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

Welcome!

SOUTH  PARK
CHURCH

MISSION

WHAT'S OUR PURPOSE?

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. 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. It is important to maintain our unity IN 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 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?

- **STAY CONNECTED TO GOD** - 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*).

This week

+Info Hub

www.southparkchurch.org/info



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
PRAYER 9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM FAM MIN TRAINING 11:30 AM <i>SUMMIT AT 6 PM</i>	CELEBRATE RECOVERY & THE LANDING 7 PM	CBS 9:15 AM	<i>JAM AT</i> 6:30 PM	THRIVE CRAZY LOVE 9:30 AM & 7 PM	DISCOVERY BINGO AT 1 PM LIVING WITH INTENTION 6:30-8:30 PM	IRON MEN 7:00 AM



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FAM MIN

ANNUAL LEADER TRAINING

11:30 AM
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Fam Min's annual Leader Safety Training is today following the service. This training is for adult leaders AND student leaders who serve in the various Fam Min environments (Wonderland, ECHO, BaseCamp, Ascent, Summit, Jam, First Wednesdays, Buddies).

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, September 24

Multi-Purpose Room, 11:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited to the fall meeting and members will have the privilege of voting in new members and new leadership! Visit www.southparkchurch.org/candidates for info about the candidates.



DISCOVERY
SEPTEMBER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 8 AT 1 PM: HYMN SING
JOIN US FOR THIS DISCOVERY FAVORITE LED BY MARY GEMMEL

SEPTEMBER 15 AT 12 PM: POTLUCK
PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE MAIN DISH, VEGETABLE, SALAD, SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE.
RSVP TO MARGARET AT 847-298-9535 TO LET HER KNOW WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING.

SEPTEMBER 22 AT 1 PM: BINGO
JOIN US FOR THIS DISCOVERY FAVORITE LED BY GLORIA AND BE READY TO SHOUT, "BINGO!"

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OR CALL 847-825-5507 X125

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Discovery Seniors, make plans to join us Friday afternoons. For more information, call Kristin at 847-825-5507 x125 or email kristin@southparkchurch.org



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GCGB Men's
Sep 28 - Oct 1, 2023



GCGB Women's
Oct 5 - Oct 8, 2023

***The focus of the Great Banquet is to know Jesus as Lord and Savior
and to make Him known***

The Great Banquet is a 72-hour experience - for three days, guests experience God's Agape Love and Grace in a profound, personal way

Interested in attending the Great Banquet Retreat at South Park Church?
All are welcome! Email us and we'll connect you with a sponsor.

greaterchicagob@gmail.com

<https://www.gcgb.org>

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at Winnetka Bible Church, 555 Birch St, Winnetka, IL

The Mission of *Surrendering The Secret* is to see every woman and man who has experienced the heartbreak of abortion to be set free, equipped, and activated for the cause of Christ and the Sanctity of all human life. This is an 8-session video-supported and interactive group Bible Study for women who seek healing from the shame and guilt of abortion. If interested, please join us for a 1-hour Orientation Gathering at Winnetka Bible Church in-person on Thursday, Sept. 14 at 10am, 2pm, or 7pm or virtually on Friday, Sept. 15 at 2pm or 7pm. Contacting sts@wbc.org Confidentiality will be upheld.

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 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 join our church in covering the Executive Pastoral search process in prayer every day at 3:56pm. Thank the Lord for the connections that have been made and for the applications received so far. Pray that candidates will hear the Lord's calling to pursue this opportunity and that even more will apply. Pray wisdom, discernment, and energy to fill the search team as they review applications, conduct interviews, and assess the candidates in the limited time they have. Pray that ultimately God will be honored and that His will will be done.

Continue to pray for: Ramiro Flores, Rich Schreiber, Catherine Hankins, Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky, and our Outreach Partners in Ukraine



Each Sunday morning you are invited to join in-person or on-line for a time of group prayer prior to the worship service. Come try it out!

[Click here for the link to the zoom meeting.](#)

Meeting ID: 874 0226 6783 Password: 807766

FASTING AND FEASTING

MATTHEW 6: 16-18

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What do you think or feel when you hear the word “fasting”? Is your response positive or negative?
2. Have you ever fasted in the past? What was that experience like for you? If you haven’t fasted in the past, why is that?
3. Read Isaiah 58. What type of fasting does God want from his people?
4. Fasting has the benefit of interrupting things that at times control us. Read 1 Corinthians 6:12. Taking a break from even what appear to be good things can be beneficial. What are some other things (media, hobbies, etc.) you could consider fasting from?
5. When we choose to fast in a God pleasing manner we are feeding our soul. Take some time to prayerfully seek direction on where God might call you to fast? How can you participate in fasting this week?