In the words of Martin Lloyd-Jones, we spend too much time "listening to ourselves" and not enough time "talking to ourselves" (Spiritual Depression, 20). What does it look like to preach to yourself? He writes,

Would you like to be rid of this spiritual depression? The first thing you have to do is to say farewell now once and for ever to your past. Realize that it has been covered and blotted out in Christ. Never look back at your sins again. Say: "It is finished; it is covered by the Blood of Christ." That is your first step. Take that and finish with yourself and all this talk about goodness, and look to the Lord Jesus Christ. It is only then that true happiness and joy are possible for you. What you need isn't to make resolutions to live a better life, to start fasting and sweating and praying. No! You just begin to say: "I rest my faith on Him alone who died for my transgressions to atone."(Spiritual Depression,35)

*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

May 25, 2025

Welcome and Announcements Elder Paul Hiles

Celebrating His Presence

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

Preparation for Worship

Prelude Worship Team

Call to Worship Asst. Pastor Christian Bland

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty pow'r of God, that made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
He formed the creatures with His word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye:
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below, but makes Thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne;
While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care,
And ev'rywhere that man can be, Thou, God, art present there.

Invocation

Congregational Response of Faith: WSC Q:7

Q: What are the decrees of God?

A: The decrees of God are, His eternal purpose, according to the counsel of His will, whereby, for His own glory, He hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

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!

Poor Sinner, Dejected With Fear

Poor sinner, dejected with fear, unbosom thy mind to the Lamb;
No wrath on His brow He does wear, nor will He poor mourners condemn; His arm of omnipotent grace is able and willing to save;
A sweet and a permanent peace He'll freely and faithfully give.

Come just as thou art, with thy woe, fall down at the feet of the Lamb; He will not, He cannot say, "Go", but surely will take out thy stain. A fountain is open for sin, and thousands its virtues have proved; He'll take thee, and plunge thee therein,
and wash thee from filth in His blood.

The soul that on Jesus relies, He'll never, no never deceive;
He freely and faithfully gives more blessings than we can conceive;
Yea, down to old age He will keep, nor will He forsake us at last;
He knows and is known by His sheep; they're His, and He will hold them fast.

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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 with Peace in the Name of the Lord

Experiencing Renewal

Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; holy, holy is He,
Sing a new song to Him who sits on heaven's mercy seat. ***(Chorus)***

***Chorus**:* Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings. You are my ev'rything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder, Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be
To You, the only wise King. ***(Chorus)***

Filled with wonder, awe-struck wonder, at the mention of Your name,
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,
such a marv'lous mystery.

(Chorus 2x)

How Great Is Your Faithfulness

Now unto the King who reigns over all, And never changes
or turns; Unfailing justice, unfading grace,
Whose promises remain, yes, Your promises remain.

***Chorus**:* The heavens ring, the saints all sing,
"Great is Your faithfulness". From age to age we will proclaim,
"Great is Your faithfulness, how great is Your faithfulness".

Everything changes, but You stay the same; Your Word and Kingdom endure. We lean on the promise of all that You are,
And trust forevermore; we will trust forevermore.
(Chorus)

***Bridge**:* From generation to generation, You never fail us, O God.
Yesterday and today and tomorrow, Until the day You return.

*****The heavens ring, the saints all sing. Great is Your faithfulness.
From age to age we will proclaim Great is Your faithfulness
***(Repeat** *)*

Great is Your faithfulness!
How great is Your faithfulness!

*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, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness
my beauty are, my glorious dress;
'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
with joy shall I lift up my head.

Bold shall I stand in Thy great day;
for who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully absolved through these I am
from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

Jesus, be endless praise to Thee,
whose boundless mercy hath for me—
For me a full atonement made,
an everlasting ransom paid.

O let the dead now hear Thy voice;
now bid Thy banished ones rejoice;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness.

Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word: Pastor Tim Posey

Series: **The Gospel According to Elijah and Elisha**
Title: **God's Grace for His Broken Servant**
Text: **1 Kings 19:5-18**
Theme: **The Tenderness of God for His Servant**

Intro:

I. Bread in the Wilderness (vv.5-8)

II. A Voice on the Mountain (vv.9-13a)

III. The Still Small Voice (vv.13b-18)

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

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

Benevolence Offering
Prayer — Deacon Dave Gonzales

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:	**05-25-2025**	**06-01-2025**
Greeters	Rick & Shawnee V.	Mark & Victoria B.
Coffee Station	Nick Dudgeon	Sandy Green
Communion	Scott & Grace J.	David Sonner
Church Nursery	Heidi Rudy	Anya Foxall

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

Adults:

Series Biblical Literacy
Title Biblical Theology
Teacher Christian Bland

Pre-K
Series Jesus Is God
Title Jesus Forgives and Restores
Teacher Eun-me Phillips

Grades (K-2)
Series Investigating God's Word
Title Seeing Jesus in the Gospel of Luke
Teacher Dan Phillips

Grades (3-5)
Series Investigating God's Word
Title Luke 8:26-9:62
Teacher Claire Hiles

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

For more info, visit 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, contact 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

M.S. and **H.S. Youth Group: Wednesdays from 5p-6:30p,** led by Christian Bland meets at the Church. Games, Lesson & Dinner enjoyed by all. We are studying Apologetics and considering & comparing the beliefs of other Christian denominations. See Rebecca U. if you would like to sign up to bring a meal.

Men's Book Study: 'Rejoice & Tremble' by Michael Reeves**,** led by Elder Rick V. Men will meet every other Saturday, here beginning **May 31st** until **Sept. 6th**. **$12** Books + **Syllabus** can be found in the men's cubby with the Sign-up Sheet is in the Men's Cubby. Sign up today! Pay Church Office (Cash /Check) or you can pay online, designating 'Rejoice & Tremble' in memo.

Men's Fellowship Event:16 yrs or above. **Friday, June 20th, 6p-10p** @ Jon W.'s. This will be time of relaxing fellowship with a devotional focused on biblical manhood led by Keith T, an update to Men's Ministry with delicious food! Please **RSVP** on Sign Up Sheet or reply to the Email that was sent from the Church.

VBS 2025 "The Race Is On" is **June 10-13, 4:30p-7:30p** @ SMPC. (4yrs – M.S.) Register today by scanning **QR Code** on next page or on outside of kid's classrooms. See Elder Dan Phillips or Elder Paul Hiles with questions.

VBS Leader Meeting today, **May 25th** after service in the Pastor's Library.

VBS All Staff + Volunteers Meeting after Service on **June 8th** in Sanctuary.

Reminder: Lost & Found will be emptied at the end of the month!

SMPC Events This Week

Sunday 5/25	9:30 AM	Sunday School (All ages)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	12:00 PM	VBS Leader Meeting in Pastor's Library
Wednesday 5/28	5:00 PM	Youth Group for M.S. + H.S. (Church)
Friday 5/30	6:30 PM	Co-ed *Calvin's Institutes* Book Study (Church)
Saturday 5/31	7:00 AM	Men's *Rejoice & Tremble* Book Discussion (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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MAY	Birthdays	Birthdays	Anniversaries	Anniversaries
1-Elijah M.	16-Nan Y.	23-Mark B	1-Tim & Stephanie	12-Steve & Wendy
3-Cathy H.	17-Dan P.	24-Lily G.	5-Josh & Hannah	15-Ed & Terri
3-Sabrina C.	17-Amy F.	26-Todd A.	7-Ryan & Annie	15-Paul & Claire
7-Jan G.	17-Roxy M.	29-Adam L.	8-John & Eliza	26-Steve & Susan
8-April S.	19-Stuart W.	29-Grayson A.	11-John & Sherry	
10-Jim S.	19-Katie L.	30-Dave S.		
14-RuthClaire	19-Ryan R.	31-Annie R.		
15-Ed K.	19-Anya F.			

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 10-13 (4:30p-7:30p) at SMPC



VBS
THE RACE IS ON!

Scan to Register!

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