Meridian
Presbyterian Church

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November 1st, 2026
"Sealed for the Promise"
Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

Early Service

CALL TO WORSHIP (Ephesians 1)

L: And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

P: When we believed, we were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit.

L: Who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession.

P: To the praise of his glory.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" No. 408**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Heavenly Father, You call us to be a church family that reflects your love and care for others. Yet we confess that we often overlook many in need, while being focused on our own concerns instead. We have not always noticed those who feel forgotten nor have we responded in kindness and compassion. Forgive us, Lord. Fill us with your Spirit, renew our hearts for serving others, and help us use our gifts for the good of your church and the glory of your name. We pray this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Gloria Patri"**

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE: "Doxology"**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CHILDREN'S SERMON & THIRD GRADE BIBLES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 15:1-6

ANTHEM "God's Promise" By: Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 4:1-16

SERMON "Sealed for the Promise" Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE & HYMN "Nothing but the Blood of Jesus" No. 337

COMMUNION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" No. 11**

***POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno**

Late Service

***WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

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P: Who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

***HYMN**	**"Promises"**	
	"How Firm a Foundation"	**No. 408**
***OFFERTORY**	**"Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated"**	**No. 597**

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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN **"I Trust in God"**

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***HYMN** **"Your Grace is Enough"**

POSTLUDE

Music Led By Ruben Marquez & Cindy Candelaria

Thank you to this morning's volunteers!

Greeters: Cindy Palladino
Welcome Desk: Pat Lazare
Fellowship Hour: Dave & Sue Freund
Liturgist: Mike Barton

***Those who are able please stand.**

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	**8:45 AM**	**Early Service**
	10 AM	**Sunday School**
	11 AM	**Late Service**
	4:30-5:30 PM	**Pageant Practice**
	5:30-7 PM	**JH Youth Group**
	6:30-8 PM	**SH Youth Group**
Tuesday:	**6:30 PM**	**Deacon & Trustee Meeting**
Wednesday:	**9 AM**	**Coffee & Conversation**
	6:30 PM	**Choir Practice**
Thursday:	**6:30 PM**	**Women's Bible Study**
Friday:	**10 AM**	**Women's Bible Study**
Saturday:	**10 AM**	**Grief Fellowship Hour**

THIRD GRADE BIBLES- Lydia Kearns, Benjamin Hauser, Henry Holtgraver, Cadence Patrick, Crew Siefker, AJ Statzer, Levi Toniolo, Paisley Veith, & MacKenna Wickline will all be given a bible from the church during today's service. We hope and pray that God's Word will be at the center of their hearts.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING- Our annual congregational meeting will be on Sunday, November 8th at 10 AM in between services. Packets are available for pickup today in the fellowship room, please plan to attend.

HEARTS & HAMMERS- We will be repairing walls, floors, and ceilings, and installing a washer and dryer on the main floor at a house in Meridian on Saturday, November 14th from 9 AM-3 PM. Sign up today to help.

CLUB 35- Will meet on November 15th from 4-5:30 at Tokens Arcade in Lyndora. Please see Pastor Mike or Laura for more details.

CONGRATULATIONS- Bill & Val Mueller are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and would like you to join them for an open house on Nov 14th from 1-4 PM at the church in fellowship hall, no gifts and casual attire.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER- Save the date for our annual Christmas Dinner Sunday, Dec 6th at 5:30 PM followed by our Children's Christmas Pageant at 6:45 PM. Please sign up in the fellowship room for an approximate head count and side dishes.