



**Sunday, August 15, 2021**



**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!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **MOPS - Childcare workers needed!**

Do you have a heart for mothers and their children? Mothers of Pre-Schoolers is in need of **FIVE MORE childcare volunteers**. MOPS meets approximately every other Wednesday morning. [Contact Taryn at tarynsoske@gmail.com](mailto:tarynsoske@gmail.com) today for more information.

### **Financial Peace University**

**Mondays at 7 p.m., beginning September 13**

No more money stress—ever! It's possible when you know how to handle your finances. Join our virtual Financial Peace University class, and we'll learn how to dump debt and build wealth. You won't even have to leave home. And now, you can try Financial Peace free for 14 days! [Visit fpu.com/1137957 to sign up and learn more.](https://fpu.com/1137957) Class starts Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7 p.m.

### **MOPS Registration Now Open**

Calling all moms with kids preschool age and under! Join our community as we embrace the transformative power of love to be present in everything that we do. MOPS meets approximately every other Wednesday morning beginning September 15. Childcare available! Register today at [www.southparkchurch.org/mops](http://www.southparkchurch.org/mops)!

## **Journey Adult Sunday School**

Journey class will be on hiatus until after Labor Day.  
Check out past Journey classes on our [website](#) or [You-Tube](#).

## **Sunday Morning Prayer Hybrid! Sundays, 9.a.m. Zoom & Fellowship Hall**

Join us in person or online as we praise God and seek His presence and favor. Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87402266783?pwd=QUI0alZyVkwzNG1PYnptR1VmVWZCQT09>

Meeting ID: 874 0226 6783    Password: 807766

## **Congregational Meeting and New Leadership! September 12th following the Worship Service.**

We have many exciting things to share: the next phase in the KNOWN vision, Great Banquet news, the initial steps of the pastoral search process, an update from Pastor Marty, incoming leadership nominees, a new SPC member, and more!

At the meeting, members will have the privilege of voting on the following:

- Gretchen Gullo - Elder
- Scott Engle - Trustee Chair
- Karen Anderson - Trustee Vice-Chair
- Joe Rancich - Treasurer
- Mary-Pat Schimka - Nominator
- Randy Kjell - Nominator

## 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. Kristin can be reached via email at [kristin@southparkchurch.org](mailto:kristin@southparkchurch.org) or give her a call at 847-825-5507 and press 125 to leave her a message.

## WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

*Week ending August 1, 2021*

YTD 2021	\$	633,379
YTD BUDGET	\$	853,692
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$	(220,314)
YTD % change		-25.8%

## PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

*"I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purposes will stand, and I will do all that I please.' From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. What I have said, that I will bring about; what I have planned, that I will do."*

Isaiah 46: 10-11

**Pray for Outreach Partner Wayne Meyer** as he is grieving the death of his sister, Ann. Wayne is resting in the knowledge of his sister's homegoing. Wayne and Miyako have ministered in Japan for many years and Ann lived in Chicago.

**Pray for Libby Cheser's mom** who is on hospice care and is expected to pass soon as her condition has deteriorated. Please pray that Libby, Libby's kids (Brooke and Connor), and Libby's siblings would have a strong sense of God's peace and comfort as they face this loss.

**Pray for the family and co-workers of Chicago Police Officer Ella French** who was killed in Chicago during a traffic stop last Saturday night. Please pray for her partner who is still recovering. Please pray for great wisdom, creativity, and direction for those that are working to curb the violence in Chicago and cities around our nation. And, please pray for the safety of police officers who do this work each day.

***Continue to pray for:***

**Our Outreach Partners--** Please pray for all of our outreach partners both in the US and around the world as they have been ministering to people during a pandemic. Please pray that our international partners and the countries they serve would experience the arrival of robust vaccination programs, that devastated economies will be recovered, and that the Good News of Jesus Christ will be a healing balm to people who have experienced massive loss.

**Greg Schimmel --** Please pray that the current oral medication Greg is on will get the cancer under control so the tumors will stop growing. Please pray that Greg's persistent, exhausting cough will reduce. Please pray that Greg and Judy find joy and something to be grateful for each day. And, please pray that God proves to be their rock and salvation, in whom they will not be shaken.

**Kathy Palansky--** Please pray that the Lord will comfort and surround Kathy with His deep love for her as she is in hospice care. And, pray that Kathy would experience His presence and peace.

**Dawn Phillips--** Dawn is home receiving outpatient therapy and making steady progress. Dawn has requested prayer for physical strength and endurance as well as for emotional strength as she is struggling with depression. Please pray for Bill as he manages Dawn's care needs as well as for God's comfort and endurance for Bill, Michael and Gregory. What a joy it has been to see the Phillips' family in church the last two Sundays!

# SERMON NOTES

## The One Who is Truth *John 8:31-47*

Introduction: God is perfectly truthful!

One: The Foundation of Truth

vs. 31, 32; 38 – 42

cf. John 18:37, 38; 16:13

Two: The Expression of Truth

vs. 33 – 37

cf. Psalm 89:1 – 4

Three: The Reception of Truth

vs. 43 – 47

cf. 2 Timothy 4:3, 4; Ephesians 6:13, 14

Conclusion: Knowing God results in experiencing Truth.

cf. Psalm 25:4, 5

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. Why do people argue vehemently for their own perspective of truth?
2. How does failure to accept God's truth manifest itself in false religions?
3. How did you come to know the reality of God's truth in Jesus?
4. What role does Scripture play in your understanding of reality?
5. How can you be more faithful in making God's truth known?