



Sunday, March 21, 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

Register to attend Indoor Worship Services

Register to join us in person next Sunday! Safety measures are in place and you'll get detailed info when you register. Registration opens for the following week each Sunday. [Click here to register](#) to attend on Sunday!

New! Family Worship Service - Begins Sunday, March 28, 10 AM

Hey families! You and your kids and students are invited to join us Sundays starting on March 28 at 10 a.m. in the MPR for the NEW Family Service! Registration is now open! [Click here](#) to register to attend on March 28.

Easter Worship

Join us **in person or online** to celebrate the good news that Christ is risen! Join us on **Good Friday at 7 p.m.** for a service that will be a time to reflect on the approaching darkness of the cross of Christ through prayer, music, and words from eyewitnesses.

On Easter Sunday at 10 a.m., we are holding two different services to choose from: Easter worship in the sanctuary and a Family Easter Worship service in

the MPR. Registration is required to attend services in person, or stream services live online!

Click below to register attend services in person:

Good Friday Service (7 p.m.) - [Register Now](#)

Easter Sunday Service (10 a.m.) - [Register Now](#)

Family Easter Worship Service (10 a.m.) - [Register Now](#)

Where have you seen Christ alive and working? We want to hear from you!

We are preparing a video for Easter service and would love to see and hear from as many of you as are willing to share! We'll meet over zoom to record as a group the statement "Christ is Risen", then your family will have a few seconds to share in 1 sentence "Where have you seen Christ alive and working in your family/neighborhood/church (pick one)?" Register for one of the 3 recording sessions [here](#)! Choose from Monday, March 22 at 6 p.m., Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m., or Sunday, March 28 at 9 a.m.

Baptisms are Back!

You can be baptized starting Sunday, April 11! Learn about our safety procedures and how you can prepare at one of our upcoming baptism classes on Zoom on

Sunday March 21 at 11:15 a.m. or Saturday, March 27 at 10 a.m. If you already know you want to be baptized, please register at www.southparkchurch.org/baptism

Sunday March 21, 11:15 am

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94877540700?pwd=Q2VIMkNic3kwUmNZMUhrTzlXMVZqdz09>

Meeting ID: 948 7754 0700

Passcode: baptism

Saturday March 27, 10 am

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/95892292510?pwd=N0NDajNBWkpINStEZk42bDJpbGpwdz09>

Meeting ID: 958 9229 2510

Passcode: baptism

We're Hiring!

Hillary Delanty, our Director of Preschool Ministries, will soon be welcoming another child into the family and will be on maternity leave. As SPC's Family Ministries continue to open up, we are looking for someone to temporarily join our Family Ministry Team part-time as an Interim Preschool Ministry Coordinator. [Click here](#) to view the job description. If you are interested in serving our families in this way, please email your resume to renee@southparkchurch.org

2021 Outreach Month - “God is doing a New Thing”

In Isaiah 43:19, God tells us, “See, I am doing a new thing!” While there are many new things about our world right now that are not encouraging, we know that God is continually doing a new thing in the lives of His people and in ministry. This year we will be hearing from multiple partners throughout the entire month as they share some of these things with you with videos and stories. Next Sunday, March 28, Jesse Hallock will be preaching on embracing God’s new thing in our lives!

Make a Nomination

In addition to the current open positions, the Nominating Committee is now seeking nominations for a 9th Elder. The Committee is looking for a female to best represent and serve the church body in this role. Please continue to also make nominations for Trustee Chair, Trustee Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Nominator (2 open positions). You do not need to be a member to make a nomination, and you can also nominate yourself. To make a nomination, [click here](#) to fill out the online nomination form.

Journey Adult Sunday School - Sundays, 11:15 a.m., Zoom & Fellowship Hall

Join us for our Journey Adult Sunday School class on Sundays via Zoom or in Fellowship Hall! Throughout this month we will be hearing from 4 of our Outreach

Partners! [Click here](#) to attend via Zoom (same link every Sunday) or [click here](#) to register to attend in-person on March 28. You can watch recordings of past Journey classes on our [website](#) or [YouTube](#).

Virtual Sunday Morning Prayer - Sundays, 9-9:55 a.m.

Join us at the Virtual Prayer Room on Sunday mornings. We will gather from 9-9:55 a.m, just prior to Sunday Worship. If you're interested in joining, click here to join the Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87402266783?pwd=QUI0aZyVkwzNG1PYnptR1VmVWZCQT09>

Join the Tech Team!

The tech team has expanded their video capabilities and needs people interested in live video production! No experience required, but a desire to learn and serve through operating cameras and/or calling the production shots. Contact Adam to get involved! Send him an email at adam@southparkchurch.org

Join a Moms in Prayer group!

If you are a mom wanting to join with other moms in prayer for our schools, children, educators, and one another, join one of our Moms in Prayer Groups that

meet to pray on Mondays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. or Tuesdays from 8-9 p.m. To learn more or join please contact Pat Moy at pat@southparkchurch.org

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 or give her a call at 847-825-5507 and press 125 to leave her a message.

WEEKLY GIVING REPORT

Week ending March 7, 2021

YTD 2021	\$	156,834
YTD BUDGET	\$	275,385
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$	(118,551)
YTD % change		-43.0%

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:18-19

Pray for **South Park Church** - Pray that God would lead, guide, and give wisdom to those reviewing and discussing the Philosophy of Ministry.

Pray for the **ministry of Michael Allen and Together Chicago** and the “new thing” the Lord is accomplishing through this important ministry in Chicago.

Pray for **Dawn Phillips** who is back home now receiving outpatient therapy. Please pray that Dawn will continue to gain strength overall and for Bill as he manages Dawn’s care needs. Continue to pray for God’s comfort and endurance for Bill, Michael and Gregory.

Continue to Pray for:

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

Phyllis Verbrugghe - Phyllis had spinal surgery last Friday and is recovering well. Please pray for full healing and relief from pain.

Holly Kretekos' father, Victor - Victor is doing well following pacemaker surgery. Please pray that his heart continues to strengthen and his body would continue to heal with no signs of infection.

Gregg Talley's mother, Lela - Lela is in isolation in a local health facility while she receives antibiotic treatment for two weeks. Please pray that Lela will feel the Lord's presence with her and that the treatment will bring full healing. Please pray for Gregg and his family as this prolongs the time until they can visit with her.

Greg Schimmel - Please continue to pray for Greg as he and his doctors determine next steps in addressing tumor growth and spread. Pray pray that a medication change and procedure will yield improved results at the next scan in a few weeks. Pray for Greg and his family to be comforted and feel God's presence around them.

Kay Stecher - Please pray that Kay will continue to tolerate the leukemia treatment with minimal side effects and that her health will be fully restored.

SERMON NOTES

A New Thing in God's Church

Isaiah 43:18-19

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“Forget the former things;
do not dwell on the past.

See, I am doing a new thing!

Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?

I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland.

1. We can count on _____.

2. God is doing _____.

3. Our trust is not _____ but in
_____.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What does God say about himself in Isaiah 43:18-19? And what does God expect of us?
2. What “former things” is it time for us to forget? (Isaiah 43:18)
3. What “new thing” do you perceive the Lord doing? (Isaiah 43:19)
4. What “streams in the wasteland” is God providing for us right now? (Isaiah 43:19)
5. What can we learn from the past, and God’s record of doing new things, that might help us trust him now?