

LORD & SAVIOR

FAITH OR DOUBT



Sunday, April 24, 2022

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CHURCH

Walk with God • Connect as Family • Love People in Jesus' Name

WELCOME GUESTS!

Thank you for joining us today. We'd love to get to know you and help you get connected to our community. If this is your first time with us either in person or virtually, if you are looking to take your next step of connection, or you are simply wanting to find out how to participate please [click here to fill out our Connect Card](#) and a staff member will be in touch!



Safe Families Sunday

Today during a portion of our service, we will highlight what God is doing through Safe Families to help keep children safe and families together. You'll have a chance to learn more about volunteering at an info table before and after service!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information Hub

www.southparkchurch.org/info

Not always sure where to find info about what's happening? We're making it easier for you with our information hub! You can find it online from your computer or phone. Visit the website above (it's easy to remember!) or connect to it from the link in our Instagram bio or "Learn More" button on our Facebook page.

Get Baptized this June

Sunday, June 26, 10 a.m. service

Our next baptism will take place on Sunday, June 26, at the 10:00 a.m. service. If you would like to be baptized, visit www.southparkchurch.org/info and click the baptism picture.

Thrive Spring Series: 3 Spiritual Practices

Thursdays, May 5-19, 7- 8:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The Spring Series: 3 Spiritual Practices will focus on 3 spiritual practices: confession and self-examination, simplicity, and gratitude. Hope you'll be able to join us! [Register here.](#)

Journey Adult Sunday School

Sundays, 9:10 a.m., Fellowship Hall & Zoom

Join Journey this Sunday, April 24, to consider the Transfiguration from the perspective of the three disciples who were there! The Transfiguration ties the Old and New Testaments together in a special way and confirms the Messiahship of our Savior. It also gives us an early glimpse of Christ's soon-to-be resurrected body as we will witness it at His Second Coming.

Journey class meets at 9:10 am, with the speaker starting promptly at 9:15 am. You can also participate in Journey using Zoom by visiting <http://www.zoom.us/join> and entering Meeting ID: 833 1146 0818 Password: 554103. Check out recordings of past Journey classes anytime on our website.

Spring Gathering: Caris Baby Shower

Tuesday, April 26, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Women (and their children) are invited to participate in the Spring Gathering: Caris Baby Shower on Tuesday, April 26! Refreshments will be provided. For details and to register, click the Baby Shower picture found at www.southparkchurch/info.



Vacation Bible School
July 11 - 14, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

In this 4-day series, kids will not only get curious about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics — but also about the God who created it all!

Our VBS program is for students going into Kindergarten through incoming 5th graders. 6th grade students will have the opportunity to be Jr leaders while our 7th- 12th grade can be activity leaders and small group student leaders.

Registration is open and spaces are limited so visit www.southparkchurch.org/info and click on the VBS image to register today! Any questions email hillary@southparkchurch.org.

PASTORAL SEARCH TEAM

As the pastoral search team has begun reviewing potential candidates' resumes and applications, please pray in the following specific ways. Pray that the team would have wisdom and peace in choosing candidates with whom to proceed and those to be declined. Pray that as the team interviews candidates, we would have insight and sensitivity in asking the best questions to determine their potential fit with South Park Church. Pray that as we talk with candidates and listen to their sermon samples, we would place the church's needs and desires before our own. Finally, pray that we would represent the church accurately and attractively to the candidates.

CARING FOR EACH OTHER

If you or someone in our church family are experiencing hardship and have a need for resources, financial help, or prayer, please reach out to Kristin Sorensen, Care Director. at kristin@southpark-church.org or give her a call at 847 825-5507 and press 125.

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

1 Corinthians 15:20

May the certainty of Christ's resurrection fill us with peace, joy, and hope!

Please pray for **Jimmy Rancich** who is hospitalized with a severe sinus infection. Please pray that the antibiotics clear the infection and that Jimmy's medical team be filled with wisdom and clarity as they guide his care. Pray for Jimmy to experience God as his rock and refuge especially during this time.

Please continue to pray for **Will Holm and Al Pasternak** who are both home recuperating from heart surgeries. Please pray for their increased strength, safety, endurance and pain management each day. And, please pray that they each experience the closeness and care of their Savior as they recover. If you would like to bring a meal to Will or Al, please email kristin@southparkchurch.org.

Pray continue to pray for our **Outreach Partners (Ted, Alya, and Dave)** as they continue to minister to Ukrainian refugees crossing the border to safety, as they bring loads of aid and relief supplies to the border, and as they visit those they ministered to who are now relocated in Poland. Please pray that God will bless their work and that the comfort and hope they offer will point Ukrainian refugees to Christ.

Please pray for the people of **Ukraine**, those that have fled and those that remain, to experience God's protection and comfort like never before. Pray that many will come to know the unshakeable hope found in Christ and His gospel and that this hope will bring courage to those feeling hopeless and afraid. And, finally, pray for peace in Ukraine.

Wanda Mejia will be undergoing radiation treatments for her rare, yet contained, cancer. Please pray that Wanda tolerates these well and that the treatments do their job of removing any remaining cancer cells.

Pray for **South Park Church** as we faithfully seek God's will for the next pastor of our church. Pray that God would begin preparing the hearts of the congregation for whomever He would lead to be the next Senior Pastor.

Continue to pray for: Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

SERMON NOTES

Faith or Doubt *John 20:24 - 31*

Introduction: Personal faith in Christ is neither easy nor blind.

One: Doubt vs. 24, 25

Two: Faith vs. 26 - 29

cf. John 20:19, 20

Three: Blessing vs. 30, 31

Conclusion: Faith in Christ as Lord and God brings the blessings of eternal life!

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What are the evidences of Christianity on which you base your faith?
2. In what ways have you struggled in your faith in Christ?
3. How has God encouraged you in your times of doubt?
4. How has your experience of eternal life now confirmed your faith in Christ?