

# June 18, 2023

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## 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).



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



Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend an open share group where we will process this series in a safe environment. Open share groups will take place following the congregational meeting today and after the service the following Sundays throughout the series.



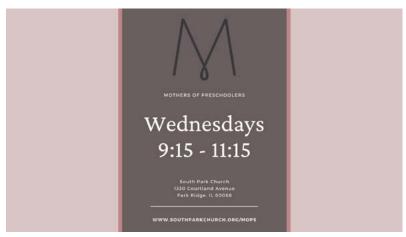
We have our mandatory meeting for ALL VBS volunteers (students and adults) on Saturday, June 24 from 12:00- 1:30p (Lunch will be served). If you have a conflict, please email hillary@southpark-church.org to find another time to get the information you need to serve. If you have not given Hillary your t-shirt size, please fill out this short form HERE.



Did you know we have playlists on Spotify? Scan the QR code to subscribe to our playlist of songs we've sung here in service!



MOPPET childcare workers are needed for Wednesday mornings starting in September. For more information, email Taryn at <a href="mailto:tarynsoske@gmail.com">tarynsoske@gmail.com</a>



MOPS encourages and equips moms to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus, and in partnership with the local church. Meetings are every other Wednesday from September through May from 9:15-11:15 at South Park Church. Childcare is included. For more info and to register, click on the image or visit <a href="www.southparkchurch.org/info">www.southparkchurch.org/info</a>.



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

Click here for the link to the zoom meeting.

Meeting ID: 874 0226 6783 Password: 807766



Join us this fall for CBS and this year's study of Ruth, Samuel & Ephesians. Visit our website at <u>parkridge</u>. <u>cbsclass.org</u> for more information.



Join us for an unforgettable experience of golf and fellowship. No experiene necessary! If you are new to the event, we can find you a team. Contact Tim Pappageorge at <a href="mailto:tim.pappageorge@gmail.com">tim.pappageorge@gmail.com</a>.



Footsteps for Families

We are excited to invite you out for a fun-filled day at our Footsteps for Family event! Whether you run, walk, or stroll, you are guaranteed an amazing day complete with music, food, bounce house, face painting, medals for the 5K participants, & more! Can't make it in-person, choose the virtual option. Entry fee is \$35.00. Click Here To Register

#### 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 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@south-parkshurch org for the Zoom link). And please parkchurch.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.

Praise God for how we've seen Him at work in our congregation lately--for healing from de-bilitating health conditions, for cancers that are stable with no growth, for breakthroughs in family relationships, for great steps of progress for those suffering with mental health illnesses, for many who are ready to take next steps in their faith journeys. Praise the Lord for His power at work among us.

Continue to pray for: Doug Volden, our Out-reach Partners in Ukraine, the Genson family, Catherine Hankins, Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

#### 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 email Kristin, Director of Care and Connections at kristin@southparkchurch.org or call 847 825- $5507 \times 125$ 

## **SERMON NOTES**

## The Commitment Choice Matthew 5:1-12

Meekness/Humility is	
<b>M</b> - Making Jesus Job	of my life 22:21, Eph. 2:10 & Mt. 16:24
E - Establish God's Word _	of my life 2 Timothy 3:16
	tin my life 7, Phil 2:13 & Galatians 2:3-4
<b>K</b> - Keeping Jesus	of my life Heb. 12:1-3

Consciously choose to commit all our life and will to Christ's care and control.

### **DIGGING DEEPER**

- 1. How does it make you feel, knowing that trying to controlall the people, places and things in your life is no longer your burden to bear?
- 2. What does this verse tell you about God's character...and what areas of your life do you need rest right now?, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. (Mt. 5:28)
- 3. What are you still having difficulty letting go of? What is stopping you from turning these things over to God?
- 4. What do you need from your community (small group/church family) to help you let go of those struggles?