

Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
August 15, 2010
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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If you need to leave the Sanctuary, please use the exits at the back.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalms 105:1-3

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

People: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

ALL: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Hymn #457

**** 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

²²Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.
²³Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does. ²⁶If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.

James 1:22-26

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

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

Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

⁹ Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. "If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, ¹⁰ and if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. ¹¹ The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. ¹² Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings. ¹³ "If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath and from doing as you please on my holy day, if you call the Sabbath a delight and the LORD's holy day honorable, and if you honor it by not going your own way and not doing as you please or speaking idle words, ¹⁴ then you will find your joy in the LORD, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob." The mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Isaiah 58:9-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Report from Urban Immersion Team Members & 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 This Passing World Is Done

Hymn #545

(v.1,3,5 only)

**** Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**

³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Luke 12:32-34

The Offertory

The Water is Wide - arr. Brant Adams

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TO INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE.*

*** The Doxology**

(Hymn # 731)

Children K4 – K5 may be dismissed to Children's Church.

The Message
David Blanco
Student Ministries Intern

**** Glorifying God in Song**
O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!
Hymn #535

**** Benediction**

Postlude
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring - J.S. Bach

*** 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. For questions or to share a prayer concern, call the office at 774-3881, ext. 700 or email us at: 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 News!

TODAY, August 15 – The Urban Immersion team will provide a report during our morning worship service (as well as help lead the worship) and will provide snacks for the fellowship time.

THIS TUESDAY, August 17 Service Project: **Encouragement Packages**, 10am to 3pm; Free. Let us

continue to exercise our faith by doing good to others.

We will be meeting at the Toenes' home (4907 Wishart Blvd, 33603) and making some baked goodies like cookies, brownies, and muffins. We will also use our

creativity to put together cards of encouragement and then deliver them to people in our church as a way of serving through encouragement. Required: notarized Med/Release Form & Bring a sack lunch.



Choir Practice

Choir Practice will resume **THIS Wednesday, August 18** at 7:30 pm. (SPC's choir room is located in the church's office.) Please see Danny Compher for more information.



Officer Nominations

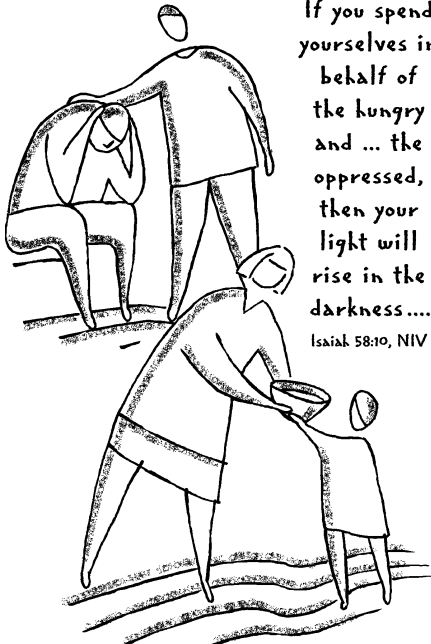
It is time for our annual SPC Officer Nominations for the offices of Ruling Elder and/or Deacon. Please find a ballot inserted in today's bulletin. Please place completed ballots in the offering plate.



Our Condolences

*With
Sympathy*

We offer our deepest Christian sympathy to Grace Morton on the loss of her sister, Mrs. Mildred Wyatt, who died at Town-n-Country Hospital Thursday, August 5. Mrs. Wyatt was eighty-nine years old and Grace's only sister. Please pray for Grace as she mourns the loss of a dear sister she loved so very much. Grace is the youngest of four children (one sister and two brothers), and now she is the only surviving member of the family unit. Ask our Lord to comfort Grace in this time of loss, as well as Mrs. Wyatt's daughter, son-in-law, and their extended family members.



If you spend
yourselves in
behalf of
the hungry
and ... the
oppressed,
then your
light will
rise in the
darkness....
Isaiah 58:10, NIV

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 st – 3 rd Grade	Debbie Vincent & Holly Edwards	#111
Ages 9-10 / 4 th -5 th Grade	Chip Johnson & Gregg Quick	#107
Jr. High / 6 th -8 th Grade	Richard Zak & Steve Pothoven	#105
Sr. High / 9 th -12 th 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

It's the middle of the month already and the kids are back in school, election season is upon us and the economy continues to struggle. For a Christian it is a great time to rejoice in our Faith, to practice what we preach, and to take seriously the challenge Pastor John set before us in last week's message on Christian citizenship which includes casting our ballots. So many times we have heard folks say my vote does not affect the election. We may have been one of them! Let me put this thought before you: if that were the case, why do politicians put so much money out trying to get your vote? (Just food for thought.) As the Walden Sunday school class studies the Epistle to the Hebrews, it has become very clear that God expects certain characteristics and behavior from we Christians. These attributes are reflected in our Faith, our relationship to our Lord Jesus Christ, our Worship, and the character of our relationship before those who are not yet safe in the family of God. The bottom line: our life style.

The study today starts in chapter 11 of Hebrews, "The great faith chapter." It is fitting that the Holy Spirit should direct the author of the epistle to instruct on faith after the teachings of the past 10 chapters. This study is not an abstract teaching but is very personal for every Christian, everywhere, and in every age! The teachings of the past 10 chapters are intellectual assent in nature, which is very good. But intellectual assent needs power to sustain it. It needs faith. A faith that is sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Faith is absolutely certain that what it believes is true and what it expects will come. It is the hope which looks forward with conviction and not wishful thinking. It's the gift from God that all believers receive, not blindly, but with proofs from God's word, life experiences, and the testimony of God's people from past, present, and our own life. Praise God! It's going to be a great study and you need to be in class today! In preparation for class, read all of Hebrews chapter 11, and receive the blessing of God's word as it fills your heart with joy!

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 ~ Aug. 15 – 21

SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am

TUESDAY: Youth Service Project @ the Toenes'
10 am

Session Meeting, 7 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY: Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am



August 26: Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

September 6: Labor Day; *Church Office Closed*

September 14: Session Meeting, 7 pm

SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 120

Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,538.30

*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:	Jamie Dalton	AJ Johnson	Ashley Johnson
Next Week:	Donna Waugh	Amanda Waugh	Kaela Dalton
Aug. 29:	Laura Strickland	Grace Keen	Lesley McKenzie

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

Nursery & Coffee Volunteers

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
Today:	Hannah Johnson	Larry Dickey
Next Week:	Anna Claire Lambers	Randa Gravanti
Aug. 29:	Adrienne Lambers	Ron & Marilyn Quick

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Tami Pothoven 8/4	Servy Fernandez 8/19
Ken Smith, Jr. 8/6	Brittany Connolly 8/19
Bill Bergen 8/8	Judy Vander Ploeg 8/22
Heather McFarland 8/10	Danny Carrillo 8/24
Carolyn Keen 8/12	Don Vander Ploeg 8/26
Maggie Groomes 8/14	Larry Dickey 8/29
Steve Pothoven 8/17	Juanita Shreve 8/30

Anniversaries

Richard & Sarah Zak 8/7
Frank & Connie Frail 8/16
Al & Debbie Vincent 8/26

Prayer Requests

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

- Jon Irwin (MD)
- Bill Bergen (lump in neck; cancer)

Pray for those seeking employment or better employment:

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

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

E-mail: prayer-list@lists.seminolepca.org