



LIFE'S HEALING  
*CHOICES*



**July 2, 2023**



# 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*).

DISCOVERY

# TELLS THE TRUTH

Learn fascinating facts  
about your Discovery friends  
& South Park Church Staff

WEDNESDAY

JULY 19

12 PM.

SOUTH PARK CHURCH  
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

*RSVP at the  
welcome center  
7/9 or 7/16*



Join your Discovery friends for a mid-summer picnic! We'll enjoy traditional picnic fare and learn some fascinating and little-known facts about each other. Prepare to be surprised, to get to know each other better, and to enjoy a delicious meal indoors. We are collecting a \$5 fee to cover the cost of the picnic. Email [Kristin@southparkchurch.org](mailto:Kristin@southparkchurch.org) to RSVP.

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**OPEN SHARE GROUPS**  
following the congregational meeting

Men - RM 116	Women - RM 120
Teen Boys - RM 318	Teen Girls - RM 320

A collage of four images: a person in a red shirt looking out at a sunset over water; hands holding a green book; a person in a white shirt in a field of tall grass; and a person in a blue shirt looking out a window. Below the collage is a white box with the text 'LIFE'S HEALING CHOICES'. To the right of the collage is a green box with the text 'OPEN SHARE GROUPS following the congregational meeting' and a table listing fees for Men, Women, Teen Boys, and Teen Girls.

Process this series in a safe environment. Open share groups take place following service every Sunday throughout the series.



# Sunday Morning Prayer

Each Sunday at 9 a.m.

Fellowship Hall & Zoom

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! Want to join online?

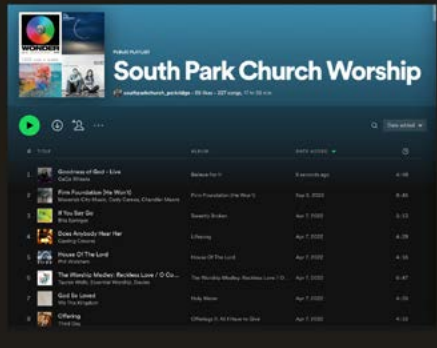
[Click here for the link to the zoom meeting.](#)

Meeting ID: 874 0226 6783 Password: 807766



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Scan the QR to  
subscribe to our  
South Park Church  
Worship Playlists!



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 WORKERS NEEDED**  
 Wednesdays, 9:15 - 11:15 am

Do you have a heart to help moms with young children get a well deserved break and connect with other moms? You can help! MOPPET childcare workers are needed for Wednesday mornings starting in September.

Contact Taryn at [tarynsoske@gmail.com](mailto:tarynsoske@gmail.com) for more information.

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MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS

**Wednesdays**  
**9:15 - 11:15**

SOUTH PARK CHURCH  
 1330 COURTLAND AVENUE  
 DARTMOUTH, NH 03825

WWW.SOUTHPARKCHURCH.ORG/MOPS

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

## 2023 IREF GOLF OUTING

Saturday, August 12 at 10am  
Bonnie Brook Golf Course (Waukegan, IL)  
Scramble Style Tournament  
[irefusa.org/golf](http://irefusa.org/golf)



Join us for an unforgettable experience of golf and fellowship. No experience necessary! If you are new to the event, we can find you a team. Contact Tim Pappageorge at [tim.pappageorge@gmail.com](mailto:tim.pappageorge@gmail.com).

*Do you want to study the Bible?*



### COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

The mission of  
**Community Bible Study**  
is to make disciples of the  
**Lord Jesus Christ**  
in our communities  
through caring,  
in-depth Bible study,  
available to all.

**COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY (CBS)** is a non-denominational Bible study for anyone interested in studying God's Word, where we strive for unity in Christ in a caring community.

*Do you want your children to know the  
God of the Bible?*

Join us in September to study

### ***Ruth and 1 & 2 Samuel***

***A King Is Coming***

### ***Ephesians***

***Created for Good***

#### LOCATION & SCHEDULE

The 30-week course begins on **Tuesday, September 12** and concludes mid-May.

**In-person:** women's & men's core groups will be held **Tuesdays from 9:15-11:15am** at South Park Church.

**Online:** women's & men's virtual core groups will be available via Zoom. **Space will be limited.**

#### HOW TO REGISTER

Go to:  
[www.parkridge.cbsclass.org](http://www.parkridge.cbsclass.org)

Registration fees are **\$35 for adults** and **\$10 for children**.

#### CBS CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

**Preschoolers** learn Old and New Testament Bible stories.

**School-aged children** study the same material as adults, but at an age appropriate level.

**Bibles:** 0-24 months

**Preschool:** 2-5 years

**Primary:** 6th - 8th Grades

**Juniata:** 9th - 10th Grades

**Middle School:** 11th - 12th Grades

A typical morning for children includes:

Prayer, Bible Study, Craft, Music and Gym.

*If you have any questions or are unable to register online, please contact Suzie Tinaglia at [parkridgecbs@gmail.com](mailto:parkridgecbs@gmail.com) or (312) 576-4169.*

Join us this fall for CBS and this year's study of Ruth, Samuel & Ephesians. Visit our website at [parkridge.cbsclass.org](http://parkridge.cbsclass.org) for more information.

**Info** Hub 

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

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We've made it easy for you to find info about what's happening at South Park Church! Visit the info hub!

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## GIVING UPDATE

### 6/25/2023 Year To Date Giving

Budgeted Giving Year To Date	\$626,000
Actual Giving Year To Date	\$502,228
Last Year Actual Giving Year To Date	\$491,186

## 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@southparkchurch.org](mailto:info@southparkchurch.org) for the Zoom link). 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 a blessing over all that will happen within our church next week for The Great Treehouse Adventure. Please pray for the kids and volunteers to grow in their knowledge of and love for Jesus through the worship, drama, games, and small group time. Pray for safety, great weather, and for joy to fill our church each day of VBS.

Please cover the Executive Pastoral search process in prayer. Pray for the process to be fruitful and that candidates will hear the Lord's calling to pursue this opportunity. Pray wisdom, discernment, and energy to fill the search team and, that ultimately, God will be honored and His will will be done.

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



# SERMON NOTES

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## The Transformation Choice Matthew 5:1-12 & Genesis 31-32

1. Phase One - \_\_\_\_\_ with others

Genesis 31:1-2; 32:6-7, 9-11

**Reality Choice** - *Realize that I'm not God; I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and my life is unmanageable.*

2. Phase Two - \_\_\_\_\_ with God.

Genesis 32:23-25

**Hope Choice** - *Earnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him, and that He has the power to help me recover.*

3. Phase Three - \_\_\_\_\_ to change

Genesis 32:26

**Commitment Choice** - *Consciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control.*

4. Phase Four - \_\_\_\_\_ to God and those we trust.

Genesis 32:27

**Housecleaning Choice** - *Openly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God and to someone I trust.*

5. Phase Five - \_\_\_\_\_ our identity

Genesis 32:28-31, 2 Corinthians 5:17

**Transformation Choice** - *Voluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects.*

# DIGGING DEEPER

1. Where are you seeing victory in your life right now? Share a victory you recently experienced.

2. This week is known as the transformation choice. In what ways are you hoping to be transformed? What step or action can you take in that direction?

3. God changes our character by changing the way that we think (Phil. 4:8, Rom. 12:2). How would your life change if you spent more time thinking about good things (God things) than about the negative?

4. What are some ways you used to be known...some old labels/identities this world has given you? And what does God say about those identities...how they compare to the way He sees you?