



CHRIST

OVER ALL



THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

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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We've made it easy for you to find out about all that's happening at South Park Church. Visit www.southparkchurch.org. You can also find it by clicking the link in our Instagram bio or the "learn more" button on our Facebook Page.

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*).


SOUTH PARK

STORY

masters VBS 2024

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

www.southparkchurch.org/vbs



JUNE 24-27, 2024



Family 
dedication

SUNDAY
April 7, 2024
1:00-2:30PM

*Celebration will be during the 9am service
on April 21st, 2024*

Join Us for our
Family Dedication Class

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YOUTH
Current 8th-12th graders

SUMMER SERVICE TRIP

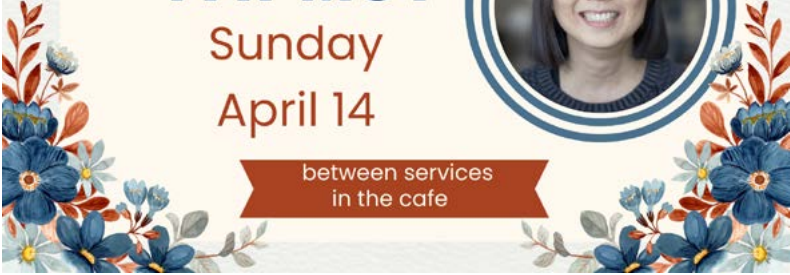
JULY 7-13, 2024

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Reception for
PAT MOY
 Sunday
 April 14



between services
 in the cafe



hospita**lity**
 Christ Church Oak Brook
**20TH CELEBRATION EVENT
 AND FOUNDER SOCIAL**
 heals



DAVE ANDERSON
 FOUNDER



CONCERT WITH
 COCHREN & CO.

Thursday, April 25, 2024
 Founder Social
 5:00 PM
 Celebration Event
 7:00 PM




Safe Families
 for Children

20
 YEARS




www.gcgb.org

*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?

All are welcome! Email greaterchicagogb@gmail.com and
 we'll connect you with a sponsor

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 if you have a prayer request you'd like shared with the confidential Prayer Chain.*

Please pray that the Lord's will be done as we search for the Executive Pastor. We are thankful that we've continued to have some solid candidates for this position. Please pray for the Lord's wisdom and discernment as we move forward in the process. We covet your prayers.

Please continue to pray for the friends and family of Kathy Palansky as they mourn her loss and prepare to celebrate her life on **Saturday, April 13th at 1pm for visitation and 2pm for the celebration of life.**

Please pray that God would be honored and glorified as we partner with World Relief to come alongside our fellow image-bearers through the Neighbor Project. Pray that, as we do, we will joyfully clothe ourselves in tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, and the love which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And, pray that we, as individuals and as a church, would be blessed as we share His blessing and extend His goodness to the families we serve.

Please pray for God to mightily intervene in the Middle East and in Ukraine. Please pray that our sovereign God, for whom nothing is impossible, will bring an end to the violence, will protect the innocent, and will comfort the grieving. Pray that those in positions of power will choose dialogue and empathy over discord so that an end to war can be reached and so that plans for sustainable peace can be created. And, pray that people in the Middle East, Ukraine, and around the world would come to know Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

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

SERMONNOTES

Colossians 4:2-6

1. Devotion to Prayer (vs. 2)

- a. Having an alert mind
- b. Having a thankful heart

2. Paul's Prayer Requests (vs. 3-4)

- a. More opportunities
- b. Clarity

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What is your “default state of mind?”

What do you think influenced that way of thinking?

2. What are the things that help you maintain an alertness of mind... to live

in the mindfulness of both the spiritual and physical worlds?

3. What problems and trials in your life

would be most difficult to see as

“opportunities” for the Gospel?

4. What are the most common distractions

you see believers add to the

message of salvation through Christ?

What distractions are you most

tempted to add when you share Jesus with

others?