

Privileged to Serve	
Speaker ... Tom Fair (am); Andy Duncan (pm)	
Announcements/Prayer..... Randy Rives	
Song Leader.....Andy D. (am); Tom F. (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 December	
Month of January.....	
Nursery Attendant; Backup	
December 5.....	Angela Duncan; Lara King
December 12	Glenda Rives; Katie Agan
Wednesday Evening - December 8, 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	31
Sunday Morning via Live-Stream	11
Sunday Evening Worship	12
Sunday Evening via Live-Stream	12
Wednesday Bible Study	11
Contributions & Other Income	
Contribution Last Week	\$ 1,794.00
*Figures Unavailable	



December 5, 2021 Meridian Messenger Welcome Visitors!

Captain of your Soul

Recently, I read a statement from an undocumented source that exploded from the page and will not go away. Allow me to share it with you:

“If God is your co-pilot – swap seats!”

Believing that we are captain of our own soul, we often fly into forbidden turbulence, thinking that God is seated beside us as “first officer” only *in case of emergency*. It is when we do not allow God to be in charge, that we leave our chartered course.

As a sheep-herder, David could easily surrender the course of his life to God, expressing it this way:

“The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside quiet waters. He restores my soul; He guides me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You have anointed my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and lovingkindness will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever” (23rd Psalm).

It was after his anointing as King, with all authority over Israel, that he elected to remove God as captain of his soul and enter **forbidden turbulence of immorality** with Bathsheba (II Samuel 11 & 12). Read of his contrition and prayer for restoration in Psalm 51. Having returned to his proper relationship, David was able to carry out the purpose for which he was called. Not only did he prophesy about Christ, he resembled Him in many ways. Both were *born in Bethlehem, were of low estate on earth and shepherds* – one caring for sheep, the other for souls. *Both came to kingship* – David conquered from shore to shore and Jesus was born king of an everlasting Kingdom.

“If God is your co-pilot – swap seats!”

Now, you take it from there!

By John Simpson ♦ Magnolia Messenger, Spring 2016, pg 4