

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 – Peter - 2 2 Peter 1:1-4

The fortification of the heart and mind in God's grace by a greater knowledge of God helps to combat things that would undermine our faith.

Grace and peace to keep the faith comes from better knowing ...

1. God's Person for eternal life (1-2)

The "precious faith" they shared with Peter is something we should not take lightly.

a. Jesus is defined by righteousness

To be righteous is to be upright, moral, good, virtuous.

b. Jesus is a Savior - Deliverer

The righteousness of Jesus has been uploaded to us and to our account.

2. God's Power for spiritual life (3)

Salvation is not the end of our spiritual experience. It is just the beginning.

a. It is **Comprehensive in its Source**
"divine" – it is from Jesus Christ.

b. It is Comprehensive in its Sufficiency

"all things" – The provision is full and sufficient to combat the false teachers.

"life" – the spiritual life God imparts to us

"godliness" – being devout, reverent and worshipful - attitude leading to behavior.

3. God's Promises for victorious life (4)

a. Their value

"**exceeding great and precious**" - value because of where they come from and what they can accomplish

b. Their virtue

Divine life, the virtuous nature of Christ has been given to us when we get saved.

"If we feed the new nature the nourishment of the Word, then we will have little interest in the garbage of the world."
(Warren Wiersbe)



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We extend a warm WELCOME!

If you are visiting today,

Connect Cards are available for you

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30am

MORNING WORSHIP 10:40am

Scripture Reading: Psalm 16:1-9

Hymns – (Red) 265, 277, 270

EVENING SERVICE 6:00pm

Pastor Caleb *Bible Delight*

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

Wed – 6:30PM – Adult Bible Study and Prayer; Bible Seekers; Teen Bible Study

Thur – 6:15PM – Hope Women's Center Celebration Dinner

Sat – 10:00AM – Outreach Visitation

Sat – NOON – Barnabas Class Lunch

Sat – 4:00PM – Men & Boys Fall Fellowship

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

The **September** Financial Report is available on the desk in the Church Office.

LOOKING AHEAD AT MERIDIAN

Oct 19 (Sun, AM) – Communion

Oct 19 (Sun, 4:30PM) – Deacons mtg.

Oct 20-21 (Mon-Tue) – FBFI Regional Fellowship @ Midland Baptist Church, Wichita

Oct 23 – Ladies Bible Study

Oct 24 (Fri, 5:30PM) – New Hope Outreach

Oct 25-Nov 1 – Southland Service Trip

Oct 28 (Tue, 11:30AM) – Ladies Lunch Bunch

Oct 28 (Tue, 5:30PM) – New Hope Outreach

Nov 1 (Sat, PM) – Daylight Savings time ENDS

Nov 2 (Sun, PM) – Finance Committee mtg.

Nov 9 (Sun, NOON) – All Church Holiday Dinner

MEN & BOYS SHOOTING FELLOWSHIP

All men are invited to join us for some outdoor fellowship this Saturday at **4:00pm**. There is a sign-up sheet on the Hospitality Desk. The cost is **\$5.00**, which covers the meal. We will gather at a property managed by Brent Busenitz. Go east from Newton on 1st Street. Turn right on East Lake Rd. and go 2 miles South. Turn right (West) on SE 24th and go 3/4 mile. The property is on the left (South) side of the road. You should plan to provide your own ammo.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Those interested in becoming a member of our church are invited to attend a 6-week class during the 9:30am Sunday School time. Please see Pastor Kliever if you are interested. We are beginning today, **October 12**, but it is not too late to join.

HOPE WOMEN'S SHELTER

The 2025 Celebration Dinner will be held **Thursday, October 16** at the Meridian Center. See either Matt & Ashley Hummingbird or Ray & Susan Kurtz if you are interested in attending.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS ENSEMBLE

There is another opportunity for the ladies' vocal group to sing in the Christmas program. The group will begin practice **next Sunday, October 19**. All ladies are welcome.

PAM KIEWER PIANO CD

We are pleased to announce the completion and availability of Pam's piano CD. There is no charge for the CD, but if you would like to make a donation, it will go back into her Memorial Fund to help with other music projects. We would like to make one available to each of our church people who knew her and were blessed by her ministry.

CARE MEALS

If you would be willing to take a meal to someone after surgery, hospitalization, etc., please sign your name on a list at the hospitality desk. This is a very practical way that we can be a blessing to those who are going through a difficult time.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

**Oct 12 – AM – Daina / Peggy
PM – Sarah / Elijah**

**Oct 19 – AM – Anna / Karen M.
PM – Kathy / Deidra**