

Welcome

A *meridian* can be defined as "the highest point reached by a heavenly body in its course."¹ Although we are not literally in heaven, we have been placed, as believers in "heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 2:6). As we set our aim of *Lifting Christ Higher*, focusing on Heaven, and seeking to continually draw nearer to Jesus, then we will begin to comprehend those "heavenly places" as more of a reality than just some words on a page.

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for choosing Meridian as the place for you to give honor and praise to our wonderful Savior on this Lord's Day. We trust that you will come to know and understand more fully the relationship you can have in Jesus Christ.

¹ Webster's New World Dictionary. ©1971.

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Sermon notes

Examples of Grace in the Bible The Woman Caught in Adultery John 8:1-11

Grace in this accusation reveals specific truth of how it should look and work in our own lives.

1. Self-Examination (4-7)

Grace should cause us to look first at our own sin before the sin of others.

Matthew 7:1-5 – mote vs. beam

The word of God is a powerful force toward the conviction of sin.

2. Sympathetic Understanding (6b-9)

Grace should cause us to approach others with compassion rather than condemnation.

It should be our desire to restore, rather than condemn.

Galatians 6:1

3. Secure Expectation (11)

Grace should cause us to live with hope for the future.

What Jesus said to her that day was authoritative and final and it was all of His grace through faith.

Jesus set the adulterous woman free, not only from her accusers but also from her sin.

4. Submissive Devotion (11)

Grace should cause us to pursue obedience.

When we properly comprehend grace, there should be a flow of obedience that takes over in our lives.

- **Obedience of Gratitude**
- **Obedience of Love**
- **Obedience of Devotion**

The woman caught in adultery serves as a reminder that no one is beyond God's grace and mercy.



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*We extend a warm WELCOME!
If you are visiting today,
Connect Cards are available for you
to register as our special guest.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30am

MORNING WORSHIP 10:40am

Scripture Reading: Psalm 37:16-24

Hymns – (Blue) 83, 96, 91

DEACONS MTG 4:30pm

EVENING SERVICE 6:00pm
Pastor Caleb 2 Timothy 2:20-21

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Young people ages 4 - 4th grade are invited to be dismissed before the sermon for age-related teaching.

THIS WEEK AT MERIDIAN

**Mon – 7PM – Newton Weekday Bible
School Sunset Program in MFC**
**Tue – 11:30AM – Ladies Lunch Bunch
@ Breadbasket**
**Wed – 6:30PM – Bible Seekers; Teen
Bible Study; Adult Bible Study and
Prayer**
**Thur – 7PM – Rescue Mission (Tom
Hummingbird)**
**Fri – 6:30PM – HEA Spring Concert in
Sanctuary**
Sat – 10AM – Visitation Outreach

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

May 4 (Sun, PM) – Youth Honor Night
**May 17 (Sat, Noon) – Barnabas Class
Fellowship**
**Jun 2-5 (Mon-Thu) – Vacation Bible
School**
**Jun 8 (Sun, 5PM) – Sunday School
Picnic @ Heritage Park (Hesston)**
**Jun 16-20 (Mon-Fri) – Challenge
Christian Camp**
**Jun 24 (Tue, PM) – Financial Peace
University**

YOUTH HONOR NIGHT

Youth Honor Night is an opportunity for our church to honor the youth of our church. Many who have participated in Tiny Seekers and Bible Seekers have worked hard to learn Bible verses and Scripture truths and we will be recognizing their efforts. In addition, we will be giving recognition to the following graduates:

8th Grade –
Eli Williams

Seniors –
Elijah Schmidt
Jessica Brault
Maddie Hummingbird

There will be a reception/fellowship with a dinner following the evening in honor of our Seniors. This will be a good time to share congratulatory cards, if desired. Everyone is invited to attend.

CHURCH LIBRARY

Our church library has been upgraded with the inclusion of some new titles for your reading pleasure and learning. You may check the books out yourself by writing your name on the card inside the book and filing it in the index box.

MBC TEXT NOTIFICATIONS

If you wish to receive notification from the church about events, service cancelations, prayer requests, etc., you must text the word “Join” to 316-999-8857. Please note that the only prayer requests we will send out via text will be those directly involving our church family and that are of a critical nature.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Take control of your money with *Financial Peace University*! This nine-week class uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and make your money work for you! Talk to Pastor Caleb with questions and to sign up. Class starts **June 24th**.

REACHING OUT

The folks listed below are people from our church family who reside in area nursing care facilities. We encourage you to let them know that we care for them as a church family. A card with a short greeting goes a long way in demonstrating our love.

Schowalter Villa –
Marian Bryan, Boyd Crocker
Kansas Christian Home –
Shirlene Fulton
Paramount –
Karen Wonders, Verna Rowe

There are others listed on the Prayer Sheet under “Long-term Concerns” who would appreciate encouragement.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Apr 27 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Sarah / Elijah

May 4 – AM – Ashley / Crystal
PM – Kathy / Deidra