



**Sunday, November 14, 2021**



**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!

## THIS MORNING

Prayer	8:30 a.m.
Journey Adult Sunday School	9:10 a.m.
Wonderland, ECHO, Ascent	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:00 a.m.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ***Women's Ministry Prayer and Worship Night*** *Thursday, November 18, 7 p.m., Sanctuary*

Join us (either in-person or virtually) for an evening of prayer and worship where we'll reflect on how God is and has been faithful throughout this past year and prepare our hearts to celebrate Thanksgiving. Prayer & Worship Night will be held on Thursday, November 18th from 7:00 - 8:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Hope you'll be able to participate!

## ***40: The Gospels with Joel Schoon Tanis*** *Saturday, November 20, 3 - 6 p.m.*

Joel Schoon-Tanis returns with his latest project exploring and reimagining 40 stories within the Gospels. All are invited to allow art, community, imagination, and wisdom to shape our conversations as Joel's work opens up new ways for all ages to see familiar stories and our place in them. Most of the original works will be on display with an artist talk and Q&A at 4 p.m.

## ***A Night of Thanksgiving (Thanksgiving Eve)*** *Wednesday, November 24, 7 p.m., Sanctuary*

*"Surely, the LORD has done great things"* - Joel 2:21b  
Let us come together as a church family to hear and speak gratitude for who God is and what he has done. Join us as we worship through thankfulness and fellowship. This year we will be providing pie to go!

### ***3rd Quarter Winter Wingding***

*Friday, December 3, 7 - 9 p.m., MPR*

Join your 3rd Quarter friends for an evening of Christmas-y fun including games, a photo booth, and more! WEAR your ugly Christmas sweater and BRING a Christmas cookie/bar to share plus a "white elephant" for a gift exchange. This will be the perfect way to welcome the Christmas season with friends.

### ***Women's Blessing Bags Take & Bake***

*Saturday, December 4, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Cafe*

Have you ever driven past someone in need and wondered what you could do to help? We will be putting together Blessing Bags filled with basic toiletries, snacks and items to keep warm. If you'd like to join and/or donate supplies email Libby Cheser at [cher4.lc@gmail.com](mailto:cher4.lc@gmail.com)

### ***Always We Begin Again Podcast***

*available on PodBean & Spotify*

We invite you to listen to weekly episodes of this podcast hosted by Adam Nelson. This formational podcast is for those who want to practice and discern ways to deepen and broaden our spiritual journey through guided practices, enlivening conversations, and engaging with ancient and modern wisdom.

[Click here to listen on PodBean.](#)

[Click here to listen on Spotify.](#)

## **Sunday Morning Prayer**

*Sundays, 8:30 a.m., Zoom & Fellowship Hall*

Join us in person or online as we praise God and seek His presence and favor. Visit [www.zoom.us/join](http://www.zoom.us/join) and use Meeting: 874 0226 6783, Password: 807766

## **Journey Adult Sunday School Hybrid!**

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

John Barcanic will be leading a new series called "Refresh, Renew, and Restore: Caring for Your Soul in Tough Times." Do you remember a time when you were more passionate about life and faith than you are now? Are you rushed, weary, or irritable? Do you feel spiritually dry, numb, or disconnected? Join Journey in November to discover how the Gospel meets the deepest needs of our souls. John Barcanic is a former pastor at SPC and now an Outreach partner with Intersekt.

Print outs of the participant guide will be provided for those attending in person. If you will be participating from home, [click here to download the week two participant guide.](#)

Journey starts at 9:10 am in Fellowship Hall following the prayer meeting. Attend in person or participate in Journey using Zoom. Visit [www.zoom.us/join](http://www.zoom.us/join) and use Meeting ID: 833 1146 0818 and password 554103. Check out recordings of past Journey classes anytime [here on our website.](#)

## WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

*Week ending October 31, 2021*

YTD 2021	\$	852,167
YTD BUDGET	\$	1,211,692
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$	(359,525)

## 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. Kristin can be reached via email at [kristin@southparkchurch.org](mailto:kristin@southparkchurch.org) or give her a call at 847 825-5507 and press 125

## PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

*Surely he has done great things! Do not be afraid, land of Judah; be glad and rejoice. Surely the Lord has done great things!*  
Joel 2:20b-21

Pray that, through our study of the book of Joel, we have learned that confession and repentance are vital components of our daily walk with Christ, that God's grace in restoration and renewal is instrumental in our relationship with Him, and that hope and anticipation are foundational in the Christian life. Please pray for God's direction in our church and your role in it.

Pray for **South Park Church** as we faithfully seek God's will for the next pastor of our church. Pray that the Search Team will coalesce into a unified group working together to seek the person God desires to be the next Senior Pastor. Pray that God would give wisdom in developing guidelines for the search and in determining appropriate sources for soliciting potential candidates. Pray also that God would begin preparing the hearts of the congregation for whomever He would lead to be the next Senior Pastor.

Pray for **Greg Schimmel** who has learned the cancer drug that has been working to keep the cancer at bay is no longer a viable option as the cancer growth has continued. Please storm the throne of grace with confidence on behalf of our dear brother asking that God make Himself more real and present to Greg, Judy, and their family now more than ever. Pray that the transfusions Greg will likely continue to receive will serve the purpose of increasing his energy allowing Greg to eat and interact with others in the ways he enjoys. Pray that Greg and Judy will feel strengthened, helped and upheld by the righteous right hand of God and that fear and dismay will be held at bay.

Pray for our **local and national government leaders and judicial system** as they have many complicated issues before them. Please pray that they seek God's wisdom, seek common ground, seek justice, and seek to unify our nation. And, please pray for those being persecuted for their faith around the world. Let's pray that each of us bring the hope of Jesus to our areas of influence.

*Continue to pray for:* Bob Janke, Art Engle (Scott's dad), Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

## SERMON NOTES

### PATIENTLY WAITING ON GOD AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE FUTURE

1. God often asks us to patiently wait before the next season of work.

2. While we wait, we should prepare for the day the God chooses to work.

a. Settling our hearts to wait and to hope  
Psalm 130:5-7

b. Preparing ourselves for the time that God is ready to work  
Joshua 24:14-15

c. Remembering God's priority- reaching the nations for Christ  
Revelation 7:9-10



## DIGGING DEEPER

1. What did today's service reveal to you about yourself?
2. How does today's service inform your relationship with God?
3. How do you think God wants you to respond to today's service?