“Accusation is a condemnation from the conscience, using either real or false standards of righteousness. Accusation always operates on the original “covenant of works” that Adam and Eve were born under—“this do and you will live”. That original covenant demanded perfect obedience to standards. Because in our sinful state we often do not believe (or we forget) that God is gracious, our prideful conscience is deeply oriented toward the original covenant of works.”
Tim Keller

*The life of the church mirrors the gospel pattern in the life of a disciple. This is demonstrated in our **order of worship** (the bulletin you are holding): Opening moments offer recognition of the greatness and goodness of God that naturally folds into confession, assurance of pardon, songs of thanksgiving, instruction, and a charge to serve God in response to His grace in Christ.*

Order of Worship

June 2, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Celebrating His Presence

Preparation for Worship

*We believe everyone **worships** something and that we will inevitably imitate and serve what we worship.*

Prelude

Call to Worship

Immortal, Invisible

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of Glory, pure Father of Light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Invocation

Gospel Renewal

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance:
Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to You, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace, forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience, through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord, Amen~

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Gospel Renewal is a time we use to re-mind people of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. By His obedience we are justified, and by His death are reconciled to God. As we apprehend this we are ready to confess our sin.

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Since we understand that we are redeemed sinners, we agree with God about our sin to the end that we might be confirmed in the forgiveness and absolution we have in Christ. This pattern of **confession** makes way for affirmation and confirmation of God's covenant promise that He assures every believer of pardon for the sake of Christ's obedience and substitution.

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*For **assurance of pardon**, the man who has faith is the man who is no longer looking at himself and no longer looking to himself. He looks entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work, and rests on that alone". – Martyn Lloyd-Jones*

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Assurance of Pardon

People: Thanks be to God!

Closer

Search me O God and know my thoughts,
Nothing is hidden from You.
Lead me along Your path of life that I may walk in truth.

(Chorus)

Create in me a clean heart, renew a right spirit in me.
Make of me, Lord, a servant who walks in humility.

(Chorus)

***Chorus**:* Bring me closer, closer, closer to You, my Lord.
Bring me closer, closer to Your ways, to Your will, to Your heart.

(Last Time Repeat Chorus)

To Your ways, to Your will, to Your heart.
To Your ways, to Your will, to Your heart.

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*The purpose of our time of **greeting** is to fulfill the command in Romans 15:7 "Therefore, welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."*

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The Blessing

Minister: The grace of God be with you.
People: And also, with you.

Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord

Experiencing Renewal

Mighty Is the Power of the Cross

What can take a dying man and raise him up to life again?
What can heal a wounded soul; what can make us white as snow?
What can fill the emptiness; what can mend our brokenness, brokenness?

***Chorus**:* Mighty, awesome, wonderful is the holy cross,
Where the Lamb laid down His life to lift us from the Fall;
Mighty is the power of the cross.

What restores our faith in God; what reveals the Father's love?
What can lead the wayward home; what can melt a heart of stone?
What can free the guilty ones; what can save and overcome, overcome?

*(**Chorus**)*

How High and How Wide

No eye has seen, and no ear has heard,
And no mind has ever conceived
The glorious things that You have prepared
For everyone who has believed.
You brought us near, and You called us Your own,
And made us joint heirs with Your Son.

Chorus: How high and how wide,
How deep and how long,
How sweet and how strong is Your love.
How lavish Your grace, how faithful Your ways,
How great is Your love, O Lord.

Objects of mercy who should have known wrath,
We're filled with unspeakable joy,
Riches of wisdom, unsearchable wealth,
And the wonder of knowing Your voice.
You are our treasure and our great reward,
Our hope and our glorious King.

*(**Chorus 2x)***
How great is your love, O Lord!

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*Now that we have reenacted the story of the gospel as a church community. We now **experience the renewal** merited for us by Jesus Christ. We express this renewal in our singing praises to Jesus for His great mercy towards us.*
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Pastoral Prayer

*Jesus, our shepherd, prays with us and for us. We pray the **pastoral prayer** expecting the Holy Spirit to minister Jesus' benefits to us as He prays for us.*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom
And the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word

Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness;
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us Lord, full obedience, holy reverence, true humility,
Test our thoughts and our attitudes; in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail; let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds:
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory!

Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word: Pastor Tim Posey

Series: Romans
Title: The Assurance of God's Love
Text: Romans 8:31-35, Zechariah 3:1-6, Job 1, Revelation 12:9
Theme: How Satan Tries to Undermine Our Assurance of God's Love

Intro:

I. Satan as the Accuser

II. What the Accusations Produce

III. How to Overcome His Accusations

Conclusion:

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Since Jesus Christ has committed Himself to us in the laying down of His precious life, we are reminded of this in the preaching of the Word and likewise called to a daily, ***deepening commitment*** *to follow after Him.*

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Receiving tithes and offerings *is not an "add on" to the service. It is part of worship. We demonstrate our trust in God's present provision and hope in our future with Him by supporting the spread of the Gospel. You will find baskets for your tithes at the rear of the sanctuary.*

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Guidelines for the ***Lord's Supper*** *can be found on the next page of this bulletin.*

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The ***Benediction*** *is a pronouncement of God's favor upon His assembled people.*

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Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Make a Joyful Noise & SongBirds All Things Beautiful and Bright

Song of Response

Like a River Glorious

Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,
Over all victorious in its bright increase;
Perfect, yet it floweth fuller ev'ry day,
Perfect, yet it groweth deeper all the way.
(Refrain)

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand,
Never foe can follow, never traitor stand;
Not a surge of worry, not a shade of care,
Not a blast of hurry, touch the spirit there.
(Refrain)

Ev'ry joy or trial falleth from above,
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love.
We may trust Him fully all for us to do;
They who trust Him wholly find Him wholly true.
(Refrain)

Refrain: Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blest,
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

(White grape juice or red wine is available; and gluten-free bread in the smaller plate.

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Benediction

Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

Who may partake? We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of the Lord's Supper. Namely, baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the Gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ.

How to partake? Please hold the elements and we will partake of them together. Red wine and white grape juice are both available, as well as gluten free wafers.

What if I don't partake? Please stay seated, meditate on the Gospel, and pray silently.

Prayer for those searching for truth: Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that You promise. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of commitment: Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

Prayer of belief: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I repent of my sins of self-ruling and self-saving. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Thank You that my sin and rebellion are Yours and Your righteous, perfect, and obedient life is mine through faith in You. Knowing that You died on the cross and have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as Savior and Lord and I await Your return when I will see You face to face. I now resolve in humble reliance on the Holy Spirit and through the power of the gospel graciously working in my life to seek to walk in a manner pleasing to You. Amen.

Prayer for Covenant Children: Lord Jesus, thank You for placing me inside Your family, the church. Help me to know You, to love You, and to follow You as Your faithful disciple. Amen.

Guidelines for Baptism

We baptize all who profess faith in Jesus Christ as He comes to us in the Gospel, along with their children. Children of believers are baptized because we trust that God's covenantal promise is for us and our children. Baptism is the sign of initiation into Christ's church, which means it goes hand in hand with membership. If you are ready to publicly profess faith in Jesus for the salvation of your soul and be united to His church, or if you are ready to have your child baptized, then please talk to one of our elders about the next steps.

Making Contact

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Assistant Pastor……..…christianbland@springmeadowspres.org
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At Spring Meadows, the work of knowing, feeding, leading, and protecting the flock of God is divided among the Shepherding Elders. We encourage all members of the church to reach out to their **Shepherding Elders** often. They want to pray with and for you! If you do not have a Shepherding Elder, please email the church office.

Shepherding Elders / Deacons:
Elders……elders@springmeadowspres.org
Deacons……..…….…deacons@springmeadowspres.org

Sermons may be *found* online on our Sound Cloud page:
https://soundcloud.com/smpc-las-vegas-nv/

Sermons can be *heard* live online at 11AM every Sunday:
https://springmeadowspres.org/resources/sermons

Download the SMPC "**Connect**" App on your mobile device.
https://springmeadowspres.churchtrac.com or scan **QR Code.**

Complete **SMPC Survey** online under *Contact* or scan **QR Code.**

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Greeters:	Mark & Victoria B.	*Beverly & Lynn*
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Nursery:	Amanda Summer	*Amanda S*.
Church Nursery	Heidi Rudy	*Jessica W*.
Communion Table	David Sonner	*Bonnie Taylor*

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If you are interested in serving the body at Spring Meadows and would like more information on where and how you can serve, please contact the church office for information.

