

Deacon Elections

Are Scheduled for Sunday, August 15, 2021

This insert is included in the August newsletter in keeping with our church by-laws regarding deacon elections. The by-laws require a letter informing the congregation of the date scheduled for deacon elections and the individuals in the congregation who are eligible to serve. This insert fulfills these requirements.

Please prayerfully consider the names on this list, asking the Holy Spirit's guidance in discerning who among us has the spiritual gifts, sound judgement, and Christian character needed for leadership at this time in our church's life. On August 15, we will call four church members to serve three-year terms as deacons. Church staff members, their families, spouses of currently serving deacons, and former deacons whose terms ended less than two years ago are not eligible and do not appear on this list.

Awuni, Jill

Bird, Thomas
Boyd, Heather
Boyd, Russell
Brett, Kathy Copeland
Britt, J. W., Jr
Broadhead, Christopher
Broadhead, Genevieve
Brown, Hunter
Brown, Liz
Brown, Sarah
Brown, Shirley
Bunch, Lynette
Bunch, Mike
Bunch, Vanessa
Bunch, Percy
Burgess, Brice
Burgess, Kyleen

Cavin, Karen
Cole, Charlie
Combs, Dorothy

Daniel, Booker
Davis, Sarah
Day, David, III
Dennis, Craig
Dilday, Howard
Dilday, Mabel
Dixon, Diane

Forbes, Lisa
Forbes, Tommy
Fowler, Sandra
Fowler, Steve

Gallop, Mariah

Harders, Lori
Harders, Steve
Hill, Carol
Hill, Shirley
T.W. Hill

Llewellyn, Jeff
Llewellyn, Patti

McCormick, Joel
McCormick, Lauren
McLean, Ben
McLean, Peg
Miles, Terry
Mitchell, Christina
Mitchell, Jennifer
Moore, Danny
Moore, Hallie
Moore, Lynne
Moore, South

Piper, Carol
Piper, Darren
Piper, Tracey
Place, Jennifer
Place, Tim

Revelle, John Page
Royce, Philip
Royce, Rosemary

Sumner, Chris
Sumner, Leslee
Surface, Sallie

Taylor, Gerald
Taylor, Jennifer
Thomas, Hal
Thomas, Kay
Torres, Christina
Torres, Jessica
Torres, Mary
Torres, Pat
Trent, Daynelle

Vincent, Hugh
Vincent, Janet

Warren, T. K.
Warren, Yvonne
White, Travis

Currently Serving

Mike Alston
Colon Ballance
Frances Cole (Rotating Off)
Ronnie Coltrain
Mary Etta Flowers
Charlie Gallop (Rotating Off)
Linda Hassell
Debbie Hill (Rotating Off)
Bob Lee
Brinson Paul (Rotating Off)
Rachel Peterson
Jay Revelle

Not Eligible Until 2022

Bruce Brown
Wayne Brown
Judy Clark

Not Eligible Until 2023

Frances Cole
Charlie Gallop
Debbie Hill
Brinson Paul



The Messenger

A Newsletter of the
Murfreesboro Baptist Church
August 2021

WORDS FROM THE PASTOR

With what attitude do we enter into our sanctuary for worship? Do we come for the simple fact that "this is where we're supposed to be on Sunday morning at 11:00?" Or do we come to worship each and every week with a sense of joy and expectation and newness and excitement? I certainly hope that it is the latter.

When Maggie sees Susan or me walk through the door she lights up and calls out and crawls quickly over to us. It's one of the best things in the world. But the thing is, she doesn't just do it when we get home in the afternoons. She does it when I walk out for a minute to roll the trashcan back from the street. She does it when Susan walks back into the living room after brushing her teeth.

No matter if we are away for a whole day or for just a couple of minutes, Maggie reacts the same way to seeing us again. She reacts with joy and expectation and newness and excitement. That is how we should be when we enter into our sanctuary for worship each week.

We can be so easily distracted by any number of things that don't matter that we lose sight of the one thing that does matter - our offering of worship to God. So, in the coming weeks and months, let us enter into worship as Jesus calls us to. When the disciples were worrying about this, that, and the other, Jesus set a child on his knee and told his disciples they should become like children.

Now, I don't know exactly what that means. But, I have a sneaking suspicion that I have a better chance of learning what it means from Maggie than I do from some adult who has written a book. And what I've learned so far is that we should be filled with joy and expectation and newness and excitement whenever we enter into the presence of the one who made us and loves us.

Grace & Peace,
Lane

Church DEACONS ELECTION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

Deacon elections will be held on Sunday, August 15, 2021. Included in this newsletter is a list of members that are eligible. Currently serving deacons, staff members, spouses of current deacons, and members who have been off the board fewer than two years are not included in the list. Please prayerfully consider who you will call to serve as a deacon for the next three years.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

Thank you notes were received in July from Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of North Carolina, Chowan University Service Association, and The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina

COME JOIN US FOR

Pancake And Sausage Breakfast

**Saturday,
August 7, 2021**



**8:00 A.M
Until
10:00 A.M.**

**Eat-In or Take-Out
Adults....\$8 Children 12 & Under.....\$5**

Tickets available in advance or at the door.

