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*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.*

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

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"O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me. But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; like a weaned child is my soul within me. O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore."
(Psalm 131:1-3)

Order of Worship

July 27, 2025

Welcome and Announcements Elder Andy Crawford

Celebrating His Presence

Preparation for Worship

Prelude Worship Team

Call to Worship Elder Dan Phillips

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God: the Father, Maker of the heav'n and earth;
And in Jesus Christ our Savior, God's own Son of matchless worth.
By the Holy Ghost conceived, Virgin Mary bore God's Son,
He in Whom I have believed, God Almighty Three in One.

Suffered under Pontius Pilate, crucified for me, He died.
Lies within the grave so silent, gates of hell He opened wide.
And the stone-sealed tomb was empty, on the third day He arose.
Into heaven made His entry, Mighty Victor o'er His foes.

At God's right hand He is seated till His coming as He said;
Final judgement will be meted to the living and the dead;
I confess the Holy Spirit, has been sent through Christ, the Son;
He applies salvation's merit, God the Spirit Three in One.

I believe the church of Jesus, holy catholic remains.
We are one through all the angels, with communion of the saints.
I believe sins are forgiven, that our bodies will be raised;
Everlasting life in heaven; A-men, let His name be praised!

Invocation

Congregational Response of Faith: WSC Q:9

Q: What is the work of Creation?

A: The work of creation is God's making all things of nothing, by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very good.

Gospel Renewal

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance:
Most merciful God, whose son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive us for our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Strengthen us in such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will. In Jesus' 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!

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.

And now let the weak say, 'I am strong',
Let the poor say, 'I am rich'
Because of what
the Lord has done for us!'

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.

Give thanks, give thanks!

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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

Great Are You, Lord

Holy Lord, most holy Lord,
You alone are worthy of my praise;
O holy Lord, most holy Lord,
With all of my heart I sing.

Great are You, Lord, worthy of praise,
Holy and true, great are You, Lord,
Most holy Lord.

(Repeat All)

Psalm 62

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation,
A fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse,
and lies, like arrows, pierce me,
I'll fix my heart on righteousness,
I'll look to Him who hears me.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone, amid the world's temptations.
When evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation;
Though riches come and riches go,
don't set your heart upon them.
The fields of hope in which I sow
are harvested in heaven.

Chorus*:* Oh, praise Him, hallelujah! My delight and my reward.
Everlasting, never failing, my Redeemer, my God.

I'll set my gaze on God alone, and trust in Him completely;
With ev'ry day pour out my soul, and He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
a sigh too brief to measure,
My King has crushed the curse of death,
and I am His forever.

(Repeat Chorus 2x)

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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 Christian Bland

Scripture: **Mark 10:13-16**
Title: **A Kingdom for Children**

I. The Lowliness of Children (v. 13)

II. The Kingdom Belongs to Children (vv. 14 & 16)

III. Receive the Kingdom Like Children (v. 15)

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

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

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 Jeff Williams

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:	07-27-2025	08-03-2025
Greeters	Rick & Shawnee V.	Mark & Victoria B.
Coffee Station	Shadds	Sandy Green
Communion	Minas Mkhitarian	David Sonner
Church Nursery	Kathey Wassell	Jane Russell

For more ways to serve, visit springmeadowspres.org/volunteer

8-03-2025 Sunday School 9:30AM-10:15AM

Adults:
Series Reformed Piety and Practice
Title Fasting, Prayer, and Humiliation for Sin #2
Teacher Paul Hiles

Pre-K
Series God Created All Things
Title God Created Day and Night
Teacher Patty Lovelady

Grades (K-2)
Series Investigating God's Word
Title Genesis 6-7
Teacher Harley Adams

Grades (3-5)
Series Investigating God's Word
Title 1 Samuel 17
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

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.

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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Christian Bland, Pastor
Chimaine Shadd, Mgr.

Announcements

- **Moms & Tots** (0-5yrs) will meet here this Tues. **9:30a – 11:30a**. Open to all mom and grandmothers, invite your friends! **Donations** are welcome > Big Toys, Riding Toys & Dress Up Clothes! See Gwennan Turner or Chimaine.
- **Middle School & High School Youth Group,** led by Pastor Bland will meet this **Wednesday** at 5pm, at our church property. Summer Series is on **The Life of Christ.** Invite your friends to join! Games, God's Word & Good Grub to be enjoyed by all!
- **Calvin's Institutes Co-ed Book Discussion:** every Fri. here at 6:30PM.
- **Ladies Summer Book Discussion: Rejoice & Tremble** by Michael Reeves. Sign Up Sheet & $12 Books in the back. August Discussion Event TBD.
- **Men's Rejoice & Tremble Book Discussion** will meet **Sat. August 9th 7AM** at the church property**.** Led by Elder Rick Vetanovetz.
- **The Women's Ministry Leadership Class,** led by Kristi Schmid and Shawnee Vetanovetz is open to all women and begins this Thursday, **7/31**. This is a **5-week** study held at the church on Thursdays **6pm to 8pm**. This class will help you view women's leadership through a survey of women in the Bible. If you have any questions, reach out to Shawnee Vetanovetz or Kristi Schmid. Please **RSVP** on sign-up sheet in the back.
- **Lost & Found** all unclaimed items will soon be disposed of. Please check it out on the back counter in front of Cry Room. Many water bottles & kid items.

Events This Week at Spring Meadows

Sunday 7/27	9:30 AM	Sunday School (All ages)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Tuesday 7/29	9:30 AM	Moms & Tots
Wednesday 7/30	5:00 PM	M.S. & H.S. Youth Group
Thursday 07/31	6:00 PM	Women's Leadership Class
Friday 8/01	6:30 PM	Co-ed Calvin's Institutes Study

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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JULY	Birthdays	Birthdays	Birthdays	Anniversaries
	1-John D.	20-Kristen H.	28-Pam Posey	4-Aaron & Fumiko G.
	3-Asher W.	20-Stephanie C.	29- John R.	8-Mark & Victoria B.
	3-Melody R.	20- Jeff E.	31-Ezra F.	9-Steve & Terri H.
	5-Gerron F.	21-Aaron G.	31-Jessica D.	10-Bob & Lois S.
	9-Paul F.	22- Dave G.	31-Gable E.	15-Scott & Chimaine S.
	9-Robert G.	22-RJ S.		19-Alex & Ebony S.
	10-Bonnie T.	24-Abigail C.		22-Ken & Stephanie O.
	18-Katarina C.	24-Greg T.		24-Mark & Teri A.
	19-Ming X.	27-Galina H.		30- Ed & Darlene T.
	19-Steve L.	28-Stephanie E.		31-Gerron & Brenda F.



Thank you to all that participated in our Fellowship Meal!

From making delicious dishes to set up and take down!
It was a blessing for all!