

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

Grace and Peace - 1 Galatians 1:3-5

When we recognize the grace that God gives, we can have peace in knowing that He has provided his favor for us to meet a need that He knows we have or will have and that we need not fret.

1. The Ground for Grace and Peace "Who gave himself for our sins"

Grace is given at the cross.

**We are saved from the Penalty of sin.
2 Corinthians 5:21**

2. The Goal for Grace and Peace "That he might deliver us from this present evil world"

Grace is given as Continuance

This is a declaration of deliverance from peril and the destructive elements of this world.

We are delivered from the Power of sin.

We experience some benefits of the life to come right now in freedom from the evil around us and the evil that is within us.

3. The Guarantee of Grace and Peace "according to the will of God and our Father"

We can be assured that the victory over sin that Jesus provides is a part of God's sovereign plan and will for those who believe in Jesus.

If we lack peace in our heart, it is not God's fault.

4. The Glory of Grace and Peace "To whom be glory for ever and ever" **The only lasting peace is through God's grace and it is God who should receive the credit.**

Jeremiah 29:11 - God has thoughts of peace for His people for an expected end of them calling upon Him.



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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 37:3-7

Hymns – (Red) 493, 57, 218

**Sunday School Picnic at Heritage Park
in Hesston 6:00pm**

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

Tues – 5:30-10PM – New Hope Outreach
Wed – 6:30PM – Adult Bible Study and Prayer; Kid's Club

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A special thanks to everyone who helped make our VBS a blessing and a success. May the Lord richly bless you for your love for these children whom God loves dearly.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Jan McCloud – Profession of Faith and Baptism
Dale Sump – Profession of Faith and Baptism

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

Jun 15 (Sun, 5:15PM) – Choir Rehearsal
Jun 16-20 (Mon-Fri) – Challenge Christian Camp
Jun 21 (Sat, 10AM) – Outreach Visitation
Jun 24 (Tue, 11:30AM) – Ladies Lunch Bunch
Jun 24 (Tue, 6:30PM) – Financial Peace University
Jun 28 (Sat, 9AM) – Meridian Mighty Men
Jun 29 (Sun, PM) – Singspiration; Testimonies; Communion
Jul 4 (Fri, AM) – Golf Outing
Jul 4 (Fri, PM) – Picnic @ The Wood's
Jul 13 (Sun, SS & AM) – Missionary G.S. Nair

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

Everyone is invited to join us for food and fellowship in the park **THIS evening at Heritage Park on Ridge Road** (across from the Middle School) **in Hesston**. Please note that we plan to eat at **6:00pm**, so please arrive early enough to get your food in place and gear set up. Assorted meats suitable for a hotdog bun, drink, and table service will be provided. **Please bring side dishes and desserts to share**. Feel free to arrive early and stay late for fellowship. Bring lawn chairs and your Bible for an outdoor service. There is a sign-up sheet on the hospitality desk for those who would like to be involved in a pickleball tournament at the picnic.

CHALLENGE CHRISTIAN CAMP

Brochures and information are on the bulletin board between the offices. Young people entering grade 4 through graduating Seniors are eligible to attend. Brother Joe Willis will be the speaker.

WEDDING RECEPTION

There will be a wedding reception for Emily Schmidt and Cody Wohlgemuth **Friday, July 11, 5-7pm**. More details to follow.

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**.

RECENT CHURCH BUSINESS

The following motions were approved at the June Quarterly Business Mtg.

From the Deacons:

- \$3,000.00 to Missionary G.S. Nair to help with summer evangelism outreach in India, Nepal, and Myanmar

From a motion from the floor in the March meeting:

- Meridian Baptist Church is withdrawing membership from the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches

READING MATERIAL

(Hospitality Desk)

-Frontline magazine – “The Christian School Revival” (May / June issue).

-Challenger – Published by **Sam Slobodian of BIEM** Each issue focuses on various ministries of BIEM in Ukraine and Russia.

-Our Daily Bread (Jun – Aug) devotional books for a daily time with God in His Word.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

**Jun 8 – AM – Ashley / Cystal
PM – SS Picnic**

**Jun 15 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Kathy / Deidra**