**All Proceeds Benefit
Backpack Buddies Ministry**

**Breakfast Located in
Murfreesboro Baptist Church
Church Fellowship Hall**



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



**CHILDREN'S
SUNDAY SCHOOL
WILL RESUME
AUGUST 15**

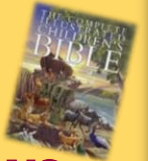
**Promotion
SUNDAY!
SEPTEMBER 5**



**KIDS' CLUB
RESUMES
SEPTEMBER 8**

**BLESSING OF THE
BACKPACK**

**AND
BIBLE
PRESENTATIONS
SEPTEMBER 12**



**CHILDREN'S CHURCH
RESUMES
SEPTEMBER 12**

**SCHOOL
SUPPLIES
NEEDED**



MBC will once again be collecting school supplies for Hertford County Public Schools. Notebooks, paper, pencils, pens, crayons, glue, and markers, etc. are needed. Please bring supplies to church by Aug. 31.

USING THEIR GIFTS TO SERVE IN AUGUST

Opening of the Church
Sarah Davis

Ushers

August, Colon Balance, T.W. Hill,
Charlie Cole, and Garth Faile
September, Raymond Benthall, Ronnie
Coltrain, Jay Revelle, Charles Gallop

Radio Ministry Sponsors

Wayne and Shirley Brown

Communion

August 4, Tommy Bird

Caregivers

August 1-14, Lynette Bunch
Aug. 15-28, Booker Daniel and Patty
Joyner
Aug. 29-Sept. 11, Garth and Erin Faile

Children's Sermon

Sarah Davis

Flowers

Aug. 1, Garth and Erin Faile; Aug. 8,
Available; Aug. 15, Available; Aug. 22,
Gene and Mary Etta Flowers; Aug. 29,
Available

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 FOR A CHURCH AND COMMUNITY



AND FELLOWSHIP CELEBRATION!

We'll gather for worship at 11:00 am with special music and testimonies followed by a time of socializing and good food. Invite your neighbors, family, friends, and their children as we meet for "Thanksgiving in September." This will be a time to engage with our members and connect with our community. The pork BBQ and trimmings will be prepared by our very own Hunter Brown. We ask that church families prepare some delicious desserts. A sign-up sheet listing what dessert you might bring will be located in the fellowship hall. Furthermore, if you'd like to offer up your talents to help in any way please call Frances Cole at 252-333-7457. Your talent may be helping with decorating, setting the fellowship hall, helping in the kitchen, cleaning up after, calling people to in order to collect a headcount, singing, playing an instrument, or be in prayer. Romans 12:4 says "for as in one body we have many members, and the not all the members have the same function."

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST



| | |
|-----------|-------------------|
| August 2 | Rusty Boyd |
| August 3 | Gertrude Revelle |
| August 6 | Raymond Benthall |
| August 10 | Liam Ballance |
| August 10 | Paula Pressnell |
| August 12 | John Revelle, III |
| August 14 | Lou Ann Gilliam |
| August 14 | Barbara Myers |
| August 14 | Elicia Revelle |
| August 18 | Phil Royce |
| August 20 | Lloyd Hill |
| August 22 | Lisa Forbes |
| August 22 | Nate Place |
| August 29 | Chris Torres |
| August 30 | Keith Reich |

Don't see your birthday? Please call the church office and let us know when your special day is.

BLESSINGS MINISTRIES

FOODBANK OF THE ALBEMARLE

Volunteers are needed Tuesday, August 17 by 2:30 p.m. in the church parking lot to distribute food.

FOOD PANTRY

If you have committed to help us keep our pantry filled, please remember to bring twelve of your selected items to the church before the last Monday of each month. As always, any donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 - 1:30
252-398-3613

www.murfbc.org

Church Office will be closed on
Monday, September 6
in observance of Labor Day

UPCOMING DATES

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|----------|-----------------------------|
| Aug. 7 | Pancake & Sausage Breakfast |
| Aug. 10 | Deacons' Meeting |
| Aug. 15 | Deacon Elections |
| Aug. 17 | Food Bank of the Albemarle |
| Sept. 5 | Promotion Sunday |
| Sept. 12 | Blessing of the Backpacks |
| Sept. 12 | Children's Church Resumes |
| Sept. 6 | Office Closed for Labor Day |
| Sept. 8 | Kids' Club Resumes |
| Sept. 14 | Deacons' Meeting |
| Sept. 21 | Food Bank of the Albemarle |

CHURCH STAFF

REV. LANE BASS

PASTOR

PAULA PRESSNELL.....ORGANIST & INTERIM
CHOIR DIRECTOR

TOM CAULKINS.....PASTOR EMERITUS
TERESA MARTIN ADMINISTRATIVE ASST

Our Shared Commitment to Supporting Missions and Ministry for July 2021

| | July 4 | July 11 | July 18 | July 25 | Monthly Total | For the Year |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Weekly Budget | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$3,942.31 | \$15,769.24 | \$169,519.33 |
| Weekly Tithes & Offerings | \$3,485.00 | \$1,831.00 | \$1,764.00 | \$2,860.00 | \$9,940.00 | \$157,318.98 |
| Other Income | | | | | | \$394.55 |
| Over (Under) | (\$457.31) | (\$2,111.31) | (\$2,278.31) | (\$1082.31) | (\$5,829.24) | (\$11,805.80) |

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