**The**

**Messenger**

***A Newsletter of the***

**Murfreesboro Baptist Church**

***September 2022***

**Big**

**Quarterly Conference**

**Sunday, September 11**

**2022-2023 Budget,**

**Nominations, and**

**Interim Minister**

If you are a member of Murfreesboro Baptist Church, you are eligible to vote on the proposed 2022-23 church budget and committee nominations. Please plan to stay for a business meeting following worship on Sunday, September 11, to cast your vote for or against these recommendations. These will be available for review that morning. Copies are also available in the office if you wish to review them beforehand. There will also be discussion and a vote for interim minister. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the church office.

**Words From**

**The Deacon Chair**

Dear Church Family,

We have had a wonderful month of August enjoying sermon delivery by Reverend Kelly Adams and Dr. Rick Bailey.  If you have not had a chance to hear one of their sermons, they are available on the Facebook page.  We are so blessed that the two of them will continue to cover services for us in the month of September.

Our Quarterly Conference is coming up on September 11th, where we will be presented with the finance committee’s proposed budget and the nominating committee’s pro-posed committee nominations for the 2022-23 fiscal year.  We will also open the floor for discussion on an interim pastor.  I pray you will each try to be in attendance for this very important time regarding our church’s future.

This will be my last letter to you as your deacon chair.  I want to thank you for allowing me to serve our church in such a critical time.

Peace and Love,

Rachel Peterson

**Deacons**

***Adults… $10 Per Plate***

***6:00 p.m.***

**Wednesday, September 7**

***It’s Back!***

**President and Mrs. Kirk E. Peterson**

**Invite you to join us for a**

**Ribbon Cutting & Open House**

to celebrate the opening of the

**University Admissions and Welcome House**

**Thursday, September 15th**

**At 10 o’clock in the morning**

Refreshments will follow a brief

celebration ceremony

**University Admissions and Welcome House**

**Chowan University**

100 High Street

Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Please respond before Friday, September 2nd to Twyla Duke at 252-398-1233 or duket@chowan.edu.

**BIG**

**WEDNESDAY**

***Mary Etta’s***

***Menu***

*Wednesday, September 7 at 6:30 pm.*

**Kid’s Club Will Resume**

All children from age 2 to 5th grade are welcome to attend. Kids’ Club includes Bible study, crafts and/or games, and music. On non “Big Wednesday” dates we will meet at 6:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please let Sarah Davis know.

*Sunday, September 18*

**Children’s Church**

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

After Children’s Church the congregation, children and youth will participate in a litany for the blessing of the backpacks. Children are asked to bring their backpacks to the service.

On behalf of our congregation and Deacon Board, we would like to offer a sincere and heartfelt thank you to the four deacons who will be rotating off: Mike Alston, Ronnie Coltrain, Jay Revelle, and Rachel Peterson (who has served as chairperson). We are blessed to have such faithful and committed men and women who are willing to serve our church and to do so gladly.

***Thank You***

***You***

*Join Us For A Special Celebration*

**Sunday, September 25**

*Featuring Music during*

*Worship Service by*

**The Chowan Singers**

**A Pot Luck Luncheon Will Follow**

The church will provide the meat and we ask that you bring a vegetable, casserole, or dessert.

Please call the church office

to make your reservations

by 12 noon Sept. 2.

***Served with…***

***Potato Salad, Butterbeans, Deviled Eggs, Rolls and Dessert***

***Fried Chicken***

On August 21, the congregation elected Susan Alston, Bruce Brown, Wayne Brown, and T.K. Warren, III to serve as deacons for the next three years. They will begin their three-year terms on October 1. Alternates are Mariah Gallop, Sara Frances Hill, and Bardin Torres. An ordination service for T.K. Warren and Installation Service for the four new deacons is scheduled for Sunday, September 18 during worship.

Please continue to pray for our board of deacons and their leadership in guiding our church in the upcoming years.

