

Privileged to Serve

Guest Speaker..... Robert Martin
 South Pacific Mission
 Announcements.....Al St. Clair
 Song Leader.....Bill Collins
 Attendance.....Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer..... Terry Dyer
 Lord's Supper
 Charles Dooley * * Byron Madison
 Ethan Clopton * * Terry Dyer
 Closing Prayer..... Eugene White

Evening

Opening Prayer.....Jacob King
 Lord's Supper
 Charles Dooley * * Byron Madison
 Closing Prayer.....Paul Guy

Communion to Shut-Ins

None at this time

Communion Preparation

Month of November..... Sandy Vinson
 Month of December.....Sara Dooley

Service Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship..... 10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship.....5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.

Elders

DWIGHT CALLENS.....(601) 527-7149
 TOM FAIR..... (601) 681-8293

Deacons

ALBERT ST CLAIR..... (601) 626-7815

Preacher

BILL COLLINS..... (337) 515-2385

Works Supported

Robert Martin
 &
 Stacey Ferguson
 South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children's Home
 Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

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| Sunday Bible Class | 84 |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 38 |
| Sunday Evening Worship | 37 |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 40 |

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$2,214.76

* Figures Unavailable



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Let Us Be Thankful This Year For All The Small Stuff

In his book, *“Don’t Sweat The Small Stuff...and it’s all small stuff”*, author Richard Carlson, Ph.D. brings forth this thought: *Spend A Moment Every Day Thinking of Someone to Thank*. He says this is a simple strategy, which may take only a few seconds to complete, and it has long been one of the most important habits he has ever engaged in. This is how it goes – try to start your day thinking of someone to thank. To me, gratitude and peace go hand in hand. The more genuinely grateful I feel for the gift of my life, the more peaceful I feel.

Like most people in America, we have great abundance. We can buy most anything we want if we have the money. We have freedom in America to go where we want, when we want. We have the precious gift of being able to travel and be with our families on Thanksgiving and at other times. WE ARE BLESSED! Counting our blessings and giving thanks is what Thanksgiving is all about! We ought to be thankful every day, for every day, for all the friends, family members, people from your past, teachers, mentors, people from your work, maybe someone who gave you a break, as well as countless others, and for every meal and for every gift from above. And they are many! WE ARE BLESSED!

The Apostle Paul tells us in Philippians 4:6, *“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.”* There is nothing wrong with asking, but there is something wrong with not giving thanks. Paul also writes in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, *“Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”*

Henry Ward Beecher once said: Pride slays thanksgiving, but a humble mind is the soil out of which thanks naturally grow. A proud man is seldom a grateful man, for he never thinks he gets as much as he deserves. We need to be both humble and grateful. 1 Peter 5:5, *“God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”* So this week, this Thanksgiving Season, as we consider all the people in our lives for which to be thankful and for all the things we are blessed with, let us bow in humble gratitude and give thanks to our Father in Heaven.

Bill Collins

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