



Sunday, October 25, 2020

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 form](#) and a staff member will be in touch!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Kids Sermon Guide

Download and print this special guide for kids ages Pre-K-5th Grade to follow along with service! [Click here](#) to download.

Food Drive - Drop off TODAY!

Please join us in supporting a member of our church family in collecting food for the St. Paul of the Cross Food Pantry! They have a big goal of 1000 lbs this year and need our help! There is still time to donate today until 12:30 p.m. in the parking lot. Some items they are looking for are pancake mix, syrup, white rice, soup cans or mixes, chocolate chip or Oreo cookies, and any other shelf-stable food items.

Register to attend Indoor Worship Services PLUS new Family Friendly Indoor Worship Venue

There are now three venues to worship in person! You can now register to attend service in the Sanctuary, the watch-party in the MPR, or take part in the relaxed family friendly watch party in Fellowship Hall. In the MPR and Fellowship Hall, we will have tables set up with coloring materials and age appropriate kids sermon guides so that you and your family can spread out at a table without worrying about sitting still or maintaining a particular volume level. Safety measures will be in place and you will receive detailed info in your confirmation email. [Click here to register!](#)

Join the Tech Team!

The tech team has expanded 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 Nelson if you are interested at adam@southparkchurch.org

Join a Moms in Prayer group!

If you are a mom and you would like to join with other moms in prayer for our schools, children, educators, and one another please contact Pat Moy at pat@southparkchurch.org to learn more or join a Moms in Prayer Group. Groups meet to pray on Mondays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. or Tuesdays from 8-9 p.m.

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, please email info@southparkchurch.org

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 Hallock at jesse@southparkchurch.org or give him a call at 847-825-5507 and press 1 to leave a message.

WEEKLY GIVING

Week ending October 11, 2020

YTD 2020	\$ 1,131,082
YTD BUDGET	\$ 1,286,293
YTD Surplus(Shortfall)	\$ (155,211)
YTD % change	-12.1%

PRAYING FOR EACH OTHER

Pray for **South Park Church** - that God would lead, guide, strengthen and sustain our staff and elected leaders as we seek to submit to Him.

Pray for **Joani Heavey** as she has hip replacement surgery scheduled for Monday, Nov. 2nd. Pray for health leading up to the surgery, a successful surgery, and for the Lord to provide opportunities to point others to Christ.

Pray for our **Outreach partners, the Kays**, in France. Their church, **PDE Marseille**, is searching for a new pastor or pastoral team. Also, they ask for prayer for gospel opportunities with a young man, “**H**”, who is a former student that just moved nearby. (Full names undisclosed for safety).

Continue to pray for:

Lela, Gregg Talley’s mother - Continued protection from

blot clots. Doctors have been working to keep it from reaching the brain or heart.

Libby Cheser's mother - In hospice care. Pray for her and her family in this season.

Mary Schetter's Brother, Lou - Significant spinal cord injury. Recent surgery and PT has allowed him to slowly begin walking again! Prayers for healing and salvation.

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

SERMON NOTES

Blessed Assurance - 1 John 3:11-24

1 John 3:11-24, NIV

11 For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another. 12 Do not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brother's were righteous. 13 Do not be surprised, my brothers and sisters,[a] if the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love

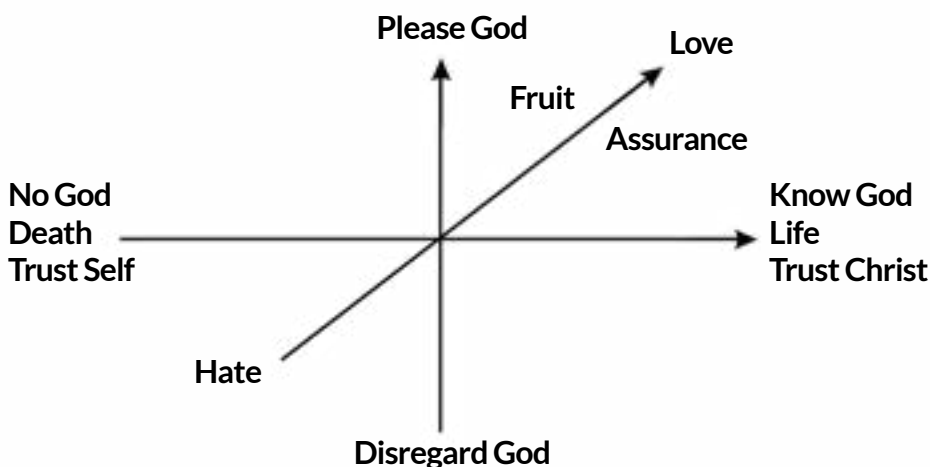
each other. Anyone who does not love remains in death. 15 Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. 17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

19 This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: 20 If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 21 Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God 22 and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. 23 And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. 24 The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

God wants you to live with the blessed assurance that you belong to Him.

The Spirit produces 3 kinds of fruit in our lives.



Almighty God, I see that I am more flawed and sinful than I ever dared believe. I also see that because of Jesus I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I turn from my old life of living for myself. I have nothing in my life to merit your approval, but I now rest in what Jesus did and ask to be adopted into your family. Fill me with your Spirit so that I may come to know you as my loving Father. I pray this trusting in Jesus, Amen.

DIGGING DEEPER

Our small group team has written a study guide for 1 John that you can use to follow along with during our series! Download a digital copy [HERE](#).