

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**August 22, 2010**  
**Thirteenth 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**

*Cantabile - Chopin*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalm 24*

**Leader:** The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;

**People:** **for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.**

**Leader:** Who may ascend the hill of the LORD ? Who may stand in his holy place?

**People:** **He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.**

**Leader:** He will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God his Savior.

**People:** **Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**People:** **Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.**

**Leader:** Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**ALL:** **Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*To God Be the Glory*  
Hymn #55

**\*\* 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>14</sup>Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

## 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>3</sup>At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. <sup>4</sup>But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup>he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup>whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup>so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. <sup>8</sup>This is a trustworthy saying. And I want you to stress these things, so that those who have trusted in God may be careful to devote themselves to doing what is good. These things are excellent and profitable for everyone.

Titus 3:3-8

## **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**

*This Is My Father's World*  
Hymn #111

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

<sup>5</sup> The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. <sup>6</sup> The LORD protects the simplehearted; when I was in great need, he saved me. <sup>7</sup> Be at rest once more, O my soul, for the LORD has been good to you.

Psalm 116:5-7

### **The Offertory** *O God Beyond All Telling*

*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**  
*Blessed Assurance*  
Hymn #693

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*\* 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



### *Choir Practice*

Choir Practice has resumed and it is not too late to join. They meet Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the choir room. (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.



### *Thank you*

Grace Morton wishes to express her gratitude to her church family for all the prayers, cards, and kindnesses shown to her in the loss of her sister, Mildred Wyatt. Mildred is greatly missed, but Grace rejoices knowing that Mildred is now with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Being a part of a caring church family is a great comfort to Grace at this time.

# *Upcoming<sup>New</sup> Christian Education Classes* *Beginning September 5*

## *Adult Classes*

**Outreach** - As Christians we are called to reach out in word and deed, both in our culture and cross-culturally. Jesus commands us, not only to love our neighbor as ourselves, but to be His witnesses to those culturally close to us and to those culturally distant (Acts 1:8). The apostle Peter also wrote that we are to always be prepared to give a gentle account for the hope that is in us. So, join us as we study the basic foundations of Outreach: mercy, evangelism and missions. Why evangelize? How and when do I show mercy? How can I be part of missions? These questions and more will be discussed as elder Randy Johnson provides an overview of the subject of Outreach as it relates to our personal Christian walk and the work of the Church.

**Church History 2: The Reformation to the Present** - What were the causes of the Protestant Reformation? Are the issues still valid today? How does the Reformation impact our daily lives as Christians? This class will study the history of the Western Church from the Reformation to today. Our emphasis will be on the Holy Spirit's protection of the Church in the face of struggles over denominational divisions and secular thinking. Come join elder Joe DeNitto for this informative class.

## *Youth Classes*

**Middle School: The Ten Commandments** - Led by Danny Dalton, this is the third of four classes as we proceed through the Westminster Shorter Catechism. (Though, don't worry! They do not have to be taken in order.) The first two classes asked the question, "What are we to believe?" These final two classes ask, "What does God require of us?" Specifically, this class looks at one of the best known summaries of God's Law, the Ten Commandments. We will study questions #41, 42, 46, 50, 54, 58, 61, 64, 68, 71, 74, 77, 80 and 82. Students will be challenged to memorize four of these questions (41, 42, 61, and 82). We welcome our new group of 6th graders!

**High School: Theology 201: Christ and Salvation** - Led by Ben Lambers, this is the second of four classes as we study the Westminster Confession of Faith. They do not have to be taken in order. This document is the best summary of what Scripture teaches. Therefore, this class is a great way to get a concise and precise summary of Sacred Scripture, especially pertaining to the person and work of Jesus Christ and how he accomplished salvation for His people. This class covers chapters 8-15 and students will be challenged to complete weekly homework. Let us all remember, the goal of teaching theology is maturity, not simply knowledge. Maturity always leads to application of this knowledge to life (from the head to the heart to the hands). Come join us!

# Christian Education – Adult & Youth

## *Christian Education – All Ages*

Class/Grade	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
Adult – Walden Class	Bill Earnest	#108
Adult – Parables of Jesus	Steve Strickland	#102

## *Middle & High School Student Class 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 Class Descriptions***

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

*Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest*

Today in the Walden adult Sunday school class, we will continue in the eleventh chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews. There are so many facets of our faith to study. It's like a diamond that has been cut by a master craftsman with facets that glitter in the light. Once in a while, we need to look at the beautiful faith God has crafted in us and see what He has done to polish us for His service! Over the years we grow in faith without taking the time to review where we have been and how far we have come in our relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ. There is a caution here. I once was told the story of an old spider which had become "well fed" over the summer. One day he was looking at his web and decided it was time to get rid of the silk which was (at least in his mind) not needed any longer. He looked up at one single thread that ran up above his web; "I certainly don't need that old silk anymore", he said to himself; and he cut it! Oh, you guessed it, down came his entire web, for that old silk was the first thread he had spun when he created his web so many months ago. It was the anchor that supported his entire web!

We don't want that same mishap to befall us in our walk with Christ. There may come a time when we are called upon to give the reason for the Hope we have in Christ. In light of the news out of Iran and Afghanistan in the recent past we have even more reason to stand firm in our Christian principles. We do live in a world that despises Christ. You may wish to ask yourself these three questions: 1.) What experiences do I have?, 2.) What knowledge have I gained of God?, and 3.) What witnesses have been in my life, that have given me assurances and the confidence that my Faith, as a Christian, is founded on solid footing?

Class starts at 10:45 am, room 108 in the Snyder building. BE THERE! God bless.

### **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. 22 – 28**

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- FRIDAY:** Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am



- September 6:** Labor Day; *Church Office Closed*
- September 14:** Session Meeting, 7 pm

**SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 112

Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,541.01

*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:	Donna Waugh	Amanda Waugh	Kaela Dalton
Next Week:	Jamie Dalton	Grace Keen	Lesley McKenzie
Sept. 5:	Cathy Armstrong	Cameron Pothoven	Peter Chang

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

## *Nursery & Coffee Volunteers*

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
Today:	Anna Claire Lambers	Randa Gravanti
Next Week:	Adrienne Lambers	Ron & Marilyn Quick
Sept. 5:	---	Larry OR R&M 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

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