



Sunday, April 2, 2023

SOUTH  PARK
CHURCH

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

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us!
We'd love to get to know you and help you get connected to our community.

If this is your first time with us, if you are looking to take your next step of connection, or you are simply wanting to find out more about South Park Church, we invite you to fill out an online connect card and a staff member will be in touch!

www.southparkchurch.org/connect

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The banner features the text "Info Hub" in a large, light green font, with a white cross icon to the right. Below this, the URL "www.southparkchurch.org/info" is displayed. At the bottom left, there are icons for Instagram and Facebook, both with the handle "@southparkchurch". A blue button with a white arrow and the text "Learn more" is positioned at the bottom right.

We've made it easy for you to find info about what's happening at South Park Church! Visit the info hub!

www.southparkchurch.org/info

Join us for Easter

at South Park Church!

www.southparkchurch.org/easter

Sunday, April 9

9 & 11 am

Wonderland for ages
birth - kindergarten at
the 9 am service.

**GOOD FRIDAY
SERVICE**

April 7 at 7 pm

**STATIONS OF
THE CROSS**

for children grades 1 -5

April 7 at 7 pm

EGG HUNT

April 8 at 10 am



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Easter Egg Donations



**DROP OFF
BY APRIL 5TH**

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Contribute towards our South Park Church Easter Egg Hunt this year by filling up some plastic eggs with store-bought treats (no peanut based candy, please!) Drop off your Easter eggs in the yellow bin inside the main doors of South Park Church by Wednesday, April 5th! If you have any questions, please email spckids@southparkchurch.org.

April Events



HYMN SING

April 14, 2 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Easter Hallelujah--please join us for this Discovery favorite led by Mary Gemmel

AN AFTERNOON OF GAMES

April 21, 2 p.m., Fellowship Hall



Seniors, you are invited to our Discovery Ministry April events!

Thrive Women's Ministry



Games or Gathering

Friday, April 14th | 6:30 - 8:15PM

Park Ridge Park District
O'Connor Community Building (Room A)
733 N. Prospect Ave.
Park Ridge, IL 60068

Invite co-workers, family members, friends, and neighbors to this outreach event. For more details, check out our SPC Info Hub!

Invite co-workers, family members, friends, and/or neighbors to this outreach event where we'll play board games and/or gather in community to get to know each other better as well as to hear a story from one woman about her journey of faith. Please register at www.southparkchurch.org/info.



Friday, April 21 from 6:30 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

Maximizing Playtime with Your Child

presented by  Safe Families for Children

visit www.southparkchurch.org/info to register

Learn to play with your child in ways that enhance their leadership, creativity and sense of initiative. Help strengthen their verbal skills and ability to focus. Enjoy having fun with your child! Click this image on the info hub at www.southparkchurch.org/info to learn more!



It's still winter outside but we're already planning for summer! VBS planning is underway...join the volunteer team! [Click here to fill out the volunteer form.](http://www.southparkchurch.org/info)



Save the Date! High School South Park Church students are invited to serve this summer again at Camp Barnabas, a summer camp that provides an amazing camp experience and encounters with God for disabled individuals and their families. **Registration now open!**

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

These prayer requests represent just one way in which we pray as a church body and just some of the people we are lifting in prayer. For additional opportunities to pray, share, and celebrate answered prayer, please attend Sunday Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9am in Fellowship Hall and over Zoom (email info@southparkchurch.org for the Zoom link). And please email kristin@southparkchurch.org if you have a prayer request you'd like shared with the confidential Prayer Chain.

Please pray for **those suffering following the recent tragedy** at the private Christian school in Nashville. Pray that those affected will be comforted in the way that only Christ can. Pray for those suffering in our country and around the world from all forms of violence, injustice in the many forms it takes, natural disasters, and so much else. Pray that Christ would be made known in the midst of heartbreak and that suffering would cease through the powerful name of Jesus and the spirit-led actions of believers.

Please continue to pray for **Nick Powell** to remain in normal heart rhythm and to daily increase in strength and endurance so that he can have the planned ablation on April 11th. Pray for Nick and Erin to be filled with God's peace and closeness.

Please pray for our **Outreach Partners in Ukraine** as they continue to faithfully serve the people of Ukraine by feeding several hundred each month, leading a village bible study, delivering firewood and other supplies to poor villages, and many other tasks. Please pray for their safety and endurance, for wisdom as they seek God's will daily for their next steps, and for peace in Ukraine.

Continue to pray for: Doug Volden, the Genson family, Catherine Hankins, Greg Van Calbergh, Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

SERMON NOTES

1. Jonah's Anger (vs. 1-3)

- a. Bitterness
- b. Idolatry
- c. Selective use of Scripture

2. God's Object Lesson (vs. 4-11)

- a. Redefining beauty and worth
- b. Compassion for the lost
- c. Imitating Jesus' heart

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Are there any people or situations in your life you're currently working on forgiving? Do you still get those lingering thoughts/feelings of bitterness? How do you deal with them?
2. What are the things in your life that are most likely to replace Jesus on the throne of your heart? (i.e. what are your most tempting idols?)
3. Are there any people in your life (or in this world) that you struggle to love like Jesus does? When you encounter them...what kind of 'self talk' might be helpful in that struggle?
4. Is there anyone in particular the Holy Spirit is pointing out to you...someone you know He wants you to do a 'better job' of loving? If so, ask someone to hold you accountable in that relationship.