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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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Matthew 23:25-28

25 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. 26 You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean.
27 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness. 28 So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

# Order of Worship

November 16, 2025

**Welcome and Announcements** Elder Andy Crawford

## Celebrating His Presence

**Preparation for Worship**

**Prelude** Worship Team

**Call to Worship** Elder Dave McGuire

## *O Worship the King*

O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,
and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end;
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn Thee above
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall lisp to Thy praise.

**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:**

Eternal God, in Whom we live and move and have our being, Whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and Whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offences, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ, Your Son. 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!

## *Great is the Lord, His Mercy Endures*

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
So great is His mercy to me.
And as far as the east is from the west,
So far are my sins from me.

Great is the Lord,
His mercy endures forever, forever.
Great is the Lord,
His mercy endures forever, forever.

***(Repeat All)***

**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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**Reception of Members** Nathan and Morgan Isaacs

**Baptism of Covenant Children** David Isaacs
Mila Kwasniewski

**Prayer** Elder Ryan Roper

**Greeting One Another with Peace in the Name of the Lord**

# Experiencing Renewal

## *Come, Let Us Worship*

Come let us worship and bow down,
And kneel before the Lord, our Maker.
***(Repeat)***

***Chorus****:* He is our God, He is our God;
We are the people of His pasture. He is our God, He is our God;
We are the sheep of His Hand.

*******Come let us worship and bow down,
And kneel before the Lord, our Maker.
***(Repeat*)***
***(Chorus)***

***Bridge****:* Worship the Lord in holiness; Let the whole earth stand in awe. He will come to judge the earth In righteousness and truth.
*(**Chorus**)*

## *He Will Hold Me Fast*

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold, Through life's fearful path.
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

***Chorus:*** He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast. For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
**(Chorus)**
For my life, He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast.
"Til' our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!
**(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

### *I Will Sing of My Redeemer*

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His wondrous love to me;
On the cruel cross He suffered,
From the curse to set me free.
***(Refrain)***

I will tell the wondrous story
How, my lost estate to save,
In His boundless love and mercy,
He the ransom freely gave.
***(Refrain)***

I will praise my dear Redeemer;
His triumphant power I'll tell,
How the victory He giveth
Over sin and death and hell.
***(Refrain)***

I will sing of my Redeemer
And His heavenly love for me;
He from death to life hath brought me,
Son of God, with Him to be.
***(Refrain)***

***Refrain****:* Sing, O sing of my Redeemer!
With His blood He purchased me;
On the cross He sealed my pardon,
Paid the debt and made me free.

# Deepening Our Commitment

**Preaching of the Word:** Pastor Tim Posey

**Series:** The Sermon on the Mount
**Title:** Purity of Heart
**Text:** Matthew 5:8
**Theme:** The Meaning of Having a Pure Heart

Intro:

I. What is a Pure Heart?

II. How Do We Get a Pure Heart?

III. How Do We Know We Have a Pure Heart?

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**

## *Take My Life, And Let It Be*

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee,
Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use every pow'r as Thou shalt choose,
Every pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take my self and I will be ever, only, all for Thee,
Ever, only, all for Thee.

**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 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:** | **11-16-2025** | **11-23-2025** |
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| **Greeters** | Jim & Galina H. | Susan D. / Bev. J. |
| **Coffee Station** | Alex Kwasniewski | Patty Lovelady |
| **Communion** | Ritesh Chakranarayan | Minas Mkhitarian |
| **Church Nursery** | Katey Forster | Jane Russell |

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.

## 11-23-2025 Sunday School 9:30AM-10:15AM

**Adults**:
Series Church History
Title The Nicene Creed Part One
Teacher Pastor Christian Bland

**Pre-K**
Series Jesus is God's Son
Title Wise Men Worship Jesus
Teacher Eun-me Phillips

**Grades (K-2)**
Series Investigating God's Word
Title Genesis
Teacher Gwennan Turner

**Grades (3-5)**
Series Investigating God's Word
Title II Samuel 6 & I Chronicles 11:10-13:14
Teacher Claire Hiles

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

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.