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Current Sunday School Offerings: 9:30a-10:15a

Adult Sunday School:
Series: Infant Baptism
Teacher: Ron Warren

Pre-K
Series: Jesus Is the Savior
Title: Jesus Is Arrested
Teacher: Jessica & Cameron Denny

Grades (K-2)
Series: Matthew 12
Teacher: Jessica Salinas / Mary Posey

Grades (2-5)
Title: Numbers
Teacher: Claire Hiles

Grades (6-12)
Series: Digging Deeper:
Title: Exploring the Shorter Catechism
Teacher: Jeff Williams

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If you are interested in serving alongside our current volunteers in the Children's Ministry at Spring Meadows, please contact Elder Dan Phillips.

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Children's Ministry Contacts:

Overseeing Elder- danphillips@springmeadowspres.org
Nursery Scheduling- smpcchildrensministry@springmeadowspres.org
Youth Ministry: christianbland@springmeadowspres.org

Upcoming SMPC Events

- **VBS 2024 > The King is Coming! July 23-26** from **5-8p.** Students Pre-K > Middle School. Registration is open for both Attendees and Volunteers. Sign up in the back! Contact **Dan Phillips** or **Hannah B**.
- **Communicants Classes** will be held **June 22 & June 29** from **10a – 12p.** These two Saturday classes will be held by **Elder Ed Kelley** at Church property.
- **SMPC M.S. & H.S. Youth Ministry: Pool Party June 28th** Save the Date!
- **Southwest Reformed Youth Camp** Registration is open! Camp will take place in Palomar, CA, **August 5-9 of 2024**! Details on back counter.
- **Men's Book Discussion> "The Whole Christ"** by Sinclair Ferguson is meeting every other Saturday from **7a-8a** led by Elder Rick Vetanovetz. Schedule and Books are in Men's Cubby. Book cost $17.
- **Men's & Women's ongoing book study: "Institutes of the Christian Religion'** by John Calvin is led by Deacon Walt Kwasniewski on Fridays **6:30p-8p** at SMPC.
- **SMPC MEMBERSHIP CLASS:** If you are interested in learning about being a Member of SMPC, sign up for the next class in the back or contact the Office.

For more information on our events, visit: Springmeadowspres.org, or our Church App> Springmeadowspres.churchtrac.com



June Birthdays		June Anniversaries
7th – Nate W.	21st – Katey F.	7th – Andy & Kristen C.
9th – Allison R.	22nd – Josh B.	11th – David & Sally S.
12th – Daniel L.	24th – Becky S.	20th – Chris & Kathy W.
14th – Victoria B.	25th – Michelle S	20th - Dave & Kathy M.
16th – Jordan F.	26th- - Kenneth O.	27th – Richard & Jessica S.
16th – Leia H.	28th – Kristen C.	

Community Groups at Spring Meadows

At Spring Meadows, we understand that believers are called to "*Build up one another*". We meet in Community Groups the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month around Las Vegas to worship Christ, train for ministry, and pray for the kingdom of God together. Contact a Group Leader for details.

North
Elder Dan Phillips
danphillips@springmeadowspres.org
Meets: 2nd and 4th Sundays
5:00PM – 7:00 PM

Central
Elder Ed Kelley
edkelley@springmeadowspres.org
Meets: 2nd and 4th Sundays
5:00PM – 7:00 PM

Green Valley
Elder Rick Vetanovetz
rickvetano@springmeadowspres.org
Meets: 2nd and 4th Sundays
4:00PM – 6:00 PM

South Henderson / Boulder City
Assistant Pastor Christian Bland
christianbland@springmeadowspres.org
Meets: 2nd and 4th Sundays
4:00PM – 6:00 PM

Scan the **QR code** for Information regarding Community Groups

***1 Thessalonians 5:*11**
"Therefore encourage one another & build one another up, just as you are doing."