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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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"[Love] stands under the sign of the cross. It is a readiness for service and sacrifice, for forgiveness and consideration, for help and sympathy, for lifting up the fallen and restoring the broken, in a fellowship which owes its very existence to the mercy of God and the sacrificial death of Christ.... [Love] stands under the sign of the [consummation]. This is the great truth of 1 Cor 13. For this reason love is the heavenly gift surpassing all others, the [more excellent way].... With love the power of the new age already breaks into the present form of the world.... [Love] is the only vital force which has a future in this [age] of death."
(Ethelbert Stauffer, *TDNT*, 1:51)

Order of Worship

May 10, 2026

Welcome and Announcements Elder Dan Phillips

Celebrating His Presence

Preparation for Worship

Prelude Worship Team

Call to Worship Elder Dave McGuire

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love Divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest:
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, never more Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

Invocation

Congregational Response of Faith The Apostles' Creed

Gospel Renewal

The Prayer of Confession and Repentance:
Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your Word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity. 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 Member Kade Leonard

Shepherding Elder's Prayer Ryan Roper

Greeting One Another with Peace in the Name of the Lord

Experiencing Renewal

Psalm 9

(Women Echo)

I will praise (*I will praise*)
You, O Lord (*You, O Lord*)
With all my heart,
With all my heart.

I will tell (*I will tell*)
of Your wonders (*of Your wonders*)
I'll be glad and exult in Thee.
I'll be glad and exult in Thee.

***Chorus**:* I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High,
I will sing praise to Your Name.
I will sing praise to Your Name, O Most High,
I will sing praise to Your Name.

*(**Repeat All / Repeat Chorus**)*

*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.*

Open Your Eyes

Open your eyes,
See the glory of the King;
Lift up your voice and His praises sing.

I love you Lord, I will proclaim
Alleluia, I bless Your name.

(Repeat)

Alleluia, I bless Your name!

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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 Look to the Shepherd

I look to the Shepherd; He meets all my needs;
Beside the still waters He faithfully leads,
Bringing peace to my soul, as His love makes me whole.

(Chorus)

And when in the valley of deepest despair,
I look to the Shepherd, His presence is there.
Bringing peace to my soul, as His love makes me whole.

(Chorus)

Chorus: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me,
Follow me all the days of my life.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me, all my life.

Deepening Our Commitment

Preaching of the Word: Pastor Christian Bland

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13
Title: The Most Excellent Way of Love
Series: Faith, Hope, & Love

I. Love is the Greatest Gift (vv. 1-3)

II. Love in Action (vv. 4-7)

III. Love Never Ends (vv. 8-13)

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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.)

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:	5-10-2026	5-17-2026
Greeters	Ron & Lynn Warren	Jim & Galina Hufstetler
Coffee Station	Erika Islas	Alex Kwasniewski
Communion	Bonnie Taylor	Minas Mkhitarian
Church Nursery	Amanda Ladefoged	Mati Knyaz

Nursery is available for children 0-5 years and our Cry Room is available in the back of the Sanctuary for those with children along with the 'Grades 3-5' Classroom with tv showing the Worship Service.

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

5-17-2026 Sunday School 9:30AM-10:15AM

Adults:
Series Reformed Worship
Title How to Get the Most Out of Our Liturgy
Teacher Pastor Christian Bland

Pre-K
Series God Keeps His Promises
Title God Calls Abraham
Teacher Eun-me Phillips

Grades (K-2)
Series Studying God's Word
Title Jesus Loved God's Word
Teacher Jessica Salinas

Grades (3-5)
Series Telling Others
Title God Freed Peter from Prison
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 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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David McGuire, RE
Ed Kelley, RE, Clerk
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Richard Salinas, RE
Rick Vetanovetz, RE
Ron Warren, RE
Ryan Roper, RE
Tim Posey, TE

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Alex Stepp
David Gonzales
Jackson Adams
Jeff Williams
Joe Schmid
Kevin Thomas
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Minas Mkhitarian
Nick Dudgeon
Walt Kwasniewski

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Christian Bland, Pastor
Chimaine Shadd, Mgr.

Announcements

- **Happy Mother's Day to All Moms,** biological, spiritual, adoptive, & nurturing figures alike. Praise God for your desire to honor Him with selfless love, prayers & patience.
- **PICNIC in the PARK** for Everyone is next Sunday, **May 17** after Service @ **Exploration Peak Park**. Chicken + Drinks will be provided. Please **RSVP** in the back & plan on bringing a Side & Dessert to share!
  - We need some help…if you have a truck and can drive over some tables, please let us know! Contact Chris and Kathy Wassell.
  - Bring your folding chair to ensure comfort and please note, there is a Splash Pad for kids, so bring their suits and towels. Looking forward to some picnic fun in the sunshine with our brothers and sisters in Christ. Invite your friends!
- **VBS 2026 Registration is Open! 'Faith Expedition' June 9-12** from **4:30PM-7:30PM** at the church. Open to our covenant children & visitors. Scan QR to register.

2026 **VBS** Registration *Google Form*

- **Ladies $10 Summer Books** are **here**! Pay Cash to Women's Council or use Zelle.
  - '**Women Who Risk'**- read on your own. Summer End Discussion> Date TBD.
  - '**Remember Your Joy'** will meet 7 consecutive Thursdays, 6PM at SMPC. **June 18 - July 30**. Each week is a unique lesson. Come once or come to all. Sign Up Sheet in the back. If day time study is desired, indicate that on sheet.

Events This Week at Spring Meadows

Sunday 5/10	9:30 AM	Sunday School *(for all ages)*
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Monday 5/11	6:30 PM	Diaconate Meeting
Tuesday 5/12	9:30 AM	Moms & Tots
Wednesday 5/13	5:00 PM	M.S. & H.S. Youth Group
Friday 5/15	6:30 PM	Calvin's Co-ed Book Study
Saturday 5/16	7:00 AM	Men's 'Reason for God' Discussion *(#11 & #12)*

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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May	Birthdays	Anniversaries
1-Elijah M.	17-Dan P.	1-Tim & Stephanie C.
3-Sabrina C.	19-Katie L.	7-Ryan & Annie R.
3-Ming X.	19-Ryan R.	8-John & Elize M.
3-Guy W.	19-Anya F.	11-John & Sherry D.
7-Jan G.	19-Stuart W.	12-Steve & Wendy L.
8-Cristian K.	23-Mark B.	15-Paul & Claire H.
10-Jim S.	24-Lily G.	15-Ed & Terri K.
14-Ruthclaire S.	29-Adam L.	26-Steve & Susan G.
15-Ed K.	29-Grayson A.	31-Michael & Christine C.
16-Nan Y.	30-Dave S.	
17-Roxy M.	31- Annie R.	