

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**July 25, 2010**  
**Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**

*Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.  
If you need to leave the Sanctuary, please use the exits at the back.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

*Were You There?*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalm 118:19-24*

- Leader:** Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.
- People:** **This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.**
- Leader:** I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.
- People:** **The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;**
- Leader:** the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ALL:** **This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

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

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

Hymn #604

## **\*\* 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**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, I call to you; come quickly to me. Hear my voice when I call to you. <sup>2</sup> May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice. <sup>3</sup> Set a guard over my mouth, O LORD; keep watch over the door of my lips. <sup>4</sup> Let not my heart be drawn to what is evil, to take part in wicked deeds with men who are evildoers; let me not eat of their delicacies. <sup>5</sup> Let a righteous man strike me—it is a kindness; let him rebuke me—it is oil on my head. My head will not refuse it. Yet my prayer is ever against the deeds of evildoers; <sup>6</sup> their rulers will be thrown down from the cliffs, and the wicked will learn that my words were well spoken. <sup>7</sup> They will say, “As one plows and breaks up the earth, so our bones have been scattered at the mouth of the grave.” <sup>8</sup> But my eyes are fixed on you, O Sovereign LORD; in you I take refuge—do not give me over to death. <sup>9</sup> Keep me from the snares they have laid for me, from the traps set by evildoers. <sup>10</sup> Let the wicked fall into their own nets, while I pass by in safety.

## The Confession of Our Sins

*“Receive my confession, O most loving and gracious Heavenly Father, through the Lord Jesus Christ, the only hope for the salvation of my soul. Grant to me true contrition, so that day and night I may be sorry from the heart for my sins. Savior of the world, O good Jesus, who gave yourself to the death of the cross to save sinners, look upon me, most wretched of all sinners; have pity on me, and give me the light to know my sins, true sorrow for them, and a firm purpose of never committing them again. Amen.”*

## The Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup>Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ for the faith of God's elect and the knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness— <sup>2</sup>a faith and knowledge resting on the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time, <sup>3</sup>and at his appointed season he brought his word to light through the preaching entrusted to me by the command of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>To Titus, my true son in our common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior. <sup>5</sup>The reason I left you in Crete was that you might straighten out what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you. <sup>6</sup>An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. <sup>7</sup>Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. <sup>8</sup>Rather he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. <sup>9</sup>He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it. <sup>10</sup>For there are many rebellious people, mere talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision group. <sup>11</sup>They must be silenced, because they are ruining whole households by teaching things they ought not to teach—and that for the sake of dishonest gain. <sup>12</sup>Even one of their own prophets has said, "Cretans are always liars, evil brutes, lazy gluttons." <sup>13</sup>This testimony is true. Therefore, rebuke them sharply, so that they will be sound in the faith <sup>14</sup>and will pay no attention to Jewish myths or to the commands of those who reject the truth. <sup>15</sup>To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are corrupted and do not believe, nothing is pure. In fact, both their minds and consciences are corrupted. <sup>16</sup>They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

# **Pastoral Prayer & 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.*

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

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Hymn #167

(v. 1-4, only)

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

<sup>16</sup>This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. <sup>17</sup>If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? <sup>18</sup>Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

I John 3:16-18

## **The Offertory**

*Song Without Words - Felix Mendelssohn*

*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**  
*Be Thou My Vision*  
Hymn #642

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* - arr. L. Larsen

*\*\* 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.*

## SPC Family Matters

**Youth Summer Study** is back at the Dalton's home; join in from 6:00-8:00 pm on Sunday nights.



### **Youth Activity! Movie Night at Dave's Pad THIS**

**Wednesday, July 28 from 7pm-10:30pm; FREE** - After the

movie Dave will lead a discussion as we think about the message of the movie by asking, "Is it true and do I believe it?"

So bring a friend and enjoy. (Parents, the movie selection is *Signs*, written and directed by M. Night Shyamalan, and is rated PG-13. This movie is a psychological thriller. See the

parents guide on [www.imbd.com](http://www.imbd.com) to determine the appropriateness for your child.)

