



Sunday, May 9, 2021

SOUTH  PARK
CHURCH

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!

Families with kids ages birth-8th grade are invited to join us Sundays at 10 a.m. in the MPR for the **NEW Family Service!** Click on the link above to register! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Check-in is located down the ramp after entering from the Main Entrance.

Volunteer as SPC Treasurer!

We want to express our gratitude to Deb Byers for her nearly two years of excellent service as the church treasurer. She has resigned, effective immediately, for personal reasons. This presents an opportunity (and need) for someone with a good grasp of accounting and financial matters to temporarily step into this volunteer position. If interested, please contact Steve Hands for additional information on the position at smhands@comcast.net.

Thank you Sarah!

Let's show our appreciation for the amazing work Sarah has done here at South Park Church. The month of May there will be baskets out each Sunday where we'll be collecting cards. At the end of the month we'll deliver your notes of well wishes to her!

Coffee and Lemonade After Service - Sundays, after service

On Sundays, enjoy fellowship outdoors at the front entrance over a cup of lemonade or iced coffee after service! We look forward to seeing you!

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

Journey Adult Sunday School is meeting in person and online via Zoom at 11:15 a.m. on Sundays. We hope you join us! [Click here](#) to register to attend in-person. You can watch recordings of past Journey classes on our [website](#) or [YouTube](#). Click to join the Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/94431939491?pwd=Vy9SS1kzOWdzbXFkM09WVWoxeIR4QT09>

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

Join us at the Virtual Prayer Room on Sunday mornings 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=QUI0alZyVkwzNG1PYnptR1VmVWZCQT09>

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 April 25, 2021

YTD 2021	\$	324,269
YTD BUDGET	\$	468,154
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$	(143,885)
YTD % change		-30.7%

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

I will bless the Lord who guides me; even at night my heart instructs me. I know the Lord is always with me. I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me.” *Psalms 16:7-8*

Please pray for **Emmanuel and Dee Rebba and the IREF team** in India during this devastating time as Covid runs rampant and medical care and resources are in low supply. Pray that God would supply the Rebbas with His comfort as they mourn the loss of family members. Please pray for the IREF students who've returned to their villages and pray against discouragement for the IREF staff during this traumatic time.

Pray that God would lead, guide, and give wisdom to each of us at **South Park Church** so that we may be participants, not spectators, in God's story.

Praise God that **Kay Stecher** is doing very well in her leukemia treatment and experiencing no side effects

Continue to Pray for:

Greg Schimmel - Greg continues to take medication that has been successful in keeping the tumor growth at bay at an increased dosage. Please pray that the medication will continue to successfully work in this way and that the next set of scans will confirm that. Also, please pray that Greg's persistent cough will resolve. Pray that Greg, Judy and their family experience the peace and closeness of their Savior.

Kathy Palansky - Kathy is stable at home (at The Sheraton) 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. If you'd like to inquire about visiting Kathy please email kristin@southparkchurch.org.

Pray for **Dawn Phillips** who is home receiving outpatient therapy and making good progress. 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. Please email kristin@southparkchurch.org if you'd like to provide a meal for the Phillips family.

SERMON NOTES

Confidence in Christ - John 17:6 - 19

Introduction: Christians should demonstrate confidence in Christ.

For whom does Jesus pray? vs. 6 - 10

Jesus' two central petitions on our behalf:

One: Our Protection

vs. 11 - 15

cf. John 16:33

cf. Romans 8:38, 39

Two: Our Sanctification

vs. 16 - 19

cf. Hebrews 12:10

Conclusion: Confidence in God's work of protection and sanctification results in a full experience of Jesus' joy!

cf. Hebrews 7:25

DIGGING DEEPER

1. How can you be convinced that Jesus is praying this pray for you (cf. vs. 6, 8, 10)?
2. In what aspects of your life do you most sense need of God's protection?
3. In what ways is God working in your life to sanctify you

for Jesus' glory?

4. How have you seen God's protection and sanctification in the past bring you an experience of Jesus' joy? Can you praise Him for this right now?