



Transformation
in isolation
John 13-17

Sunday, May 3, 2020

SOUTH  **PARK**
CHURCH

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

WELCOME GUESTS!

Thank you for joining us today. Even though we can't yet meet you in person, we'd love to get to know you and 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 how to participate virtually please [click here to fill out our Connect form](#) and a staff member will be in touch!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Call to Prayer and Fasting

We are navigating the most unsettling days of our lives. This can be an eternal good if we turn to the Lord and seek his face. We hope that you join us in setting aside the next Thursday for prayer and fasting. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Churchwide Prayer Night - Tuesday, May 12, 7 p.m

At the end of our 3 weeks of prayer and fasting, the Elders will host a church wide prayer meeting online. Please save the date and put it on your calendar for Tuesday, May 12 at 7 p.m. More details are coming soon!

THRIVE Women's Ministry Spring Series: 3 Spiritual Practices

All women are invited to learn more about 3 spiritual practices that can help you through this difficult season. Join us for the "Spring Series: 3 Spiritual Practices" on Thursdays, Apr. 30, and May 7 and 14. [Click here](#) to visit our website and for more info.

Youth Ministry Zoom Connection

While it may seem hard, it is more important than ever to find connection and relationship, especially for pre-teens and teens. Weekly Zoom meetings are still taking place for middle schoolers (Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.) and high schoolers (Sundays at 6 p.m.)! Parents, check your email for the Zoom invite link or contact Nick at nick@southparkchurch.org if you need help connecting!

Cans of Care Wednesdays

Our local food pantry, Maine Township Food Pantry, is in dire need of food items. Park Ridge Community Church is organizing a food drive to help provide for this need and we are invited to join in! On every Wednesday (for one month as of now), you can drop off items to specific families in the Park Ridge area who have agreed to deliver to the Food Pantry. [Click here](#) for details on how to participate!

Caring for Each Other

If you or someone in our church family are experiencing hardship and have a need or would like to receive prayer, please reach out to Jesse at jesse@southparkchurch.org or give him a call at 847-825-5507 and press 1 to leave a message. If you would like to help with needs as they arrive or donate to the Care Fund [please fill out this form](#).

WEEKLY GIVING

Week ending April 19, 2020

YTD 2020	\$	412,142
YTD Prior Year	\$	568,807
YTD Shortfall	\$	(156,665)

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29

Pray for our essential workers as they work longer, harder, and at greater risk to serve us.

Pray for wisdom for our local, state and national leaders as

they make decisions that impact the lives and work of so many.

Pray that in this season, God would draw each of us closer to Him. Pray that we would experience Him in deeper ways and be so moved by Him that we would cry “send me”.

Continue to pray for:

Kay Stecher - Ongoing health complications including congestive heart failure and CLL cancer.

Gregg Talley's mother Lela - For comfort through her health conditions though she is not able to take pain meds. Also for Gregg to continue maintaining Lela's quality of life high enough to keep her at home.

Rich Schreiber - Continuing recovery and rehab. The pandemic is delaying helpful procedures he should be having, however.

Paul Barthel - On the long road to recovery from the effects of his stroke in December

SERMON NOTES

True Humility - John 13:1-17

John 13:1-17, NIV

Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet

13 It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

2 The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. 3 Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; 4 so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. 5 After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

6 He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

7 Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

8 "No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me.”

9 “Then, Lord,” Simon Peter replied, “not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!”

10 Jesus answered, “Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you.” 11 For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

12 When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. “Do you understand what I have done for you?” he asked them. 13 “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am. 14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. 16 Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. 17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

Vision: We dream of a time in the near future when every one of us is so excited about God’s invitation that we cry out, “Send me!”

Why did Jesus get up from the meal?

Where in this story does Jesus practice humility?

Jesus sends people who have found the source of true humility.

Confession

Most merciful God, we confess
that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved
our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry
and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name.
Amen.

Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.

DIGGING DEEPER

Read John 13:1-17, then discuss the following:

1. What does this passage tell you about God?
2. What does it tell you about people in general?
3. What is it saying to you?
4. What are you going to do about it?
5. Who are you going to share it with?