

Meridian Presbyterian Church

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April 19th, 2026
“Your First Love”
Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

Early Service

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 92)

L: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

P: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

L: I will be glad and exult in you;

P: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMNS** "Be Thou My Vision" No. 562 & "He Will Hold Me Fast"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Heavenly Father, You have called us to a great hope and purpose. You have invited us to abide in You in every season. However, we allow distractions to drag us away from Your presence. Instead of turning to You, we indulge our worries, frustrations, and disappointments. Forgive us when we seek shelter in our own comfort and control. Teach us again to trust You, O God, our Protector and Provider. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONFESSION RESPONSE:** "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE:** "Seek Ye First"

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joel 2:12-13

ANTHEM

"I Love You, My Lord"

By: Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 2:1-7

SERMON

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***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN**

"Just As I Am"

No. 488

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	8:45 AM	Early Service
	10 AM	Sunday School
	11 AM	Late Service
	12 PM	Community Lunch @ St. Andrews
	6-8 PM	Youth Group
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	6:30 PM	Choir
Thursday:	6 PM	Discovery Night
Friday:		Youth Group Spring Retreat
Saturday:	10 AM	Grief Fellowship Hour

GRADUATION SUNDAY- We will be recognizing graduating seniors during worship on Sunday, May 31st. Please let Pastor Mike or the office know if you have a graduating senior by May 10th.

DISCOVERY NIGHT- The elders will be hosting a discovery night for anyone who may be interested in joining the church or learning more about Meridian on Thursday, April 23rd at 6 PM. Dinner will be provided, please sign up in the fellowship room.

55+ DINNER- Our Deacons will be hosting a 55+ dinner on Thursday, April 30th at 5:30 PM in fellowship hall. There is a signup sheet for an approximate count.

SAVE THE DATE SUMMER PROGRAMS- Community Blook Party, Saturday, June 6th, Vacation Bible School (preschool-5th grade) will be June 14th-18th and our Summerblast (3rd-5th) will be July 6th-10th. Registration forms are available online and in the fellowship room.

REMINDER- We will return to one service at 10 AM for the summer beginning on Sunday, May 24th.

YOUTH GROUP- Will meet for a lunch outing on May 3rd from 12-2 PM. Please sign up with Pastor Mike or online if you would like to attend this event.

COLLEGE & CAREER FELLOWSHIP GROUP- We will be continuing our summer program for ages 18-25 young adults. Please see Pastor Mike for more details or if you are interested in joining this group.