

Sunday, September 26, 2021



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

Senior Pastor Profile Survey Due TODAY, September 26

The Pastoral Profile Team is seeking input from you! Emails with a link to a survey were sent out on September 12. This survey is intended for individuals currently attending South Park Church. Please fill out the survey once (per person) by September 26 and do not share the link outside of your household. The Pastoral Profile Team will take your input very seriously in developing the profile we send to the elders for review. If you need the link again, please email info@southparkchurch.org.

3rd Quarter S'mores and More...Welcome Fall! Friday, October 1, 6 - 8:30 p.m., Parking Lot

Join us on Friday, October 1st at 6pm, as 3rd Quarter welcomes fall. We'll roast s'mores and hot dogs. We'll enjoy a guitar-led sing-along, hot apple cider, apple pie, games, pumpkin art, and more. No fee to attend. Just sign up here and prepare for an evening of fall fun.

Sunday Morning Prayer Hybrid! Sundays, 8:30 a.m. Zoom & Fellowship Hall

Join us in person or online as we praise God and seek His presence and favor.

Join Zoom Meeting: 874 0226 6783, Password: 807766 or click the link below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87402266783?pwd=QUI 0alZyVkwzNG1PYnptR1VmVWZCQT09

Journey Adult Sunday School - NEW TIME Sundays, 9:10 a.m. Zoom & Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, three Safe Families hosts will share their personal stories at Journey. Be inspired by hearing how "A Circle of Support" surrounded them during their hostings. Be challenged by how big prayers and small acts of kindness can make a difference in the lives of many. Invite your friends to join you in Fellowship Hall at 9:10 am on October 3rd.

You can also participate in Journey using Zoom. Visit www.zoom.us/join and use Meeting ID: 833 1146 0818 and password 554103. The Safe Families presentation will be recorded and posted to SPC's website for later viewing.

World Relief Welcome Kit

Thank you to all who already have signed up to donate items for our World Relief Refugee Welcome Kit. The sign up board will be available outside the sanctuary for those who would like to participate in welcoming a refugee family to Chicago by donating needed items. Donations can be dropped off on Sunday mornings or during office hours Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please drop off items by October 17. For questions or more information email Renie at renieproctor@gmail.com.

Family Dedication

Class - Sunday, October 10 from 3 - 5 p.m. Celebration - Sunday, November 14,10 a.m. service

Family Dedication is a time when parents publicly express their commitment to raise their child in a home that honors Christ. Dedication isn't about ONE DAY but rather a choice to dedicate your lives, as parents, to sharing and modeling the Truth of the Bible and the love of Christ. It's about making a commitment to raise your children in an environment that leads their hearts to God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Join us for our Fall Family Dedication class taking place on October 10 from 3:00-5:00p (childcare provided for FREE). Our Family Dedication service will take place November 14 during the 10:00a service. Click here to register!

IREF Golf Outing

Saturday, October 9, Bonnie Brook Golf Course

You are cordially invited to a beautiful day of golf, silent auction, followed by dinner and an IREF ministry update! Your participation is a fun opportunity to raise funding, but to also introduce your friends and family members to the ministry we have so faithfully supported through the years. Foursomes and sponsorships opportunities are also available. For more information on sponsorship opportunities and foursomes, please call April at 847-533-5487 or email GolfOuting@irefusa.org.

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 or give her a call at 847-825-5507 and press 125 to leave her a message.

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Week ending September 12, 2021

YTD 2021	\$ 742,085
YTD BUDGET	\$ 1,018,923
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$ (276,838)

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Psalm 139:7-12

We serve a God who is present everywhere. Pray that this fact would motivate us to flee to Him with our lives rather than flee from Him in sin.

Pray for South Park Church as we faithfully seek God's will for the next pastor of our church. Please pray that we will each have patience and grace in the process and that we will answer God's call to serve in the meantime.

Pray for displaced people who are seeking safety for themselves and their families in the southwest border of the United States, Afghanistan and other places around the world. Pray that these image-bearers would experience the presence of their creator. Pray that God would supply world leaders with great wisdom and compassion to determine a humane plan that would bring resolution to this crisis.

Continue to pray for:

Pray for our healthcare professionals and first responders who continue to care for the sick and respond to crises. Please pray they would be protected from illness, injury and burnout as they serve and that they would be richly blessed for the blessing they are to our communities.

Pray for our students of all ages, teachers, and school administrators who have returned to in-person learning. Please pray that the Good Shepherd would guide and protect them as they learn, teach and play. Please pray that they will remain healthy and grow deeper in their faith each day.

Greg Schimmel -- Please pray that the current oral medication Greg is on will get the cancer under control so the tumors will stop growing and that the upcoming scans will show evidence of that. Please pray that Greg's persistent and exhausting cough will reduce. Please pray that Greg and Judy find joy and something to be grateful for each day. And, please pray that God proves to be their rock and salvation, in whom they will not be shaken.

Kathy Palansky-- Please pray that the Lord will surround Kathy with His deep love for her. And, pray that Kathy would experience His presence and peace.

Dawn Phillips— Dawn has requested prayer for physical strength and endurance as well as for emotional strength. Please pray for Bill as he manages Dawn's care needs as well as for God's comfort and endurance for Bill, Michael and Gregory. What a joy it has been to see the Phillips' family in church these past Sundays!

SERMON NOTES

God is Good, All the Time!

Psalm 119:65 - 72

Introduction: God himself is the ultimate good!

One: The Goodness of His nature vs. 68

Two: The Goodness of His works

vs. 65, 67, 68, 71

Three: The Goodness of His word

vs. 65, 66, 69, 70, 72

cf. 1 Peter 2:20 - 23

Conclusion: God's goodness should be contagious for Christians!

DIGGING DEEPER

1. How can all of God's attributes be considered good?
2. Why do people generally think of anything painful as bad?
3. In what specific ways have you seen God manifest His goodness in your life?
4. If God's word really is so good for us, why do we so often neglect it?
5. In what ways can you grow in manifesting God's goodness to others?