***Doxology • 592**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**
Through these offerings, O God, make your love and goodness known in our world. Make us and these gifts one for the good of your kingdom. Amen.

— SENDING —

***Hymn • 403** (Blue) What a Friend We Have in Jesus

***Benedication and Charge** • 2 Corinthians 13:13
One: … Go out into the world in peace; have courage;
All: Hold onto what is good; Return no one evil for evil;
Support the weak; help the suffering;
One: Honor all people; love and serve the Lord,
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

***Congregational Response** • Go in Peace
And He said:
"Go in peace and love one another, as I first loved you.
Proclaim to all who'll hear the good news of my coming;
Keep faith in all you do. (Repeat)
Keep faith in all you do.

Notes:

11/1 – Middle School Youth Group, 4:15- 6 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
High School Youth Group, 6:45-8:30 pm. (Fellowship Hall)

11/4 – Choir Rehearsal, 9 am. (Church)
Sunday Worship, 10 am. (Church)
Sunday School & Nursery, 10:20 am (Fellowship Hall)
Pot Luck Fellowship, 11:00 am. (Fellowship Hall)

11/6 – Election Day!

11/7 – Parent Cafe, 8 am. (Living Room)
Open AA, 6:15-7:15 pm. (Dining Room)
Budget Meeting, 6 pm. (Fellowship Hall)

11/9 – South Park Food Bank (delivery/organizing), 11-2 pm.

11/10 – South Park Food Bank (food distribution), 10 am – 12 pm.

11/11 – Choir Rehearsal, 9 am. (Church)
Worship, 10 am. (Church)
Sunday School & Nursery, 10:20 am. (Fellowship Hall)
Fellowship (Women's Group), 11:00 am. (Fellowship Hall)
Community Choir/Caroling Rehearsal, 12:15 pm. (Church)

11/12 – Veterans Day

11/13 – Men of Faith, 12 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
Session, 6 pm. (Dining Room)

11/14 – Parent Cafe, 8 am. (Living Room)
Open AA, 6:15-7:15 pm. (Dining Room)
Community Thanksgiving Worship/Dessert, 7 pm (SPHS/Multipurpose)

11/15 – Women's Group, 12 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
Middle School Youth Group, 4:15- 6 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
High School Youth Group, 6:45-8:30 pm. (Fellowship Hall)

11/18 – Choir Rehearsal, 9 am. (Church)
Worship and Communion, 10 am. (Church)
Nursery, 10:20 am. (Fellowship Hall)
Fellowship (Deacon's), 11:00 am. (Fellowship Hall)
Community Choir/Caroling Rehearsal, 12:15 pm. (Church)

11/21 – Open AA, 6:15-7:15 pm. (Dining Room)

11/22 – HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

11/24 – Hanging of the Greens & Pot Luck, 6-8 pm. (Church/Fellowship Hall)

11/25 – Choir Rehearsal, 9 am. (Church)
Worship, 10 am. (Church)
Sunday School & Nursery, 10:20 am. (Fellowship Hall)
Fellowship (Pancakes), 11:00 am (Fellowship Hall)

11/28 – Parent Cafe, 8 am. (Living Room)
Bunco, 1 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
Open AA, 6:15-7:15 pm. (Dining Room)

11/29 – Early Release Day Extra Fun, 2-4 pm.

November 4, 2018

South Park Community Church is a congregation dedicated to proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel to all people: And witnessing by humble example, to our neighbor, both near and far, the love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

— GATHERING —

**Indicates: as able, the congregation stands*

Greetings, Introductions, and Announcements

Prelude • Let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship God

***Call to Worship** • From Psalm 89 (NIV)
One: We will sing of the Lord's great love forever;
With our mouths we will make God's faithfulness known
Through all generations.
All: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of God's throne;
Love and faithfulness go before our Lord.
One: Praise be to the Lord forever!
Amen and Amen.

***Hymn • 142** (Blue) All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

***Prayer of Confession**
One: When we encounter God, we are reminded how often we have
Preferred our own will to God's.
Relying on God's power to make us new in Christ,
Let us confess our sin before God and one another.
All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become a burden to carry. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image …

***Silent Moments for Personal Confession**

***Assurance of Forgiveness**
One: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
So that everyone who believes in him
May not perish but may have eternal life.
All: Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world
To condemn the world,
But in order that the world might be saved through him.

***Gloria Patri • 579** (Blue)
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

— WORD —

Anthem • Our Choir

Time for Young Disciples

Scripture Reading • Genesis 1:26-27 & Acts 8:26-40

Sermon • "Continuing the Conversations"
Righteous Collaborators (Respect)

***Affirmation of Faith** • Adapted from the Belhar Confession
It is through Christ's reconciling work that we are the church, united to God and to other believers. As the church, we are the salt of the earth. We are the light of the world. We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. As the church, we are witnesses by both word and deed. We proclaim the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells. As the church, we proclaim that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered sin and death. God conquers division, hatred and bitterness. As the church, God's life-giving Word and Spirit enable us to live in a new obedience, God opens new possibilities of life for society and the world. We declare ourselves ready to venture out on the road of obedience and reconciliation–servants of the God who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people.

***Hymn • 3002** (Green) Blessed Be Your Name

Gathering Prayers for World, Church, & Selves
One: … Lord, in your mercy,
All: Hear our prayer.