**Upcoming Dates**

***September 5***

**Office Closed for Labor Day**

***September 7***

**Big Wednesday**

**Kid’s Club Resumes**

**Bible Study**

***September 11***

**Quarterly Conference**

***September 13***

**Deacons’ Meeting**

***September 18***

**Children’s Church Resumes**

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

***September 20***

**Food Bank of the Albemarle**

***September 25***

**Special Music**

**The Chowan Singers and**

**Church Luncheon**

**Using Their Gifts To Serve In**

**September**

**Celebrating**

**Birthdays**

**In September**

If you are interested in being a caregiver in the upcoming year, please contact Judy Clark. If you are unable to visit, you may send cards and make phone calls. This is an important ministry of our church and lets those who cannot worship in person with us know that our church family cares about them.

**Church Staff**

**PAULA PRESSNELL**….......Organist & Choir

Director

**TOM CAULKIN**S…...……...Pastor Emeritus

**TERESA MARTIN**……..Administrative Asst.

**Caregivers Needed**

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

**September 2 Zakk Royce**

**September 7 Leah Faile**

**September 7 Jen Place**

**September 7 Allen Revelle, Jr.**

**September 8 Margaret Murray**

**September 9 Eleanor Boyd**

**September 9 Barbara Labbous**

**September 10 Clif Collins**

**September 11 Kyleen Burgess**

**September 12 Jo Revelle Murray**

**September 14 Alice Hassell**

**September 14 South Moore**

**September 15 Alexandra Piper**

**September 18 Larry Futrell**

**September 21 Christina Mitchell**

**September 23 Erin Faile**

**September 23 Christina Torres**

**September 25 Sara Frances Hill**

**September 28 Lynn Johnson**

**September 28 Will Revelle**

**September 30 Steve Beatty**

**Deacon of the Month**

Rachel Peterson

**Opening of the Church**

Bruce Brown

**Ushers**

***September***

Jay Revelle, Ronnie Coltrain,

Hal Thomas, and Charles Gallop

***October***

David Farnham, Charlie Aycock, Lloyd Hill, and Thomas Byrd

**Radio Ministry Sponsors**

Charlie and Dell Aycock

**Children’s Sermon**

Sarah Davis

**Nursery Caregivers**

***Sept. 5,*** Mollie Madden

***Sept. 11,*** Charlie Cole

***Sept. 18,*** Sarah Davis

***Sept. 25,*** Ed Snyder

**Caregivers**

***Aug. 28-Sept. 10***

Debbie Hill

***Sept. 11-24***

Gertrude Revelle and Daynelle Trent

***Sept. 25-Oct. 8***

Diane Dixon and Alice Hassell

**Flowers**

All Sundays in September are available.

September is the final month of our 2021-2022 fiscal year, and with all the ups and downs that we have been through this year, we are thankful and grateful your faithful and continued support of our church and its ministries. That said, as you can see below, we still face a budget deficit to make up in this last month.

As we prepare to close out this year, if you find you may have overlooked a regular gift, or you may be willing and able to be a little extra generous, we would be grateful.

As always, we are appreciative of your support of our church whether it be through financial gifts or with gifts of time, presence, or prayer.

**Budget Reminder**

**Our Shared Commitment to Supporting Missions and Ministry for August 2022**

**Aug. 7 Aug. 14 Aug. 21 Aug. 28 Monthly Total For the Year**

**Weekly Budget** $3,942.31 $3,942.31 $3,942.31 $3,942.31 $19,711.55 $189,230.88

**Weekly Tithes & Offerings** $4,645.00 $5,575.00 $3,799.00 $4,423.00 $18,442.00 $183,430.72

**Other Income** $286.17

**Over (Under) $702.69 $1,632.69 ($143.31) $480.69 ($1,269.55) ($5,513.99)**

**Foodbank**

**of the**

**Albemarle**

The August financial statement was unavailable when the messenger went to press. Information shown is from weekly tithes and offerings. When completed, the report will appear in the church bulletin and copies will be available in the church office.

**Church Office Hours**

**Monday – Friday 8:30 – 1:30**

**252-398-3613** [**www.murfbc.org**](http://www.murfbc.org)

**Administrative Office Will Be Closed September 5 in Honor of Labor Day.**

**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.

Volunteers are needed Tuesday, September 20 by 1:30 p.m. in the church parking lot to distribute food.

**Blessings Ministries**

**Murfreesboro Baptist Church**

**200 West Main Street**

**Murfreesboro, N. C. 27855**

**Return Service Requested**