

Privileged to Serve

Preaching Tom Fair
 Announcements Randy Rives
 Song Leader Andy Duncan
 Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer Byron Madison
 Lord's Supper

Presiding

* Lamar King

Assisting

Jacob King * * Randy Rives

Al St. Clair * * Conner Fitzgerald

Closing Prayer Jack Mears

Evening

Opening Prayer Charles Dooley

Lord's Supper

Jacob King * * Randy Rives

Closing Prayer Rob Warren

Communion Preparation

Month of January Kitty Dooley

Month of February Linda Collie

Nursery Attendant; Backup

January 13 Lara King; Katie Agan

January 20 Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

Wednesday Evening - January 16, 2019

Prayer/Announcements Jacob King

Song Leader Tom Fair

Devotional Lamar King

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

ANDY DUNCAN (662) 416-2222

TOM FAIR (601) 681-8293

Deacons

LAMAR KING (601) 604-2656

BUILDING/GROUNDS

BYRON MADISON (601) 227-1374

YOUTH

RANDY RIVES (601) 513-4785

EDUCATION & WORSHIP

ALBERT ST. CLAIR (601) 626-7815

Works Supported

Robert Martin

Stacey Ferguson

South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children's Home

Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class 28

Sunday Morning Worship 52

Sunday Evening Worship 24

Wednesday Bible Study 27

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,192.00

Daily Bible Readers

January 6, 2019 * = % of attending

* Figures Unavailable



January 13, 2019 *Meridian Messenger* Welcome Visitors!

Learning to Love the Brotherhood

Born in New Garden (Guilford County), NC on May 20, 1768, Dolley Payne was raised in a large and wealthy Quaker family on a Virginia plantation. After being married for only three years to her first husband, John Todd, a severe outbreak of yellow fever claimed the lives of her husband and youngest son. In 1794 Aaron Burr introduced the 26-year-old widow to James Madison (43). They were married four months later. Dolley would become the most popular First Ladies, overshadowing all others for decades (whitehousehistory.org). When the capital city was burned by the British in 1814, Dolley Madison famously rescued a portrait of President George Washington. During her reign over Washington society Mrs. Madison gained a reputation as the quintessential hostess. Henry Clay said of her, "Everybody loves Mrs. Madison," to which Dolley was said to reply, "That's because Mrs. Madison loves everybody" (Cormac O'Brien, Secret Lives of the First Ladies).

Is not that what Jesus wants us to do (Mat. 22:36-40)? He stated that the identifying mark of faithful Christians was their love for each other (John 13:35). Paul echoed that the "more excellent way" for believers to live is love (1 Cor. 13:13). John also called all Christians to prove their claim on eternal life by their love for fellow Christians (1 John 3:14). And Peter issued the simple command, "Love the brotherhood" (1 Pet. 2:17). Time and time again inspired writers reassert the need for the Lord's church to show true love (Eph. 1:15, Heb. 13:1, etc). By so doing the unbelieving world may realize that they too might share in a love and God above will recognize and reward us for becoming more like Him (1 John 4:8).

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