The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Gene and Mary Etta Flowers in memory of her mother, Melba A. Ward.

#### Using their Gifts to Serve in August

Deacon of the Month of August: Thomas Bird

August Radio Ministry Sponsor: Wayne and Shirley Brown

Opening of the Church in August: Sarah Davis

Ushers for August: Colon Ballance, Armando Torres, Charlie Cole, and

Garth Faile

Ushers for September: Jay Revelle, Ronnie Coltrain, Hal Thomas, and

Charlie Gallop

Caregiver for July 14-August 27: Charlie and Dell Aycock

Nursery Caregiver: Sarah Davis

# This Week at Murfreesboro Baptist Church...

Sun. Radio Broadcast, 98.3 10:00 Tues. Pastoral Search Committee Meets 6:00
Worship 11:00 Wed. Choir Practice 6:00

Please welcome Dr. R. Richard (Rick) Bailey to the pulpit this morning.

Deacon Elections will be held today after worship service.

The Pastoral Search Committee will meet on Tuesday, August 23 at 6:00 p.m. at the Felton House on the corner of High Street and Union Street, Murfreesboro.

**Big Wednesday will be on Wednesday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m.** Mary Etta will serve fried chicken, potato salad, butterbeans, deviled eggs, rolls and dessert (\$10.00 Per Plate). Please call the church office to make your reservations by Thursday, September 1.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study "Experiencing God" will begin Wednesday, September 7 following the Big Wednesday dinner. Please call the church office to register.

Volunteers are needed to help with the sound system during Sunday services. If you are interested, please contact Sarah Davis.

**Please bring school supplies** (notebook paper, notebooks, composition books, crayons, pencils, pens, binders, markers, and glue) to the box in the connector from now until mid-September. The supplies will be delivered to Hertford County Public Schools. Thank you.

Anyone wishing to place flowers in the Sanctuary beginning August 28, please contact the church office 398-3613 to reserve the date.

We are asking for volunteers to sign-up to help prepare for communion on October 2, November 6, and December 4. Please contact the church office. Prepackaged elements will continue to be available for those who prefer them.

#### 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

In Memory of Edgar Brinson Paul: Jimmy and Charlene Eason

In Memory of Percy Elvin Bunch: Jimmy and Charlene Eason, and Ray and Judy Felton

In Memory of Hugh Carroll Vincent, Jr.: Ray and Judy Felton

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# **MURFREESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH**



# August 21, 2022 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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# WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE Enter His Gates With Praise!

Richard Williamson

WELCOME OF WORSHIPERS

Mr. Charlie Cole

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 362

I Love You, Lord

I LOVE YOU, LORD

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You. O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

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 71:1-6

Mr. Cole

(Congregation, please respond by reading bold type.)

In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

INVOCATION Mr. Cole

\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 618

Love Lifted Me SAFETY

CHILDREN'S SERMON Ms. Sarah Davis

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 41:10

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God

# WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER Mr. Cole

SILENT PRAYERS

CORPORATE PRAYER Mr. Cole

\*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING NO. 640

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms SHOWALTER

#### WE RETURN OUR GIFTS TO GOD

\*OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Mr. Cole

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY I Surrender All Weeden/Schwoebel

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 706

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD  $100^{TH}$ 

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 Mr. Cole

### WE LISTEN FOR GOD

MESSAGE IN SONG

William Revnolds

GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:25-34

Share His Love

The Word of God, for the People of God.

Thanks be to God

MESSAGE IN WORD

"Finding the 8%"

Dr. R. Richard (Rick) Bailey

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH

#### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 620

Because He Lives RESURRECTION

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 Acclamation

Lyndell Leatherman

Please stay seated until the conclusion of the music.

\*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.