

Welcome to Manna Church! We are Glad You are Here!

What to Expect On a Typical Sunday

The worship experience at Manna Church lasts approximately 70-75 minutes. It begins with a time of worship and a brief period of announcements, followed by a biblical and practical message delivered by one of our pastors. Service concludes with another short time of worship and prayer.

Connection Card

If you're a first-time guest, we would love for you to fill out a connection card. No one is planning to call you or come by your house—we just want to thank you for joining us today and to let you know what is available to you here at Manna.

Free Gift for First-Time Guests

If it is your first time with us, we have a gift available for you in the lobby at the end of service. We simply want to give you a gift to thank you for being with us today!

Get the Church Center App

Scan the QR Code to download the Church Center App to get connected to all of our Small Groups, register for upcoming events, and more!



Small Groups

Manna Church is not a church with small groups; we are a small groups church. On Sundays, we gather corporately to be inspired by the presence and Word of God. However, friendships, discipleship, and growth primarily happen in the context of a small group. You can find a list of available Small Groups to join by going on our website, cos.manna.church, and clicking on the "Connect" tab.

Manna Kids

We strive to provide a clean and safe environment where children can experience and enjoy the love of Jesus. The Nursery/Preschool experience is available for kids 6 weeks through 5 years old, and the Elementary experience is for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade. We would love to have your child join us!

Manna Students

If you are in 6th to 12th grade, come join us for Manna Students on Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Manna Church Offices! We meet weekly during the small group cycle for games, worship, biblical teachings, and small groups! We hope you will join us!

Ways to Give

For a safe and secure way to give to Manna Church, scan the QR Code. Here, you can schedule a one-time gift or establish and manage a recurring gift through the Online Portal.



Pizza With the Pastor

Whether you're visiting for the first time or have been part of Manna Church for a while, Pizza with the Pastor is a fantastic way to get connected and learn more about the mission and vision of the church. Join us on the first Sunday of every month at 5:00 P.M. at the Manna Church Offices (1580 E. Cheyenne Mtn. Blvd) for an evening with our pastors and staff. You can register online or at the Info Center in the main lobby! Childcare is provided.

Growth Track

The Manna Church Growth Track is a series of small groups designed to facilitate your growth as a healthy, effective follower of Jesus Christ. Wherever you are in your journey, the Growth Track can equip you to fully experience your calling in God and your part in impacting your world. Sign up for NextStep by going online or registering at our Info Center Table in the Main Lobby.

FirstStep. In FirstStep, you will discover what a balanced, integrated, and healthy life of a disciple of Jesus looks like, specifically within the context of Manna Church. *Meets the first 4 Mondays of every month from 6:30p-8p. Scan the QR code to join.*



NextStep. NextStep is here for you to learn about Manna Church's Mission, Vision, and Values. You'll discover who we are, why we're here, where we're going, and how you can get connected while exploring God's unique purpose for your life.

Meets the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of the month in the Harrison High School Library.

LeaderStep. LeaderStep prepares you to lead at Manna Church in areas such as small groups or serve teams. Built on our 12 Operational Principles, LeaderStep fosters spiritual growth, authentic relationships, and Kingdom impact, helping you discover how God can use you to make a difference. (Must have completed NextStep).

Meets quarterly throughout the year. Check the Manna Church Colorado Springs website or ask anyone at our Info Center Table for dates and details.

Sermon Discussion Questions

Take the message deeper this week! We've created questions for your own personal devotional time and for rich conversation in your small group. Find them by scanning the QR code and clicking on "Sermon Notes."





The Good Shepherd

Psalm 23:1-6 (ESV) - The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. 3 He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Psalm 23:1 (ESV) - The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Isaiah 40:12 (ESV) - Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance?

Isaiah 45:12 (ESV) - I made the earth and created man on it; it was my hands that stretched out the heavens, and I commanded all their host.

Psalm 19:1 (ESV) - The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

God is infinite enough to _____, personal enough to _____.

He is _____ shepherd. He can be _____ shepherd. But He is not _____ shepherd.

John 10:11-15 (ESV) - I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

The quality of a _____ is determined by the quality of its _____.

John 10:10 (ESV) - The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

We don't follow Jesus because _____, we follow Jesus because _____.

Philippians 4:11-12 (ESV) - Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned, in whatever situation I am, to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.

Philippians 4:13 (ESV) - I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Notes:

Personal Reflection

The Good Shepherd

Who or what is currently influencing and directing the course of your life the most?

If someone examined your priorities, decisions, worries, and pursuits, would they conclude that Jesus is truly your Shepherd?

God's Greatness and Nearness

Do you tend to think of God as powerful but distant, or powerful and deeply personal?

How would your daily life change if you truly believed the Creator of the universe was personally involved in your circumstances?

Surrender and Trust

What areas of your life are hardest for you to surrender to God's leadership?

What fears or desires tempt you to direct your own life rather than follow the Shepherd's guidance?

Contentment

What circumstances are currently challenging your peace or contentment?

How is God inviting you to find your security in His presence rather than in changed circumstances?

The Presence of God

Do you spend more time seeking God's gifts or seeking God Himself?

How have you experienced God's presence sustaining you during difficult seasons?

Small Group Reflection

Why Psalm 23 Matters

Why do you think Psalm 23 has brought comfort to believers for thousands of years?

Which phrase from Psalm 23 has been especially meaningful in your life and why?

The Lord Is My Shepherd

What stands out to you about David saying, "The Lord is my shepherd" instead of simply "the Lord is a shepherd"?

How does this personal relationship with God differ from merely believing that God exists?

Following the Shepherd

What does it practically look like to live under the care and direction of the Good Shepherd?

How can we recognize when we are following other "shepherds" instead of Jesus?

Contentment in Every Season

David and Paul both experienced tremendous hardship yet spoke about contentment. What do you think they understood that many people miss?

How can believers cultivate contentment without denying the reality of pain and suffering?

The Most Important Question

The sermon stated that the most important question in life is whether we will surrender ownership of our lives to Jesus. Why is that decision so foundational?

What keeps people from fully trusting and following the Good Shepherd?

