

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**September 20, 2009**  
**Sixteenth 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**

*Allegro from Quartet #16 - Mozart  
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalm 150*

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

**People: Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.**

Leader: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,

**People: praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute,**

Leader: praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

**ALL: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.  
Praise the LORD.**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Praise to The Lord, The Almighty*  
Hymn #53

**\*\* 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**

Therefore hear the word of the LORD, you scoffers who rule this people in Jerusalem. You boast, "We have entered into a covenant with death, with the grave we have made an agreement. When an overwhelming scourge sweeps by, it cannot touch us, for we have made a lie our refuge and falsehood our hiding place." So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed.

Isaiah 28:14-16

## **The Confession of Our Sins**

*Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

*- A prayer attributed to St. Francis*

## **The Second Scripture Lesson**

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash." When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

Matthew 7:24-29

## **Special Music**

*Song Without Words – Mendelssohn*

# **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**

*Jesu Priceless Treasure - Buxtehude*

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

*And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

Hymn #455

## **\*\* Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 5:15-20

## **The Offertory**

*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 Third Scripture Lesson**

As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him— you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame." Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone," and, "A stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for. But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

I Peter 2:4-10

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

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*  
Hymn #521

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Praise to the Lord* - arr. J. Innes

*\*\* 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.*

## Triathlon News



Many thanks to our budding triathletes who participated in our kickoff meeting this past Sunday! If you are interested in going to see what a triathlon is like, mark your calendar for Saturday, October 24. We will travel to Fort Desoto to see the Suncoast Triathlon, an event similar to the one in which we will participate next summer.

Our first triathlon is now on the calendar! It will be on Saturday, August 7, 2010. Registration for the event opens In April, so it's not too late to get involved! Call Cathy Armstrong, 949-8601.

## Student Ministries News

### **October 3: Service Project: Yard Work (8:30 am-12:30 pm) Free**

We have another opportunity to exercise our faith by serving others. "Therefore...let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:10). Let's get together and serve our church by helping with some good 'ole yard work.

- Required: notarized Med/Release form (plus, wear clothes that can get dirty)
- Bring: a sack lunch, water bottle, sunscreen, plus any yard work tools (rakes, bush clippers, gloves, etc.)

## SPC Family Matters

- **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 this 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).
- **Walden Sunday School Class Relocation** – Please note that the Walden Sunday School will be relocated from Room 100 to Room 102 (next door to Room 100).
- **Sanctuary** – Kudos to everyone! Your Deacons would like to thank everyone for your collective efforts in helping them turn around the sanctuary after the service. Not one hymnal nor one piece of trash was left behind! Keep up the good work!
- **Parking** – The Deacons would also like to thank everyone for observing the parking guidelines, which allow us to share the parking lot with St. Paul. Please continue to be diligent in following these guidelines.
- **Save the Date, Fall Fellowship** – We are tentatively planning our Second Annual Fall Fellowship for Sunday evening (5 – 7:30 pm), November 1. Pencil in the date and stay tuned for more details!
- **Save the Date, Metropolitan Ministries Volunteer Opportunity** – Also, please save Saturday evening, November 21 for a Metropolitan Ministries volunteer opportunity for adults and youth (above the age of 12). More details will be coming, so check back!

## In Christian Sympathy

We offer our deepest Christian Sympathy to Brian and Cathy Armstrong in the loss of Brian's mother, Mrs. Lucille Armstrong, who passed away Tuesday evening, September 15. Per Lucille's wishes, a simple grave-side service was held for her this past Saturday, September 19. Keep the Armstrongs and their entire family in prayer as they adjust to life without this precious family member.

# Sunday School and Youth Small Groups

## *Children & Youth Sunday School*

Sunday School	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
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 (MS & HS) on Sunday evenings, there will be small groups from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the home of Servy & Raquel Fernandez. The groups will be studying:

- **The Person of Jesus** - How did Jesus react to people and situations? And what does that communicate about love? In this excellent study we will take an in-depth look at love by focusing on the one truly good man, Jesus of Nazareth. Specifically, this fall semester we will look closely at the compassion of Jesus and explore the enemies of compassion such as judging, self-righteousness and legalism. This study is equally suited to discipling believers and helping non-believers discover the beauty of Jesus. Therefore, let's sit at the feet of Jesus as the Holy Spirit ignites, rekindles, or fans the flame of our joy of knowing Jesus.

## *Adult Sunday School*

### **Walden Class: Judges, Part III - Room 102**

*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 102** 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.



# 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>Delie Koehler</i>	<i>Grace Keen</i>	<i>Noah Koehler</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Chip Johnson</i>	<i>A.J. Johnson</i>	<i>Ashley Johnson</i>
<i>Oct. 4</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>	<i>Emily Johnson</i>	<i>Bryson Pothoven</i>

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

## *Nursery Volunteers*

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Anna Claire Lambers</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Kourtney Melendi</i>
<i>Oct. 4</i>	<i>Adrienne Lambers</i>

## *Coffee Volunteers*

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Ron &amp; Marilyn Quick</i>
<i>Oct. 4</i>	<i>Brian Waugh &amp; DJ Koehler</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)
- 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

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

## September Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays

*Rachel Strickland 9/1*  
*Jamie Dalton 9/5*  
*Andrew Johnson 9/6*  
*Frank Frail 9/10*  
*Cameron Pothoven 9/11*  
*Jonathan Keen 9/14*  
*Chloe Cawley 9/15*  
*Sally Quick 9/22*  
*Kate Melendi 9/23*  
*Glee Hamilton 9/24*  
*Mary Earnest 9/25*  
*Ross Edwards 9/26*  
*Cathy Armstrong 9/27*  
*Mindy McFarland 9/28*  
*David Groomes 9/28*

### Anniversaries

*Servy & Raquel Fernández 9/13*  
*DJ & Delie Koehler 9/14*  
*Ron & Marilyn Quick 9/15*  
*Bill & Mary Earnest 9/29*  
*Tony & Donna Carrillo 9/30*