

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**September 13, 2009**  
**Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

*Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.  
Also, if you need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason, please use the exits at the  
back of the Sanctuary.*

*We appreciate your assistance as we seek to maintain a proper worship  
environment for everyone present.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Ascription of Praise**

*(I Timothy 1:17)*

“Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor  
and glory forever. Amen”

**Call to Worship**

**Seminole Sanctuary Choir**

*Psalm 150 - Chilcott*

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

**Hymn #38**

## **\*\* The Invocation**

### **\*\* The Apostles' Creed**

*"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."*

## **The First Scripture Lesson**

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice of one calling: "In the desert prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out." And I said, "What shall I cry?" "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the LORD blows on them. Surely the people are grass. The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever." You who bring good tidings to Zion, go up on a high mountain. You who bring good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power, and his arm rules for him. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him. He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.

## **The Confession of Our Sins**

*“Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”*

## **The Second Scripture Lesson**

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart. For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever." And this is the word that was preached to you. Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

I Peter 1:22—2:3

## **Special Music**

# **The Pastoral Prayer**

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## **The Lord's 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

## **The Anthem**

**Seminole Sanctuary Choir**

*In the Beauty of Holiness- Ellingboe*

## **\*\* Offertory Hymn**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Hymn #295

**\*\* Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**  
Deacon Alex Fernandez

And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Acts 20:32-35

**The Offertory**  
*He Leadeth Me* – L. Larsen

*PLEASE FILL OUT THE CONNECTION CARD IN THE BULLETIN  
TO INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE.*

**\*\* The Doxology**  
(Hymn # 731)  
*Children K4 – K5 may be dismissed to Children's Church.*

**The Message**  
Rev. John K. Keen,  
*Senior Pastor*

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*  
Hymn #529

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Agincourt Hymn - J. Dunstable*

*\*\* All who are able, please stand*  
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## *Welcome to Our Visitors*

We welcome you in the name of Christ! You can find more information about us on our website at [www.seminolepca.org](http://www.seminolepca.org). For questions or to share a prayer concern, call the office at 774-3881, ext. 700 or email us at: [church@seminolepca.org](mailto:church@seminolepca.org).

### **Emergency Contact Number For Fridays**

*If you have any urgent or emergency needs on Fridays, please feel free to contact Ruling Elder Chip Johnson at (813) 857-3915.*

### **Deacons' Mercy Line (813) 774-3881, Ext. 744**

*If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call this church phone extension; a deacon generally checks the line daily.*

## Breakfast this Morning

Good morning Seminole! The congregation of St. Paul Lutheran Church has cordially invited us to join in their Rally Day breakfast which will be served **TODAY until 10:30 AM** from Room 104/the Kitchen. Please be sure to stop by, say hello, and mingle before proceeding onto our Sunday school at 10:45 AM.

## TRIATHLON KICKOFF MEETING



Are you ready to “tri” your first tri?? No? That’s OK, you don’t have to be ready ‘til this time next year!! So let’s get started with our planning and training! If you like to swim, bike, or run, we want you! If you don’t, please consider helping out with our tailgate party! Our kickoff meeting is **TODAY** immediately following worship/Sunday School at the home of Brian and Donna Waugh. Remember your dish to share for lunch and swimsuits for the kids! **Please call Cathy Armstrong for more information at 949-8601.**

## Ladies Bible Study

All women are invited to participate in a new bible study to be taught by our pastor’s wife, Diane Keen. The study will begin on Tuesday, September 22, and it will be held at the Keen’s house (15832 Glenarn Drive, Tampa, FL 33618) from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. This is a great opportunity for bible study, prayer, and fellowship, so please call Diane if you plan to attend (813.758.7177).

# *Sunday School and Youth Small Groups*

## *Children & Youth Sunday School*

The 2009 – 2010 Sunday School year kickoff is TODAY!