Meet at David Blanco's apartment at 7:00pm (Address: 6148 Coral Bay Rd., Tampa, 33647; Phone: 561-389-6732) **Required:** notarized Med/Release Form.

**Dalton Contact Information** – **Phone Number Addition** - Danny and Jamie now have a new home phone number; they can be reached at: 813-234-5830.



**Fundraisers!** Support our Urban Immersion Team by checking out the "Giving Tree" on your way to the fellowship time (pick an envelope, make a donation of your choice, and drop it in the offering plate).

**Reminder** – Please do not move or use the hymn books in the pew racks for any reason. Thank you for your cooperation as we seek to be gracious guests of St. Paul Lutheran Church.



**Children's Ministry Teachers Needed!** We are beginning to make plans for the 2010 – 2011 term of Children's Sunday School. Here are the positions we are actively recruiting for:



- K4-K5 Teacher Assistant
- 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher
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Please contact Jackie Toenes to volunteer ([jtoenes@seminolepca.org](mailto:jtoenes@seminolepca.org) or 220-4095)

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## Triathlon News



The SPC Triathlon Teams - *Cruisers, Frogs, Maverick and the Geese, and Seagals* - would like to invite you to join us **THIS Saturday, July 31** beginning at **7:00 a.m.** for the event we have been working so hard to prepare for: the Top Gun Triathlon! It will be nice and cool that early in the morning, so come and enjoy this beautiful setting with

us, and *cheer us on!*

**How to Find Us:** The Triathlon will take place at Ft. Desoto Park. (You will need 50 cents for the toll booth on the Pinellas Bayway after you exit off I-275, and then 35 cents to get into the park. Race admission is free.) After you go through the gate at Fort Desoto Park, turn right at the stop sign where the flag is, and proceed to the North Beach Parking area. You will have no trouble finding the race area, as the race is sold out with 1,100 participants! If you want to see us before our swimmers start, then leave yourself time to park and walk 1/4 mile from the beach access by the concession building to the swim start area. After that you can walk back up to the "transition" area, where we "tag up" for each segment of the race. The finish line will be in that same area, and there are restrooms right there as well.

**Party Tent!** Both during and after the race you can feel free to hang out at our tent in the North Beach area, where Bryan & Jackie Toenes will be there to greet you. Our athletes will join you when we are able after the race. *Bring your own chair and snacks & drinks to share*; we'll have a table set up at our tent for the food. There will be a lot of activity in that area, so if you don't see the tent right away, feel free to **call Jackie on her cell at 813.220.4095 or Bryan on his cell at 813.732.1175 to find out the exact location of the Party Tent.** The race should be over by no later than 10:00 a.m.



Call Cathy Armstrong with any questions, 949-8601.

# Sunday School and Youth Small Groups

## *Children & Youth Sunday School*

Sunday School	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson & Alina Sanchez	#115
Ages 4-5 / K4-K5	Sally Quick & Liz Hickerson	#109
Ages 6-8 / 1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Debbie Vincent & Holly Edwards	#111
Ages 9-10 / 4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Chip Johnson & Gregg Quick	#107
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Richard Zak & Steve Pothoven	#105
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton & Dave Blanco	#101

## *Youth Sunday School Descriptions*

### **High School - Room 101**

*Teachers: Danny Dalton & Dave Blanco*

The Justice Mission - This hard core *Youth Specialties* curriculum will shock you. It provides a broad and powerful introduction to the often overlooked truth that God is big on justice, that He hates oppression and injustice, that He is on the move and the gates of hell will not prevail. Follow four high school students (no different than you) as they journey through India seeing injustice with their own eyes. We will see how the gospel leads us to hate oppression, to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8).

### **Middle School - Room 105**

*Teachers: Richard Zak & Steve Pothoven*

Wise Up - In an effort to deepen and broaden our knowledge and understanding of God's Word, we will be going through selections from the Old Testament poetic books (Job, Psalms, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes.) Due to mature themes, we will wait until high school before going through Song of Songs. (I bet that will get you curious enough to actually read that book.) How do these books relate to our lives today? What is the most important thing in life? Where do I find direction, wisdom, meaning, and joy in life? These questions and more will be answered throughout June, July and August. Don't miss out!

