



Sunday, October 16, 2022



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

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!



Not always sure where to find info about what's happening?

Connect to it from the link in our Instagram bio, "Learn More" button on our Facebook page or visit www.southparkchurch.org/info

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

You're Invited!

SOUTH  PARK
CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, October 16

11:30 a.m.

Sanctuary

All are encouraged to attend

Members will have the privilege of
voting on the senior pastor candidate

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World Relief Coat Drive

Gently used winter coats, gloves, hats, scarves are needed for newly arrived refugees and immigrants. Please place items in the World Relief bin at church entrance through the month of October.

3rd Quarter's 2nd Annual S'mores & More

Friday, Oct 21 at 6 p.m., Church Lawn and Parking Lot

Join us as 3rd Quarter celebrates fall. We'll roast s'mores and hot dogs. We'll enjoy a guitar-led sing-a-long, hot apple cider, apple pies, and games. No fee to attend. Just visit the info hub at www.southparkchurch.org/info to sign up.

BaseCamp Pumpkin Carving Party

Saturday, October 22, 5:30-8:00 p.m., 511 N. Aldine

Hey, 4th & 5th graders! You're invited to a special October event -- our BaseCamp Pumpkin Carving Party! The event will be held at the Schimka's house. Bring a friend and a pumpkin to carve! We can't wait to see you there! Please RSVP to John Schimka : 847-372-5074

Family Dedication

Class: Sunday, Oct 23, 10 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Celebration: Sunday, November 20, 10 a.m., Sanctuary

Family Dedication is a time when parents publicly express their commitment to raise their child in a home that honors Christ. In order to take part in this event, parents are required to attend our dedication class in preparation for this very significant milestone. Visit www.southparkchurch.org/info to register.

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 29, 3 - 5 p.m., SPC Parking Lot

We're excited for EVERYONE to get involved, as we believe in the importance of the intergenerational church coming together for this "2 Table to 1 Table" event. Invite your friends, wear your very best costume, and bring a bag to collect your treats! **Or...** Sign up for a parking spot to take part in our car decorating, passing out of treats and the opportunity to win a prize for the "best dressed" car at the event! If you are interested in signing up for a spot, please email spckids@southparkchurch.org.

We're Hiring an Audio Visual Tech Coordinator!

www.southparkchurch.org/employment-opportunity

Do you have tech expertise? Want to work with an incredible staff? We're hiring a part-time A/V Tech Coordinator! Visit www.southparkchurch.org/employment-opportunity for job description and to apply online!

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Sundays at 9 a.m.

Staff Conference Room and [Zoom](#)

Join us in person or online as we praise God and seek His presence and favor. You don't need to pray with fancy words and you can come and go as you are able. The important thing is to come with a humble desire to see God work in our lives, our church, and beyond.

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

These prayer requests represent just some of the ways we are uplifting each other in prayer. For additional opportunities to pray, share, and celebrate answered prayer, please attend Sunday Morning Prayer each Sunday at 9 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and over Zoom.

Please pray for godly wisdom and discernment as we seek the Lord's confirmation for **Bucky Hempen and his family** in this stage of the pastoral search process.

Please pray for **South Park Church** to seek the Lord's will individually and corporately, pray that we will be a church where authentic Christian community is evident, and pray for peace and unity to abound in our congregation.

Pray for God's peace and provision over those impacted by the catastrophic effects of Hurricane Ian.

Please pray for **Mike Mazer** as he continues to recover following open heart surgery. Please pray that Mike will gain in strength each day through physical therapy and that he feels the presence of his Savior during his recovery.

Please pray for those suffering around our country and world due to natural disasters, gun violence, injustice and so many other issues. Pray that Christ would be made known in the midst of heartbreak and that suffering would cease through the powerful name of Jesus and the spirit-led actions of believers.

Please pray for our Outreach Partners, Ted and Alya, as they continue to serve in Ukraine. Please pray for their ministry to be a huge encouragement to those they serve, for God's continued guidance of their ministry, for their safety, and for peace in Ukraine

Continue to pray for: 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 reach out to Kristin Sorensen, Care Director, at kristin@southparkchurch.org or give her a call at 847 825-5507 and press 125.

SERMON NOTES

Rekindling Our First Love *Revelation 2:1 - 7*

Introduction: Christians must maintain their love of Christ!

Context: 1:19 - 2:1

One: The Positives Regarding Lifestyle vs. 2, 3, 6

Two: The Negative Regarding the Heart vs. 4, 5
cf. Proverbs 4:23

Conclusion: Maintaining our testimony for Christ requires maintaining our love for Him and others. vs. 7

DIGGING DEEPER

1. How does Jesus' omniscience encourage you in your love for Him?
2. Why are hard work, perseverance, and right thinking alone not enough for eternal salvation?
3. Why is it so easy for the Christian life to become a matter of routine rather than passion for Christ?
4. Why is it so difficult to repent for a lack of love as a matter of the heart?
5. How might you better guard your heart in your relationship with Jesus?