



EMBRACE  
THE  
AWKWARD

LET'S TALK ABOUT...

MONEY

SOUTH  PARK  
CHURCH

we're so glad you're here

# WELCOME

*Thank you for joining us! We'd love to get to know you  
& 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, scan the QR code to fill out our connect card!



# Info Hub



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## WALK, CONNECT, LOVE

South Park Church exists to help people **walk** with God, **connect** as family & **love** people in Jesus name.

## VISION

WHAT DO WE HOPE TO ACHIEVE IN THE FUTURE?

### WE ARE ONE...

- Being **ONE with God** means living in the awareness of the Holy Spirit's presence & promptings in our lives. There are many competing voices/influences in our world today - friends, family, the culture, media, the enemy, our desires, etc. Being ONE with God, means we recognize & obey His voice above all the others.
- Being **ONE Body** is about creating loving relationships within the church. God created the Body of Christ to be a diverse group of believers - from every nation, tribe, language and people. It is important to maintain our unity IN that diversity as a part of our witness to this world. The key to that unity comes when we make our Identity as God's children our most important identity.
- Being **ONE Kingdom** is about creating loving relationships outside of the church... relationships with other kingdom minded churches/ministries. We recognize that South Park Church is one small part of the global Christian Church and we desire to serve the Kingdom in partnership with those who share our belief in Jesus Christ.

## CORE VALUES

WHAT ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS THAT DRIVE OUR BEHAVIOR & MINISTRY?

### S.A.L.T.

- **STAY CONNECTED TO GOD** - We don't want to serve out of our own power or for our own purposes; we want to serve out of the fullness of life and power that comes from God (*Ephesians 3:19*). Staying connected to God is how we learn to yield our will to His.
- **ACCEPT THAT ALL PEOPLE ARE OF UNSURPASSABLE WORTH TO GOD** - Scripture teaches us that Christ died for us while we were still sinners (*Romans 5:8*). Therefore that is the example of love we will follow. We will love and welcome people who are sinners... just like us.
- **LIFT YOUR ENEMIES UP IN PRAYER** - We don't want to respond to the sin & hate of this world with more sin and hate. We want to respond the way Jesus taught us to in His Sermon on the Mount - by lifting our enemies up in prayer (*Matthew 5:44*)
- **TAKE STEWARDSHIP SERIOUSLY** - We want to use all that we are and all that we've been given to give glory to God and grow His Kingdom (*Matthew 25:14-30*).



**MAY 26** *Memorial Day*

All ages welcome in the main services at 9 & 11 am.  
WONDERLAND (0-KDG) open during the 9am service.



**MOVE-UP** *Sunday*

*June 2, 2024*



2024-2025

**REGISTRATION**

Please register your child today!

SCAN the QR code or

TEXT "Register" to 844-458-2096



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## 2024 IREF GOLF OUTING

[irefusa.org/golf](http://irefusa.org/golf)

Saturday, August 10 at 11 am  
Bonnie Brook Golf Course (Waukegan, IL)  
Scramble Style Tournament  
**NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!**



REGISTER FOR THE NEXT  
**BAPTISM**

Sunday, June 9  
9 & 11 a.m.

[www.southparkchurch.org/baptism](http://www.southparkchurch.org/baptism)

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# 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 an additional opportunity to pray, share, and celebrate answered prayer, please attend Sunday Morning Prayer each **Sunday at 8:15am** in Fellowship Hall [and over Zoom](#). And please email [kristin@southparkchurch.org](mailto:kristin@southparkchurch.org) if you have a prayer request you'd like shared with the confidential Prayer Chain.*

Please pray for strength, joy, and blessing over our high school and college graduates. Pray that the Lord will grant them wisdom and fill their hearts with courage and purpose as they seek His plan for their next steps.

Please pray that the Lord's will be done as we search for the Executive Pastor. Please pray for the Lord's wisdom and discernment as we move forward in the process.

Please pray for God's intervention in the Middle East and Ukraine, for an end to violence, protection for the innocent, and comfort for the grieving. Pray for leaders to prioritize dialogue and empathy, leading to sustainable peace, and for people worldwide to come to know Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Continue to pray for: Greg VanCalbergh, Rich Schreiber, Catherine Hankins, Dawn Phillips, and our Outreach Partners

## PRAYING FOR YOU

Want to share a prayer request or praise of how you've seen God work? You can text your prayer request to 844.458.2096 and you'll be prayed for!

## Embrace the Awkward *Ecclesiastes & Proverbs*

1. Let's Talk about money:
  - a. Week 1 - Stewardship
  - b. Week 2 - Contentment
  - c. Week 3 - \_\_\_\_\_
2. Sowing & Reaping
  - a. We \_\_\_\_\_ what we sow (Prov. 22:8a)
  - b. We always reap in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Eccl. 3:1-2)
  - c. We always reap \_\_\_\_\_ than we sow  
(Mt. 4:20)
  - d. We reap \_\_\_\_\_ to what we sow  
(Prov. 11:24)
  - e. I'm not the \_\_\_\_\_ sower
  - f. The time to start \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

# DIGGING DEEPER

1. When you think about the way you're currently sowing your money, time and attention...what can you realistically expect to reap?

2. What concerns/areas of your life are you praying about, but don't see God moving in yet?

3. What blessings & struggles are you currently reaping from past generations? Is there a way you can pass on the blessings and stop sowing the struggles?

4. What are your future plans to use God's resources...or invest in the kingdom? What's keeping you from starting those things now?