



JESUS & PETER

EVEN WHEN...

Sunday, October 2, 2022

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!

You're Invited!

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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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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Info Hub

Not always sure where to find info about what's happening? Visit the Info Hub at www.southparkchurch.org/info (it's easy to remember!) or connect to it from the link in our Instagram bio or "Learn More" button on our Facebook page.

Elder Hosted Desserts

*Thursday, October 6 & Monday, October 10
7:30 p.m., Cafe*

Are you interested in having more time to talk with Bucky? Attend one of the elder hosted desserts in the Cafe. Space is limited and spots are filling fast. [Click here to RSVP.](#)

Bucky Hempen Preaching Next Sunday, Oct. 9

Bucky Hempen, our senior pastor candidate, will conclude his two week series on 10/9! In this series, we explore the relationship between Jesus and Peter by looking at two book-end stories of their ministry/time together. As we study their relationship, we will seek to better understand our own relationship with Christ.

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

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

Join us on Friday, October 21st at 6pm 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. Please bring a lawn chair and we'll see you then!

Women's Ministry Fall Gatherings

Fri, Oct 14 at 6:30 p.m. and Sat, Oct 15 at 9:30 a.m.

THRIVE Women's Ministry invites you to one of the Fall Gatherings. Share a meal together on either Friday, October 14th for dinner or Saturday, October 15th for breakfast. Fall Gatherings will be held in the homes of various hosts. When you register, please indicate whether you prefer to be a guest or to host one of the Fall Gatherings in your home. Register on the info hub at www.southparkchurch.org/info.

Faith and Fitness

Wednesdays from 9:30 - 10:30

Get fit, strengthen your faith, and find fellowship! Faith and Fitness is a South Park Church ministry for adults 18+ that currently meets Wednesday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. The 45-minute low-impact aerobic workout will begin at 9:30 and we'll finish with a short devotional and time of prayer. Come a little early or stay a little late for fellowship. Drop-ins welcome!

Buddy Ministry Volunteer Opportunity & Wish List

We are excited to have the opportunity to expand Wonderland soon with our "Buddy Ministry," a ministry that will offer 1-1 "buddies" to kids with special needs, as well as a sensory room for them to take breaks in during their time in Wonderland. If you are interested in joining the team as a BUDDY, [click the image on the info hub!](#)

Do you want to be a part of the Buddy ministry but aren't able to volunteer? *Visit our Amazon Wish List and purchase an item today.* All items will be delivered to the church and will be used in our sensory room specifically for the buddy ministry! [Click here to view the wish list!](#)

Introducing... First Wednesdays!

Wednesdays from 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Elementary students live in a fast-paced world, with a lot of different voices coming at them at once, and it can be exciting and confusing all at the same time. That is why now, more than ever, they need to hear God speaking to them in an environment made for them.

First Wednesdays will take place on the first Wednesday of every month from 5:00- 6:30pm at South Park Church. Dinner will be provided and our first event is this Wednesday, OCTOBER 5, 2022! And don't forget to invite a friend!

Family Dedication

Register today to be a part of the Fall Family Dedication Class! 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. Our Fall Family Dedication Class will take place on October 23rd at 10:00 am (during service) in Fellowship Hall. Visit www.southparkchurchorg/info to register.

InnerCity Impact Volunteer Opportunity

Friday, October 22 and Friday, October 29

The ICI Maze is back! After a few years off, ICI will bring back the maze outreach event at both locations.

- October 22nd-Cicero Maze
- October 29th-Logan Square Maze

Contact Tyrell at tshoemaker@icichicago.org if you are interested in helping to build and/or help run the day-of event! This is a great option to serve for both those local to Chicago and those from out of town!

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.

Trunk or Treat

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

Mark your calendars for this year's Trunk or Treat! More details to come soon!

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!

FINANCIAL UPDATE

9/25/22 YTD

Budgeted Giving	YTD	\$1,005,000
Actual Giving	YTD	\$769,602
LY Actual Giving	YTD	\$804,512

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.

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.

Please pray for godly wisdom and discernment as we seek the Lord's confirmation for **Bucky** 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 hand of protection on 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, 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 are now serving to supply ministry partners and pastors in Ukraine with desperately needed food, fuel, and other supplies. 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, Kathy Somers, Jimmy Rancich, Dawn Phillips, Kathy Palansky

SERMON NOTES

Jesus & Peter *Luke 5:1-11*

A. Peter obeyed, even he thought he was _____.

True obedience is allowing God to direct our steps,
regardless of what our plans may be

B. Peter obeyed, even when it didn't _____.

Jesus can handle our honesty, as long as we're still
willing to say...but if you say so.

C. Peter obeyed, even when he was _____.

Obeying God can be a scary thing...but we can trust
Him!

DIGGING DEEPER

1. What are the things in your life/ministry you've decided you're "done" with?
2. Are you willing to let God call you back "into the boat?" or Do you feel like He might be calling you back?
3. Are there times in your life you followed God... even when it didn't make sense? What was that like?
4. What things/plans would be the most difficult for you to surrender to God's will?