<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>Class Teacher(s)</b>	<b>Class Room</b>
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson w/ Alina Sanchez	#115
Ages 4-5 / K4-K5	Tami Pothoven and Jane Lambers	#111
Ages 6-8 / 1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Debbie Vincent w/ Jamie Dalton	#109
Ages 9-10 / 4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Alex & Kelly Fernandez	#107
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	#105
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Ben Lambers	#101

## *Youth Small Groups (Evenings)*

Additionally, for the youth on Sunday evenings, there will be small groups from 5:30 - 7:30 pm beginning today and ending Dec. 13 at the home of Servy & Raquel Fernandez. There will be a total of 13 meetings (taking off November 29/Thanksgiving weekend). The groups will be gender separated with the total number depending upon how many students participate.

The groups will observe the following format:

5:30 pm - Gather

5:40 pm - Group Activity

6:15 pm - Separate into small groups

7:20 pm - Wrap-up

7:30 pm - End (Though students may hang out for a 1/2 hour)

Please make plans now to participate!

## *Adult Sunday School*

### **Walden Class: Judges, Part III - Room 100**

*Teacher: Bill Earnest*

This quarter the Walden class will complete the Book of Judges. However there are two remaining Judges to study in God's Word; we will find Eli and Samuel in the book of I Samuel. Their story is well known by many of us. Eli and the Ark of the Covenant, Samuel with King Saul and King David. These are great stories and exciting to study just for the history. But beyond the history is a wealth of spiritual food for every Christian to feast upon, and we are looking at a banquet! The Walden class needs your input and spiritual experiences to enhance our study. Come join us each Sunday morning in **Room 100** for prayer, study, discussion, and great fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

### **Studying Scripture – Room 108**

*Teacher: Joe DeNitto*

Have you ever had problems understanding God's Word? When you come to a passage in the Bible that confuses you, do you tend to read past it? Would you like to have more tools to assist you in your Bible study?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this class is for you. In this class we will learn many ways to faithfully study the scriptures. We will apply these techniques to scripture passages, so that very practical methods will be developed for your study. Easy, medium and difficult scripture passages will be studied throughout the class. Participating in this class could change the way you read, think about & understand the Bible. Please join us in **Room 108** each Sunday morning.

## This Week at SPC ~ September 13 - 19

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am  
  
MS & HS Studies @ Servy & Raquel  
Fernandez' home; 5:30 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:45pm
- FRIDAY:** Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am

## Coming Events

- September 24: Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- October 6: Session Meeting, 7 pm



### **SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 152

Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,257.90

*For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has,  
not according to what he does not have. 2 Cor. 8:12*

# Volunteers

## *Children's Worship Volunteers*

	<u><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>	<u><i>Banner Bearer</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Danielle Bolanos</i>	<i>Tommie Bolanos</i>	<i>Kaela Dalton</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Chip Johnson</i>	<i>A.J. Johnson</i>	<i>Ashley Johnson</i>
<i>Sept. 27</i>	<i>Delie Koehler</i>	<i>Grace Keen</i>	<i>Noah Koehler</i>

*Children's Church for children in K4/K5 meets in Room 111.*

## *Nursery Volunteers*

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Anna Claire Lambers</i>
<i>Sept. 27</i>	<i>Kourtney Melendi</i>

## *Coffee Volunteers*

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Larry Dickey</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Sept. 27</i>	<i>Ron &amp; Marilyn Quick</i>

*If you are unable to work your scheduled Sunday, please find someone to fill in for you prior to the date you are scheduled to work.*

# Prayer Requests

## **Pray for those who are sick or are recovering from illness:**

- Martha Thompson (leukemia)
- Jon Irwin (MD)
- Mercedes & Servando Fernandez (Servy Fernandez' parents; various health/heart issues)
- Lucille Armstrong (mother of Brian Armstrong)
- Elizabeth Adams (mother of Carol McFarland)

## **Pray for those seeking employment or better employment:**

- Elaine Crescent
- Bill Bergen

## **Pray for our missionaries:**

- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS in Papua New Guinea
- Marc & Aline Mailloux, Mission to the World - ministry to French speaking people in South Florida and the Caribbean
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development

## **Prayer / Praise:**

- Pray for expecting mother Becky Groomes (October)
- Pray for the Dalton's Winter Haven home to sell quickly
- Allen & Kathy Killebrew and family (home threatened by fires in CA)

E-mail: [prayer-list@lists.seminolepca.org](mailto:prayer-list@lists.seminolepca.org)