## Making Contact

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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:

*Springmeadowspres.org*

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Rick Vetanovetz, RE
Ron Warren, RE
Ryan Roper, RE
Tim Posey, TE

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David Gonzales
Jeff Williams
Joe Schmid
Mark Baltazar
Walt Kwasniewski

## SMPC Staff

Tim Posey, Pastor
Christian Bland, Pastor
Chimaine Shadd, Mgr.

# Announcements

- **Samaritan's Purse Operation Xmas Child Shoebox Ministry**:**10/26 – 11/16.** SMPC is honored to be a part with our goal of 100 shoeboxes. Grab yours today! Filled Shoeboxes w/ Shipping Cost are due by **11/16**. Contacts: Terri K. or Karen G.
- **Men's Fellowship Event and Mini Conference** will take place on **Nov. 21st & 22nd.**
- Friday Event **5p-10p**. Mini-Conference on Saturday is **8a-1:30p**. **RSVP** Sign Up Sheet for both Separate Events on back counter. Contact: Rick Vetanovetz.
- **NextSTEP Ministries Winter Clothing Drive** Collection Days **Nov.23,30, Dec.7&14**. SMPC is proud to support this local homeless ministry ran by Deacon Walt. Share the Warmth, in need of Men's Thermal Tops & Pants Sizes Med-XXL & Men's Gloves. There will be a marked bin in the back of Sanctuary for all donations.
- **2026 Missions Fund Pledges** are due by **December 7th**. Please fill out the blue pledge form and deposit in one of the two Mission Fund boxes on the back counter.
- **Men's Book Discussion**: **The Reason for God** will begin **Dec. 6th**. Sign Up Sheet, Syllabus and $10 books are in the Men's Cubby. Pay Church Office or Pay Online. Book discussion will be led by Elder Rick Vetanovetz on select Saturdays at **7AM**.
- **Women's Conference: Joyfully Pursuing Heaven's Treasure, Jan. 30th & 31st .** Early Bird Registration $60 until Nov.3rd then cost is $75. Students are $30. Reg. Deadline is Nov. 24th. Register w/ **QR** code or see Michelle Santiago for assistance.

# Events This Week at Spring Meadows

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| Sunday 11/16 | 9:30 AM | Sunday School *(all ages)* |
| | 10:30 AM | Worship Services |
| Monday 11/17 | 6:30 PM | Diaconate Meeting |
| Tuesday 11/18 | 9:30 AM | Moms & Tots *(0-5yrs.)* |
| | 6:15 PM | Session Meeting |
| Wednesday 11/19 | 10:00 AM | Women's Habakkuk Study |
| | 5:00 PM | M.S. & H.S. Youth Group |
| Thursday 11/20 | 6:00 PM | Women's Habakkuk Study |
| | 6:30 PM | Diaconate Training Week 6 |
| Friday 11/21 | 10:00 AM | Women's Habakkuk Study *(w/ Childcare)* |
| | 5:00 PM | Men's Fellowship Event (Offsite Location) |
| Saturday 11/22 | 8:00 AM | Men's Mini-Conference |

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. Our 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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| November | Birthdays | Anniversaries |
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| 1-Mil Y. | 18-Isaiah S. | 17-Keith & Gwennan T. |
| 1-Sandy G. | 19-Eric R. | |
| 5-Kathy W. | 21-Barb K, | 18-Sam & Bonnie T. |
| 6-Jessica W. | 21-Jane R. | |
| 7-Ani M. | 25-Hannah B. | 19-Jeff & Royce C. |
| 7-Rachael R. | 29-Lynn W. | |
| 11-Andy C. | 30-Keith T. | 24-Jerry & Patty L. |
| 11-Caroline R. | 30-Darlene T. | |
| 12-Scott J. | 30-Terri K. | 28-Mark & Janice L. |