"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building" (1 Corinthians 3:6-9).

*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

March 16, 2025

Welcome and Announcements Elder Dave McGuire

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

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (Psalm 146)

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.
Heav'n and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;
He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain.

Food He daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free, raises
those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eyes to see.
Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger He befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
*****Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

(Repeat *)

Invocation

Congregational Response of Faith: Psalm 124:8

Minister: People of God, from where does your help come?

Congregation: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.

Gospel Renewal

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance:
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. 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!

Think About His Love

Think about His love, think about His goodness,
Think about His grace that's brought us through.
For as high as the heavens above,
So great is the measure of our Father's love.
Great is the measure of our Father's love.

(Repeat)

The Blessing

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

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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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Greeting One Another in the Name of the Lord

Come Boldly to the Throne of Grace

Come boldly to the throne of grace, though lost, and blind and lame;
Jehovah is the sinner's Friend, and ever was the same.
"How can I come?" some soul may say, "I'm lame and cannot walk;
My guilt and sin have stopped my mouth; I sigh but dare not talk."

Chorus: He makes the dead to hear His voice; He makes the blind to see; The sinner lost He came to save and set the prisoner free.
Come boldly to the throne of grace, ye wretched sinners come;
And lay your load at Jesus' feet and plead what He has done.

Come boldly to the throne of grace, for Jesus fills the throne;
And those He kills He makes alive; He hears the sigh or groan.
Poor bankrupt souls, who feel and know the hell of sin within,
Come boldly to the throne of grace; the Lord will take you in.

(Chorus)

Come boldly to the throne of grace, though lost, and blind and lame;
Jehovah is the sinner's Friend, and ever was the same.

Your Will Be Done

Your will be done my God and Father As in heaven so on earth
My heart is drawn to self-exalting. Help me seek Your kingdom first
As Jesus walked so shall I walk held by Your same unchanging love. Be still my soul O lift your voice & pray Father not my will but Yours be done

How in that garden He persisted I may never fully know. The fearful weight of true obedience it was held by Him alone. What wondrous faith to bear that cross to bear my sin what wondrous love. My hope was sure when there my Saviour prayed. Father not my will but Yours be done.

As we go forth our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight.
That all the world might see Your glory and Your Name be lifted high.
***** And in this Name we overcome for You shall see us safely home.
Now as Your church we lift our voice and pray, Father not my will but Yours be done.

(*Repeat *)*

Father not my will but Yours be done.
Father not my will but Yours be done.

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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

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mem'ry find,
A sweeter sound than Thy blest name, O Savior of mankind.

O Hope of ev'ry contrite heart, O Joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be Thou, as Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our glory now, and through eternity.

Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word: Asst. Pastor Christian Bland

Scripture: **Mark 4:26-29**
Title: **God's Kingdom is Growing**

I. Growth Is Imperceptible

II. God Is the Source

III. Harvest Is the Goal

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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 of Tithes and Offerings

__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.

Song of Response

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Alas! And did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die!
Would He devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!

Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree!
Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe.
Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

Guidelines for the __Lord's Supper__ can be found on the next page of this bulletin.

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

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

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

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 do not 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:	03-16-2025	03-23-2025
Greeters	James & Galina H.	Rick & Shawnee V.
Coffee Station	Alex Kwasniewski	Patty Lovelady
Communion	Marcel Poulin	Ritesh Chakranarayan
Church Nursery	Heidi Rudy	Michaela Bland

For more ways to serve, visit 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 Westminster Confession of Faith
Title Of God's Covenant with Man (WCF 7.3-6)
The Covenant of Grace
Teacher Asst. Pastor Christian Bland

Pre-K

Series Living in God's Family
Title Jesus Says, "Ask God to Forgive You"
Teacher Patty Lovelady

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

Grades (K-2)

Series Investigating God's Word
Title Matthew 12
Teacher Harley Adams

Grades (2-5)

Series Investigating God's Word
Title 1 Samuel 11:12-12:25
Teacher Katey Forster

Grades (6-12)

Series Digging Deeper
Title Exploring the Shorter Catechism
Teacher Jeff Williams / Richard Salinas

For more info, visit springmeadowspres.org/Sunday-school

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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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Chimaine Shadd, Admin

Announcements

All Members are vital to the life of Spring Meadows and are encouraged to serve alongside one another, utilizing their gifts in one of our various ongoing ministries. Please contact the church office to be added to one of the ministry rotations. All needed.

Ladies Bible Studies (3) classes offered.**1 & 2 Peter**; "*Living Hope in a Hard World"* by Lydia Brownback. **Sign Up Sheets** + **$5 Books** are in the Women's Cubbies.

Singles in the Church (S.I.C.) – will be gathering on Saturday, **March 29th** from **5p-8p**. Games, fellowship and Spaghetti + Meatballs to be enjoyed. See Kevin or Mitchi Thomas for further details.

Church-Wide Invite > Lecture + Luncheon Sat. April 5th with **Dr. Kelly Kapic**, author of "Embodied Hope". Dr. Kapic will discuss topics surrounding his book w/ a Q & A Session. This is open to **ALL** in **SMPC** and others from local churches *(Outreach Opportunity).* Lunch + Childcare are included. Please **RSVP** on the sign-up sheet (*red clipboard*) in the back **or** reply to the email that was sent from Church office.

Good Friday Service: April 18th at **6PM.** There will be no childcare this evening.

Easter Morning Reception: April 20th at **9:30AM** in place of all Sunday School Classes for all, followed by Service at 10:30AM. Easter Egg Hunt for children after Service.

Our Upcoming Fellowship Meal is scheduled for **May 18th** following the Service, and will be a **Picnic in the Park**. Park TBD. Our **Fellowship Meal Dates** have been posted online and in back of Sanctuary.

VBS 2025 "The Race Is On" is **June 10-13, 4:30p-7:30p** @ SMPC. (Ages 4yrs – M.S.) Please reserve the dates and stay tuned for further information.

SMPC Events This Week

Sunday 3/16	9:30 AM	Sunday School (All ages)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Wednesday 3/19	10:00 AM	Ladies 1 & 2 Peter Study (Church)
Thursday 3/20	6:00 PM	Ladies 1 & 2 Peter Study (Church)
Friday 3/21	6:30 PM	Coed Book Study: Calvin's Institutes (Church)
Saturday 3/22	7:00 AM	Men's Book Discussion Embodied Hope (Church)

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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Birthdays	Birthdays	Anniversaries
3-Laney A.	16-Kelly H.	14-Ritesh & Kriz
3-Ritesh C.	16-Wendy L.	
3-Toad B.	18-Ella F.	15-Daniel & Amanda
4-Jane M.	18-Bob S.	
5-Christian B.	19-Alex S.	28-Eric & Amy
8-Micah T.	24-Lawrence S.	
10-Kathy M.	25-Richard S.	
13-Lynda J.	25-Brenda F.	
15-Michaela B.		

Happy Birthday &
Happy Anniversary to You!