

Privileged to Serve

SpeakerTom Fair (am); No Evening (pm)
 Announcements/Prayer..... Randy Rives
 Song Leader.....Andy D. (am); No Eve(pm)
 Attendance.....

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer TBA
 Lord's Supper Randy Rives

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Closing Prayer.....

Evening

Opening Prayer
 Lord's Supper

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Closing Prayer.....

Communion Preparation

Month of August.....
 Month of September.....

Nursery Attendant; Backup

August 22.....Lara King; Katie Agan
 August 29.....Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

Wednesday Evening - August 25, 2021

Prayer/Announcements.....
 Song Leader.....
 Devotional.....

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

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	cancelled
Sunday Morning Worship	25
Sunday Morning via Live-Stream	6
Sunday Evening Worship	18
Sunday Evening via Live-Stream	9

Wednesday Bible Study 16

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 1,761.00

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HEAVEN "INSCRIPTIONS"

The Songs of Heaven

As here on earth, so too in Heaven we will praise God with song. There may be others, but we know of two songs that we will sing. As John was given a glimpse into Heaven he said; "and they sang a new song before the throne" (Re. 14:3). A chapter later we are told that "they sang the song of Moses" (Re. 15:3).

After being delivered from the slavery of Egypt, walking across the Dead Sea on dry ground, and having escaped the hand of Pharaoh, Moses wrote a song "and the sons of Israel sang this song to the LORD (Ex. 15:1). The song takes up 18 verses. "The LORD is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation," Moses wrote. "Pharaoh's chariots and his army He has cast into the sea."

Why will we sing this song in Heaven? Because it is a song of deliverance. We, too, have crossed over from a slavery to sin to Salvation and a new life of freedom. Like our own salvation, Israel was "baptized in the cloud and in the sea" and they drank from a "spiritual rock that followed them, and that rock was Christ" (1 Co. 10:1-3). Moses' voice proclaimed, "You had led the people whom You have redeemed; In Your strength You have guided them to Your holy habitation." (Ex. 15:13). We will sing these same words as we march into the eternal City of gold.

"Only Heaven Knows"

In a satirical look at a visit from the archangel Michael, in a 1996 fantasy movie of that name, one of the characters writes this verse in a song she is writing; "I was sitting in the middle of nowhere by the side of the road. Where was my angel then? Only Heaven knows."

Michael is the most prominent of the angels throughout scripture. He is described as the "Principal" or "Arch" messenger from God, who is our main defender from the devil and his angels. He waged war against Satan, casting him "down to the earth" (Re. 12:7-9), he contended with the devil over the body of Moses (Jude 9), and fought off Satan so another angel could answer a prayer of Daniel (Da. 10:10-21).

Angels, those awesome messengers from God, are more involved in our lives than we know. They fly swiftly to the side of hospital beds, above any battlefield, and to weary souls "in the middle of nowhere by the side of the road," to lift our spirits. They answer our prayers or carry away loved ones into Abraham's bosom. Angels are "ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who will inherit salvation" (He. 1:14). What are they doing now around you, for you, and in defending you from evil? Only Heaven knows!