



Senior Pastor

Knollwood Christian Church
St. Louis Park, Minnesota

<https://www.knollwoodcc.org/>



Mission

Committed to reaching people with the good news of Jesus Christ.

Vision

A place to experience the transformational love of Christ, make friends and belong, and find your God-given purpose.

Knollwood Christian Church serves the St. Louis Park, Minnesota community.

We are looking for a senior pastor to join us in our desire to bring more people into God's love and kingdom.

At Knollwood, people matter, and all are welcome. We invite people to experience our church community, get help, make friends, and celebrate life.

Knollwood is a place people can call home and experience God within a community of other imperfect people.



Church History

Knollwood Christian Church was established on June 14, 1963, by a handful of families from various other Christian churches.

There have been 5 senior pastors and 8 youth or associate pastors.

In 1985 the original church building was remodeled to the present structure. This provided us with more seating for worship, additional meeting space, classrooms, a nursery, and a kitchen.

The YES Center (Youth Education Service) is located right next to the church building. It was gifted to the church in 1994.



It provides significant opportunities for outreach and ministry.



Youth Education Service (YES) Center

This two-story building is directly across the alley from the church and currently houses the church offices and classrooms.

It provides room for our middle and high school youth programs. Other ministry groups have utilized the space for various activities and events.



The YES Center has been used for a food shelf, a Boy Scout troop, Minnetonka Tree House, after school programs, Friday Night Live (an outreach to the neighborhood), and a teen center operated in conjunction with the SLP police.

It has a space for bands to perform, games for people and groups of all ages to enjoy, and just a place to hang out, relax, and be yourself.



There is plenty of untapped potential with this building. We are seeking God's guidance and direction in how to use it effectively to serve Him and His people in the community!

Get to Know... Knollwood Christian Church

Church Membership – 90

Average Sunday morning in-person attendance – 40

Average Sunday morning on-line attendance – 15

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:00am

Sunday morning worship service begins at 10:00am



Opportunities for involvement within our church family include the following

- Worship and Music Ministry
- Mission Committee
- Benevolence Committee
- Youth Sunday School (Grades K through 6)
- Junior High and High School Sunday School
- Junior Church (lesson and teaching during sermon time)
- Men's and Women's Ministries
- Greeting Ministry
- Library Ministry
- Buildings, Maintenance, and Grounds Ministries
- Bi-monthly Church Board Meetings
- Annual Church Meeting

Ministries that Knollwood offers to our church family and to the community

- ▶ Monday Evening Bible Study and Fellowship
- ▶ Wednesday Evening Prayer Time
- ▶ Thursday Morning Men's Breakfast
- ▶ Coffee and Donuts with Friends Sunday
- ▶ Monthly Women's Bible Study and Fellowship
- ▶ Men's Ministry Bible Studies and Events
- ▶ Fall Mission Emphasis and Thanksgiving Dinner
- ▶ Mitten Tree (provides winter gear to a local elementary school)
- ▶ Operation Christmas Child
- ▶ Food and other donations to STEP (St. Louis Park Emergency Program)
- ▶ Live Nativity Event

Missions are important

We fund various missionaries, both internationally and locally through our members generous giving.



St. Louis Park, Minnesota

St. Louis Park is a thriving, vibrant, first-tier community located just west of Minneapolis. People from all over enjoy the many parks and miles of biking and walking trails that connect St. Louis Park to downtown Minneapolis and the neighboring communities to the west.

A variety of public transportation is available to residents, which includes bus transportation and construction is ongoing on a future light rail line, which will connect St. Louis Park to other locations within the metro area of Minneapolis and St. Paul.

The neighborhoods here are walkable and friendly, while St. Louis Park provides a real small-town charm, but has a big-city feel. Residents enjoy the neighborhood coffee shops, diverse restaurants, and offer a wide assortment of retail shopping.



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If you love the outdoors, there are 60 city parks, 9 state parks, 65 regional parks, and hundreds of miles of paved biking and hiking trails within an hour's drive. You will find a variety of year-round activities from hiking, camping, hunting, fishing, boating, to golf, skiing, and biking.

The school district of St. Louis Park has been recognized with a "National School of Excellence" award. In addition, the city of St. Louis Park is committed to raising strong families through the [Children's First](#) initiative. It is one of the first of its kind. Bringing a coordinated effort from various groups (including the faith community) to raise strong healthy youth.

Our health care is top-notch. Methodist Hospital is centrally located within St. Louis Park and has been recognized as one of the 100 top hospitals in 2021.

Home is where a person's heart is. St. Louis Park is a wonderful place to live, raise a family, experience all four seasons of the year, and feel truly at home.



