“It is well worthy of remark, that amidst the numerous designations of the minister of the gospel in the new Testament, intended to set forth the nature of their office, they are never officially called priest. This is the only passage in which the term is even figuratively applied to them, and that under circumstances which render its misapprehension impossible. They are not mediators between God and man; they do not offer propitiatory sacrifices. Their only priesthood is the preaching of the gospel, and their offerings are redeemed and sanctified men saved by their instrumentality.”
Charles Hodge

*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

January 12, 2025

Welcome and Announcements Elder Paul Hiles

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 Asst. Pastor Christian Bland

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.
(Chorus)

Jesus, the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above.
(Chorus)

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n.
(Chorus)

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
And take His servants up to their eternal home.
(Chorus)

Chorus*:* Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Invocation

Congregational Response of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Gospel Renewal

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance:
We confess, Almighty God, that we have greatly sinned, in thought, word, and deed, in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. According to Your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. By the blood of Christ, forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 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!

Deep, Deep Love

Your deep, deep love washes over me.
Your deep, deep love fills my ev'ry need.
How I long to hear Your voice call out my name.
It draws me to Your deep, deep love.

Your deep, deep love cleanses all my sins.
Your deep, deep love brings a peace within.
How I long to hear Your voice call out my name.
It draws me to Your deep, deep love.

***Chorus**:* Lord, my heart is filled with praises,
For Your goodness makes me sing.
Jesus, I'm forever grateful,
For Your love has done a work in me.

It's Your deep, deep love washes over me.
Your deep, deep love fills my ev'ry need.
How I long to hear Your voice call out my name.
It draws me to Your deep, deep love.

Oh yes, it draws me to Your deep, deep love.
Oh yes, it draws me to Your deep, deep love.

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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.

Receiving New Member Dannielle Doplayna
Praying Elder Dave McGuire

Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord

Experiencing Renewal

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!

Amazing God

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
Creation revealing Your majesty,
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring,
Every creature unique in the song that it sings, all exclaiming—

Chorus: Indescribable, uncontainable, You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name, You are amazing God.
All powerful, untamable, awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim You are amazing God.

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go,
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow,
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night; none can fathom.
(Chorus)

Indescribable, uncontainable, You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name, You are amazing God.
Incomparable, unchangeable, You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same, You are amazing God,
You are amazing God!

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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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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.*
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Pastoral Prayer

Song of Preparation to Hear God's Word

By Grace I Am an Heir of Heaven

By grace I am an heir of heaven:
why doubt this, O my trembling heart?
If what the Scriptures promise clearly is true and firm in ev'ry part,
This also must be truth divine: by grace a crown of life is mine.

By grace alone shall I inherit that blissful home beyond the skies.
Works count for naught, the Lord incarnate hath won for me the heav'nly prize. Salvation by His death He wrought,
His grace alone my pardon bought.

By grace! These precious words remember when sorely by thy sins oppressed, When Satan comes to vex thy spirit, when troubled conscience sighs for rest; What reason cannot comprehend,
God doth to thee by grace extend.

By grace! Be this in death my comfort; despite my fears, 'tis well with me. I know my sin in all its greatness, but also Him who sets me free.
My heart to naught but joy gives place
since I am saved by grace, by grace!

Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word: Pastor Tim Posey

Series: **Romans**
Title: **Paul's Mission and Purpose**
Text: **Romans 15:14-33**
Theme**: Paul's Passion and Godly Ambition**

Intro:

I. Ministry to the Gentiles (15:14-21)

A. A Priestly Ministry (15:14-17)

B. A Powerful Ministry (15:18-19)

C. A Pioneering Ministry (15:19-21)

II. Plans for the Future (15:22-29)

III. A Plea for Prayer (15:30-33)

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

Song of Response

Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die, "It is finished!" was His cry:
Now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

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 bread.

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.

Servants:

	01-12-2025	01-19-2025
Greeters	Ron & Lynn Warren	Paul & Claire H.
Coffee Station	Erika Isalas	Alex Kwasniewski
Church Nursery	Jessica Denny	Jessica Williams
Communion	Bonnie Taylor	Scott & Grace J.

For more ways to serve, https://springmeadowspres.org/volunteer/

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.