Congregational Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

A Call to Offer Ourselves
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts!
All: We lift them up to the Lord!
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Tithes and Offering

- You are invited for refreshments across the street in Fellowship Hall.
- A telephone and restrooms are also available in the educational wing of the Manse.
- On the coat rack just inside Fellowship Hall there are materials for making nametags. Please consider wearing one to help us know each other better.

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE PRAY THROUGH OUR CHURCH DIRECRTORY:
Jim & Ruthie Smith; Rachel, Audrey, & Moira Smith; Shirley Spangler; Kyle, Katie, Zeb & Ezra Stamp; Gary Stamper & Julia Anderson; Roy, Georgia, & Naomi Sutton; Chuck & Sheri Stamm; Dave Sykes & Bonnie Clay; Justin Taylor; Bob & Monta Taylor; Sascha Tozzi, Marilisa Vigano, & Manuel

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:
• **Sunday Morning** (usher/greeter, worship leader, music leader, choir, fellowship hosting) there is a sign-up clipboard by the main door in the manse or go to https://tinyurl.com/2018worshipplanning and sign up electronically.

• **Children & Youth** (Sunday School, Extra Fun, nursery, VBS, Middle School Youth Group, Senior High Youth Group, To sign up to teach Sunday school, or to help in the nursery there is a sign-up clipboard by the main door in the manse or go to https://tinyurl.com/2018SSplanning and sign up electronically. If this will be your first-time volunteering with SPCC children's/youth ministries Kenny or Pam J. will contact you regarding a background check and training.

• **South Park Food Bank** (Moving, sorting, and distributing food) contact the Food bank director, Jane Newman (janegnewman26@gmail.com), if you would like to volunteer.

• **South Park Salvation Army** serves our community in many ways (firewood, emergency lodging, utilities, rides, bell ringing) if you would be interested in volunteering please contact our director, David Kintz (djkintz@gmail.com).

THOSE WHO ENABLE OUR CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY:
Our pastor: Rev. Kenny Shaw, 836-2770, (office) or 719-644-9422 (cell)
Our Session: Dicky Carpenter (Grounds), 970-485-0698; Pam Jurgemeyer (Christian Education), 836-0734; Dale Kanack (Buildings), 836-3781; Jackie Pike (Clerk), 836-4892; 836-1676; Dave Sykes (Worship), 574-315-3581; Pam Tucker (Stewardship), 836-4630; Susie Kasper, Treasurer, 836-2398
Our Deacons: Jacky Cacace, 720-924-1455; Stephanie Carpenter, 836-2905; Sarah Shaw, 720-366-5254

CONGREGATIONAL CARE:
Our Pastor, Deacons, and Elders are available for hospital and pastoral visitation. If you, or someone you know, would like a call or a visit, please contact Rev. Kenny at 719-644-9422, or one of the Elders or Deacons. If you have an immediate need for prayer, such as surgery, hospitalization, accident, or death in the family, please contact Kenny to share your prayer request.

8TH ANNUAL
COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Wednesday, November 14 • 7:00 PM Service (refreshments to follow)
South Park High School Multipurpose Room (640 Hathaway, Fairplay)

Please bring a canned item for the South Park Food Bank
Offering will be received for South Park Salvation Army

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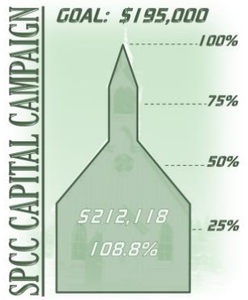
Socktober

THANK YOU for helping SPCC to fill our **Socktober** collection box! Your generosity will help our South Park neighbors in need.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SUCCESS!
Celebrating God's Goodness, Embracing Our Mission, and Looking Forward in Faith.

Thank you for your commitment to be partners in God's mission through SPCC! Together we have exceeded our capital campaign goal! To date we've received commitments for $202,118 or 103.7% of our $195,000 goal!

(If you would like more information or to participate in this project, brochures and more information are available in the back of the church or on our website (https://soparkcc.wordpress.com/capital-campaign/), along with information about online giving.)

"Continuing the Conversations"

When someone offers prayers for the divisions and polarization our country is experiencing most everyone in the congregation nods their heads in agreement. We wonder what the church can do to bridge those gaps to find common ground and healing. This sermon series builds on our Building Bridges 101 summer study and hopes to ask questions and offer resources from our faith to courageously continue conversations that have become stuck.

11/4 – Righteous Collaborators (Respect) • Genesis 1:26-27 & Acts 8:26-40
11/11 – Empathy & Hospitality (Love) • Romans 12:10 & Acts 9:10-19
11/18 – Openness -vs- Reactivity (Curiosity) • Ephesians 1:7-10 & Acts 17
11/25 – Listen, Listen, Listen (Listening) • James 1:19-27 & Acts 10

We will also be drawing from these additional resources:
"*House United: How the Church Can Save the World* – Allen Hilton
"*We Need to Talk: How to Have Conversations that Matter*" – Celeste Headlee
"*The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided …*" - Jonathan Haidt
"*Difficult Conversations: How to Discuss What Matters Most*" - Stone, Patton, Heen
"The Lost Discipline of Conversation …" – Joanne Jung

The church has been equipped with a "listening loop" (often called an "Audio Induction Loop") hearing assistance system. If you have hearing aids equipped with a T-Coil, use the "T" setting to connect to the loop. If you do not have hearing aids but need hearing assistance, ask an usher for the "loop listener" pack and you will be able to use a set of headphones to better hear the service.