## *Adult Sunday School Descriptions*

### **Walden Class - Room 108**

*Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest*

The Walden class is in for a treat this morning. Before we elaborate on that, I would like to extend an invitation to each one of you to join the class for this special occasion. We meet in the Snyder building, room 108, right after fellowship time. Pastor John will extend to you an invitation to join our church family after worship for coffee, snacks, and fellowship. From there it is just a short walk down the hall to room 108.

Many of you know that the Walden class has been studying Hebrews over the past few months. It has been a great study and challenge to us in our daily Christian walk. However the time for a little break has come, so today we are blessed with a guest teacher. You may be asking yourself, "I wonder what the study will be today?", or, "Who is the guest teacher?" Well there is only one way to find the answer to both questions and that is to join with the class. I assure you that you will not be disappointed and you will be very pleased that you took us up on this special invitation. To quote a class member last week, "don't be surprised if we double the class size for this special day." Now that would be special!

### **Parables of Jesus – Room 102**

*Teacher: Elder Steve Strickland*

Jesus communicated the gospel to everyone from high to low, and parables comprise a large portion of his teaching. In his parables, Jesus used familiar examples from farming, finance, fishing and feasting, to work, wages, and welfare. Yet, for how common these examples were to his original audience, we surely can sympathize with the disciples when they asked Jesus, "Explain the parable to us." If parables are difficult to understand and are found almost nowhere else in Scripture, why did Jesus use them? This class will provide a survey of the interpretation of parables, but the main focus will be on the study of specific parables. We will seek to understand them in the context of Jesus' ministry and how they should impact our lives today.

## This Week at SPC ~ July 25 – July 31

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am
- Youth Summer Study @ the Dalton's,  
6pm – 8pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Youth Movie Night @ Dave Blanco's,  
7 pm
- THURSDAY:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- FRIDAY:** Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am
- SATURDAY:** Top Gun Triathlon @ Ft. Desoto, 7:00 am



- August 2 – 7:** High School Urban Immersion
- August 11:** Youth Midnight Madness, 8 pm
- August 17:** Session Meeting, 7 pm
- August 26:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 112

Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,720.95

*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>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Chip Johnson	Alex Johnson	Johnny Hickerson
Next Week:	Delie Koehler	Hannah Johnson	Mikayla Koehler
Aug. 8:	Gail Chang	Emily Johnson	Bryson Pothoven

*Children's Church for children in K4/K5 meets in Room 109.*

## *Nursery & Coffee Volunteers*

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
Today:	Amanda Waugh	Brian Waugh
Next Week:	Carolyn Keen	Andy Thomson
Aug. 8:	Kendall Melendi	Marsha Craig

## July Birthdays & Anniversaries

### *Birthdays*

John Keen 7/4	Keegan Melendi 7/18
Jean Glaze 7/8	Bryan Toenes 7/21
Lea Zambon 7/9	Dave Hawes 7/23
Caleb Koehler 7/11	Connie Frail 7/25
Bev Thomson 7/16	Dorothy Lemmon 7/26
Richard Zak 7/16	Dave Blanco 7/27

### *Anniversaries*

Randy & Lisa Johnson 7/6	Steve & Tami Pothoven 7/24
David & Becky Groomes 7/7	Joe & Liz Blue 7/26
Preston & Judy Kneeshaw 7/11	Don & Glee Hamilton 7/27
Danny & Jamie Dalton 7/12	

# Prayer Requests

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

- Jon Irwin (MD)
- Bill Bergen (lump in neck; cancer)
- Allene Cawley (hip replacement surgery recovery)
- Irene Lewis (Bill Alboth's sister; congestive heart failure)

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

- Elaine Crescent
- Amarnath Boodoosingh
- Matthew Mattice
- Chip Johnson

## **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
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF

## **Prayer / Praise:**

- Pray for the families in our congregation that are traveling over the next few weeks.
- Pray for the upcoming Urban Immersion trip (use your UI prayer guides!)

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