Sunday School Every Sunday at 9:30–10:15 AM

Adult Sunday School:
Series — Of the Holy Scripture WCF
Title — Content & Interpretation (WCF 1.6-10)
Teacher — Christian Bland

Pre-K
Series — God Leads His People
Title — God Keeps His Word
Teacher — Eun-me Phillips

Grades (K-2)
Series — Investigating God's Word
Title — Genesis 1-24
Teacher — Harley Adams

Grades (2-5)
Series — Investigating God's Word
Title — 1 Samuel
Teacher — Katey Forster

Grades (6-12)
Series — Digging Deeper
Title — Exploring the Shorter Catechism
Teacher — Jeff Williams / Richard Salinas

For more info, visit https://springmeadowspres.org/sunday-school/

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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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, or if you aren't sure who your Shepherding Elder is, please email the church office.

To get connected with the SMPC family, please download our '**Connect App'** and complete the **Connection Survey** located under 'Resources' on our website.

For more information about SMPC, our ministries, upcoming events, or to listen to sermon recordings, visit our website:

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Announcements

With the start of 2025, we are asking all **Members** to serve on rotation in one or more of the following areas: Greeters, Coffee Station Attendants, Communion Table Clean Up, Children's Nursery, Children's Sunday School Classes, Worship Team, Audio Visual, Fellowship Meals, Easter & Christmas Special Events or Youth Group. The body at Spring Meadows is filled with gifted people, let's come together and all play a part!! Please let the church office know how you plan to serve this year.

M.S. & H.S. Youth Ministry, every **Wednesday 5p-6:30p** at the Church property, led by Christian Bland**.** Join us & invite your friends for a lesson in *Defending the Faith*, Games and Dinner!

Our Fellowship Meal is next **Sunday, Jan. 19th.** Please plan on staying following Service. We ask each home to bring a Main Dish + a Side or Dessert to share.

Men's Book Discussion > 'Embodied Hope" by **Kelly Kapic**, meets every other Saturday at 7AM. Study led by Elder Rick Vetanovetz. Next discussion 1/25.

Ladies, last chance to Sign Up for the Women's Workshop January 25th! You will hear an intro of the book Deeper by Dane Ortlund w/ (4) Breakout Classes on topics such as Despair; Union; Embrace; Acquittal; Honesty & Pain. Sign Up in the back & receive a free book! Come Fellowship with us & enjoy a Brunch. Childcare is provided!

Ladies Galentine's Night Out: February 10, 4:30p-7p. Event at **The Pottery Shop** with Childcare provided at Church property. Stay tuned for more details to follow.

Ladies, you are invited to the **2025 SMPC Women's Retreat** held at the beautiful Red Mountain Resort near St. George, UT. This will be a **2-night getaway** with exciting teaching from **Carrie Mills,** wonderful food, a relaxing atmosphere & great fellowship with sisters-in-Christ. Sign up with Michelle Santiago after Service & be sure to use the Link on our website under Women's Ministry to book Room by 2/12.

SMPC Events This Week

Sunday 1/12	
9:30 AM	Sunday School (All ages)
10:30 AM	Worship Service
12:00 PM	SongBirds Choir Rehearsal-Cry Room-
Wednesday 1/15	
5:00 PM	M.S. & H.S. Youth Group Ministry (Church)
Friday 1/17	
6:30 PM	Coed Book Study: Calvin's Institutes led by Walt K.

For more information about upcoming events, please visit our website, springmeadowspres.org/events-calendar, or contact us.

Community Groups

Community groups are one of the best opportunities to deepen relationships with other Christians and to build each other up. These small groups meet on the **2nd** & **4th** **Sundays** of every month in homes all around Las Vegas for fellowship, food, Bible study, and prayer. Contact a Group Leader or visit our website for details.

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1-Jessica K.	16-Cora K.	29th- Scott & Grace J.
2-Erick I.	17-Karen M.	
4-Teri A.	19-Alex K.	
6-Jeff W.	19-Anneliese W.	
7-Jeff C.	20-Cameron D.	
7-Ron W.	20-Paul H.	
7-Aidan C.	20-Karen G.	
10-Annabel L.	21-Catherine K.	
10-Monica L.	23-Jude S.	
10-Wesley L.	26-Sakura G.	
10-Eliza M.	27-Vanessa B.	
11-Abel R.	28-Rebecca U.	
13th Emma G.	27th Ethan H.	
13th Rick V.	29th Joe S.	
15th James L.	31st Cyrus D.	
17th Macie O.	31st Judy B.	