group	6:00
				Choir Rehearsal	6:30

The quarterly conference that had been scheduled for February 27 has been rescheduled for March 27. This will take place immediately following worship. Please make plans to attend.

If you would like to place an Easter lily in the church on Easter Sunday in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the church office by Monday, April 4. The cost is \$21.40 each.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Wednesday, April 13 at 6 pm. Eggs are located in the connector. Please pick up some eggs and fill them with candy, stickers, small toys, or money and return the eggs to the library by 5:00 on April 13.

Holy week services will be as follows: Maundy Thursday Service will be held on Thursday April 14 at 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service will be held on Friday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m.

The church is in the process of freshening up our Christmas greenery and decorations. If you would like to donate funds to help with this project, please do so by marking your donation "Christmas Decorations".

Please remember these friends who cannot worship with us regularly:

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

Murfreesboro Baptist Church is a Cooperative Baptist Fellowship congregation.

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Sunday, March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

At the Name of Jesus

Milburn Price

WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS

Rev. Lane Bass

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 571

You Are My All in All

JERNIGAN

You are my strength when I am weak, You are the treasure that I seek; You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool; You are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!
Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless Your name; You are my all in all
When I fall down, You pick me up; when I am dry, You'll fill my cup; You are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

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 32

Mr. Jordan Brown

(Congregation, please respond by reading bold type.)

Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven;

We are glad when our sin is covered.

Let us acknowledge our sin before you.

We will confess our transgressions to the LORD.

Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you,

For you will forgive the guilt of our sin.

You shall be for us a hiding place,

You will surround us with deliverance.

So let us be glad in the LORD;

Let us rejoice

For the LORD our God is full of grace

Let us rejoice, for He is abounding in mercy.

INVOCATION

Mr. Brown

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 344

Glorious Is Thy Name

GLORIOUS NAME

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Bass

NEW TESTAMENT READING

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER

Rev. Bass

SILENT PRAYERS

CORPORATE PRAYER

Rev. Bass

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING NO. 383

Near to the Heart of God

McAFEE

WE RETURN OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Rev. Bass

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Wilson/Drennan

*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

Rev. Bass

WE LISTEN FOR GOD

MESSAGE IN SONG

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Hastings/Strite

GOSPEL READING

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Luke 15:11-32

Thanks be to God

MESSAGE IN WORD

“Which One Are You?”

Rev. Bass

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 586

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

MOODY

As we sing, you are invited and encouraged to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. The altar is open for silent prayers and the pastor is available to pray with you. Whether you are feeling called to faith for the first time, called to reaffirm your faith, or called to join this local body of disciples, we invite you to come as we sing.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Adoration

Jacques Lemmens

**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 Lent. The color for the season is purple, which is the color of the robe the soldiers placed upon Jesus as they mocked him before the crucifixion. (Mark 16:17)