

Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
August 29, 2010
Fourteenth 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

Prelude in A Major - Fredric Chopin

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 29: 1, 2, & 9

- Leader:** Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD
glory and strength.
- People:** Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the
LORD in the splendor of his holiness.
- ALL:** The voice of the LORD twists the oaks and strips the
forests bare. And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Hallelujah! Thine the Glory
Hymn #179

**** 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

⁴John, To the seven churches in the province of Asia: Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen. ⁷Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen.

Revelation 1:4-7

The Confession of Our Sins & Assurance of Pardon

“Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who reigns eternally with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forevermore, Amen.”

The Second Scripture Lesson

⁹But avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless. ¹⁰Warn a divisive person once, and then warn him a second time. After that, have nothing to do with him. ¹¹You may be sure that such a man is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned. ¹²As soon as I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, because I have decided to winter there. ¹³Do everything you can to help Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way and see that they have everything they need. ¹⁴Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order that they may provide for daily necessities and not live unproductive lives. ¹⁵Everyone with me sends you greetings. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.

Titus 3:9-15

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.

The Anthem

God of Grace and God of Glory - arr. Hughes

God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy pow'r.
Crown Thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage for the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christlike graces in the fight to set men free;
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage that we fail not man nor Thee,
That we fail not man nor Thee.
God of grace and glory!

**** Offertory Hymn**

Like a River Glorious

Hymn #699

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

¹I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church in Cenchrea. ²I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints and to give her any help she may need from you, for she has been a great help to many people, including me.

Romans 16:1-2

The Offertory

Grace Greater Than All Our Sin w/ Amazing Grace –
arr. Linda McKechnie

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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**

The Church's One Foundation

Hymn #347

(v. 1-4, only)

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful w/ Praise God and To God Be the Glory –

arr. Linda McKechnie

*** 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

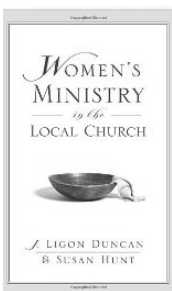
If you have any urgent or emergency needs on Fridays, please feel free to contact Ruling Elder Chip Johnson at (813) 857-3915.

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

Officer Nominations - This is the Last Sunday we will be collecting SPC Officer Nominations for the offices of Ruling Elder and/or Deacon! Please find a ballot inserted in today's bulletin. Place your completed ballot in the offering plate.



You Are Invited - All men and women are invited to attend a very special Presbytery meeting at Tampa Bay Presbyterian in New Tampa on **Saturday, September 11 beginning at 8:30 AM**. The meeting will begin with a time of worship, in which pastor and author Dr. J. Ligon Duncan will be preaching. Immediately after worship, there will be a one hour forum where Dr. Duncan will speak on his book, *Women's Ministry in the Local Church*, in which he presents a covenantal and complementarian view of women. Our own

Danny Dalton has put a lot of time and effort into arranging for Dr. Duncan to come and speak on this very worthwhile topic. *All are truly welcomed and encouraged to attend.* Doors will open at 8:00 am and the meeting will begin at 8:30 am. The forum will conclude by 10:30 am, at which time any visitors are free to stay for the remainder of the presbytery meeting or be on their way. *Tampa Bay Presbyterian is located at: 19911 Bruce B. Downs Blvd, Tampa FL 33647.*



This is Culture Tap! - Join us as we tap into themes of philosophy, worldviews, faith, and relationships as they are used in film. On **Saturday, September 25**, we will meet at Bryan and Jackie Toenes' house beginning at **6:00 pm** for a time of fellowship, film selection at 7:00 pm, and discussion following the film. One and all are welcome to join in the

fun and discussions (and don't worry, our TV volume goes way past eleven!). Call Jackie or Bryan Toenes for more details, to RSVP, or for directions: 732-1508.

Save the Date- We are planning our Third Annual Fall Fellowship for **Sunday evening (5 – 8 pm), October 24**. Pencil in the date and stay tuned for more details!



Service at Metropolitan Ministries Holiday Tent - On **Saturday, November 20 from 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm**, we will be bringing a group of 25 to serve in the Holiday Tent. **Early sign-up required!** (*Metropolitan Ministries really needs Spanish speakers. So if you are bilingual, please be sure to sign up.*)

Also, we will be bringing three additional people to serve in the **Holiday Tent Chapel**. Metropolitan Ministries views this as the heartbeat of the tent and the place where true Hope should be found. What are we looking for? We need a couple volunteers who are prayer warriors. You should feel comfortable praying with the clients, listening, encouraging, and maybe pointing them to resources (people and things) which can provide additional assistance. During our shift, SPC will be staffing the Chapel. **Please call or email Danny Dalton if you are interested in serving either in the tent or the chapel.**



Our Condolences - We offer our deepest Christian sympathy to Bill and Ruth Alboth on the death of Bill's sister, Mrs. Irene Lewis, who passed away last Friday, August 20 at her home on Fern Street. Irene suffered from congestive heart failure and a number of other ailments for several years, and although she was not a member of our church, she often attended the Sunday school class taught by RE Bill Earnest. Please pray for Bill and Ruth, as well as Irene's children and extended family members, as they grieve over the loss of a beloved sister, mother, and friend.

New *Upcoming 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 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
Adult – Walden Class	Bill Earnest	#108
Adult – Parables of Jesus	Steve Strickland	#102

Adult Class Descriptions

Walden Class - Room 108

Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest

The author of the Epistle to the Hebrews has taken Old Testament men and women and placed them before us as examples of people who followed God. Verse 6 of chapter 11 says: "And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him. Hebrews goes on to say in the same chapter: "These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better for us, for we have seen the Savior, so together with us, they will be made perfect" (paraphrased).

As we look at the lives of those from the Old Testament, we come to realize that God used people just like us to reveal to the world His saving grace. For any who may think that they are too far gone for God to care about, these Old Testament examples will prove otherwise! It will be an exciting class today; don't miss a minute of being with your Church family for study! In preparation for class, read Hebrews chapter 11:5-40.

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. 29 – Sept. 4

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

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 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: 134
Last Sunday's Offering: \$5,256.95
*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:	Jamie Dalton	Grace Keen	Lesley McKenzie
Next Week:	Cathy Armstrong	Cameron Pothoven	Patrick Chang
Sept. 12:	Andrea Cawley	Kate Melendi	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:	Raquel Fernandez	Ron & Marilyn Quick
Next Week:	Judy Kneeshaw	Larry Dickey
Sept. 12:	Donna Waugh	Brian Waugh

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)
- Connie Frail (infection)
- Jean Glaze
- Preston Kneeshaw (upcoming knee replacement)

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

Other Prayer/Praise:

- Prayer for the Koehler's as they transition to Tennessee
- Praise for the healing of Mark Jacobson (Bryan Toenes' cousin)

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