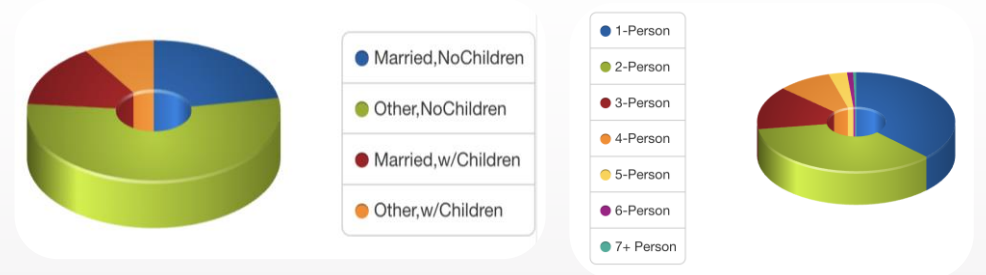
St. Louis Park Demographics

Population: 50,010

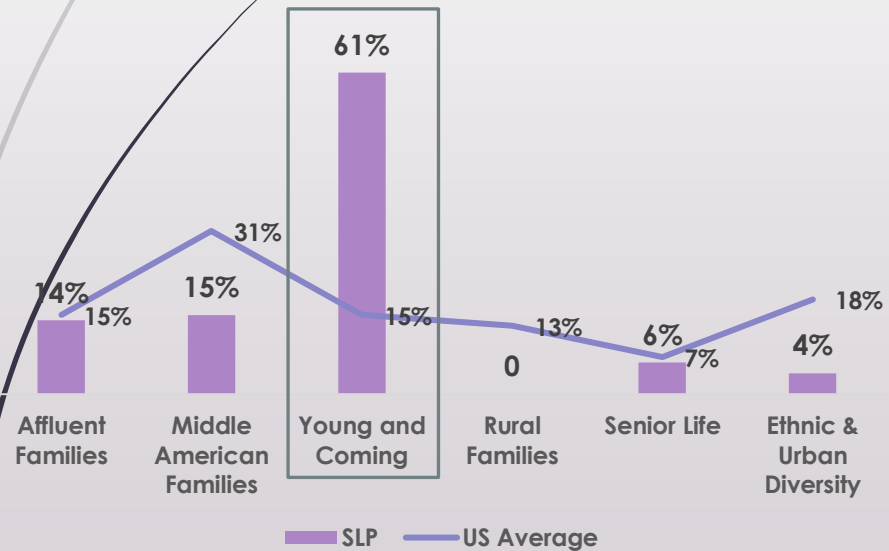
Projected to increase 4.7% by 2027

The median home sale price of \$358k & \$350k in nearby Hopkins. Rentals start around \$1,200.

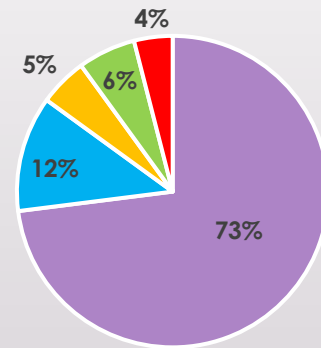
Household Type & Size



Lifestyle Diversity: 26 of 50 segments exist in the area. The primary segments are:

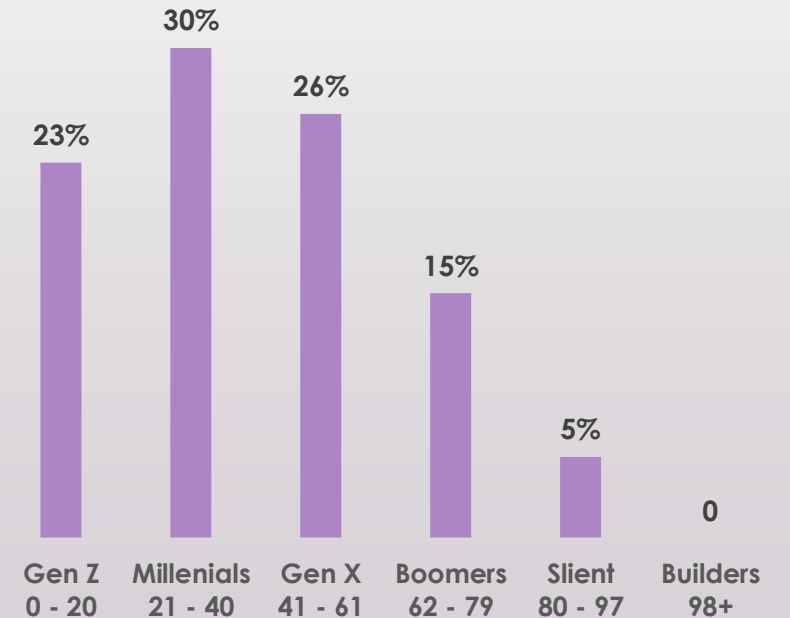


Diversity/Race



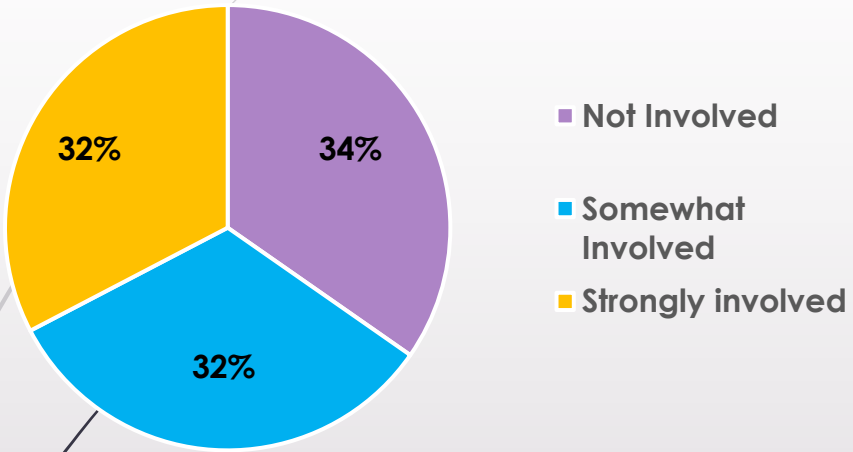
- Anglo
- African-American
- Hispanic
- Asian
- Native American & Other

Generational groups

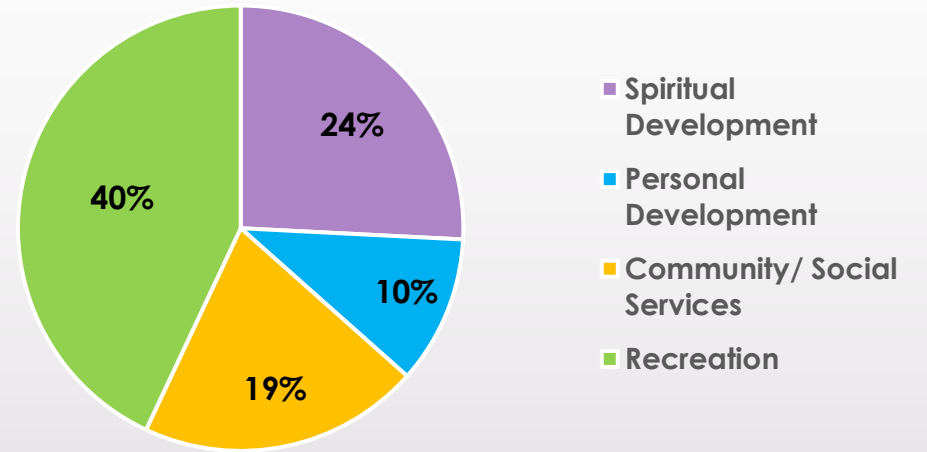


St. Louis Park Attitudes & Preferences

Faith involvement



Preferred church programs



- Satisfying job and career
- Finding companionship
- Social injustice
- Time for rec & leisure
- Retirement
- Personal health

Household concerns





Senior Pastor Job Description

We are looking for a person to help us build toward a growing congregation. We view this as a 3-year+ process focusing on these key aspects in the following priority order.

The Senior Pastor will:

- ▶ **Oversee pastoral care where people are connected and care for one another**
- ▶ **Create and implement need-oriented evangelism and outreach strategies in partnership with leadership**
- ▶ **Equip people through leadership & ministry development and team building**
- ▶ **Encourage and inspire people with Biblically-based, thoughtful, yet challenging messages**

Senior Pastor Job Description

Key Skills:

- ▶ Clear, concise, and passionate communicator
- ▶ Ability to set clear direction and lead with confidence
- ▶ Proactive self-starter and good steward of time
- ▶ In touch with today's culture, but also grounded in Christ, to effectively connect with the community
- ▶ Savvy user and strategist for digital tools, like websites & social media

Spiritual Traits:

- ▶ God-seeking, passionate about Christ
- ▶ Grounded in scripture and prayer
- ▶ Passionate about reaching people
- ▶ Teachable, humble spirit
- ▶ Committed to learn and grow intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually
- ▶ Flexible and steadfast, patiently waiting for results, but willing to step out in faith

Qualifications:

- ▶ Bachelor degree or higher preferred
- ▶ 5+ years of pastoral experience preferred
- ▶ Outreach experience strongly preferred
- ▶ Committed to the principles of the Restoration Movement

Ephesians 4:11: Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up!



Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this opportunity.

If you are interested in more information, please email us at knollwoodchristianch@gmail.com