

# **Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**

## **September 27, 2009**

### **Seventeenth 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**

*Abide w/ Me*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

### **Call to Worship**

*Revelation 5:11-14*

**Leader:** Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders.

**People:** **In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"**

**Leader:** Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

**ALL:** **The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Worship Christ the Risen King*  
Hymn #286

**\*\* 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**

Then Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain and said, "This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites."

Exodus 19:3-6

## The Confession of Our Sins

*"Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen."*

## The Second Scripture Lesson

Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him. It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. Therefore, as it is written: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

I Corinthians 1:26-31

## 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**

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**

*Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*  
Hymn #188

**\*\* Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**  
Deacon Stan Wildeboer

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:1-4

## 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

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 2:7-10

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

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Trust and Obey*  
Hymn #672  
**(vs. 1, 3, and 5 only)**

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* - arr. G. Smith

## *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.*

## **Exploring Church Membership Class Beginning October 11**

What is the church? What does it mean to be a member of a church, and specifically this church-Seminole PCA? Beginning Sunday morning October 11, during the Sunday school hour, Ruling Elder Randy Johnson will be answering these questions and many more about membership. Attending this ten week class does not require that one become a member, but this class or its equivalent is required for membership. So, please sign-up with Randy Johnson or our Associate Pastor Danny Dalton.

### Details:

- This class has ten sessions, beginning October 11 and ending December 20.
- There will be no class on Thanksgiving weekend (November 29)
- If it is necessary that you miss a class, Randy or Danny will work with you to make up the material.
- If you have a middle school or high school student please see Danny Dalton, as he will be offering a similar class for that age group.

## **Student Ministries News**

We have another opportunity to exercise our faith by serving others **this Saturday, October 3 from 8:30 am-12:30 pm**, meeting at the St. Paul Campus. Therefore, let's get together and serve a few families in our church by helping with some good 'ole yard work. Remember to wear clothes that can get dirty and to bring a sack lunch, water bottle, work gloves, sunscreen, plus some bush clippers if you have them. And don't forget, your notarized Med/Release form is required! See Danny Dalton for more details.

# SPC Family Matters

- **Thank you** – Jack and Jean Glaze would like to express their appreciation for all those that prayed for and assisted them over the past few weeks.
- **Ladies Bible Study** - All women are invited to participate in a new bible study taught by Diane Keen. The study is held Tuesday evenings at the Keen's home from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. Call Diane for more details: (813.758.7177).
- **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!
- **Save the Date, Fall Fellowship** – We are 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!
- **Triathlon News** - Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 24 when SPC's tri-athletes 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 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.

## Parking Guidelines

In order to accommodate two congregations sharing the same space on Sunday mornings, we ask that everyone please park along either side of Central Avenue unless you fall into one of these categories below, in which case you may park in the parking lot:

- Persons with disabilities (please only use the spaces to the right of the sidewalk)
- Elderly (and others with walking difficulties)
- One parent traveling alone with small children
- First-time visitors

Please address any questions to one of the ushers or deacons.

# 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 are small groups from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the home of Servy & Raquel Fernandez. The groups are 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*

After fellowship time this morning come and join the Walden adult Sunday School class in room 102 as we continue our study in the book of Judges. Today we will look at the continuing story of Micah and his idols. There is "Treachery A Foot" as the tribe of Dan and the Levite priest conspire to steal Micah's house hold gods and idols. We will learn what happened to the tribe of Dan and how God works in the age of Judges when every man did what was right in his own eyes. There are comparisons in this story to our own day. Come, we need your input and spiritual experience to enhance our study so all of us will be better able to give the reason for the joy that lies within us!

### **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.

## This Week at SPC ~ September 27 – October 3

**SUNDAY:**

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

MS & HS Studies @ Servy & Raquel Fernandez' home; 5:30 pm

**TUEDAY:**

Ladies Bible Study @ Diane Keen's home; 7:30 pm

**WEDNESDAY:**

Choir Practice, 7:45 pm

**FRIDAY:**

Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am

**SATURDAY:**

MS/HS Youth Service Project,  
8:30am

Culture Tap @ the Toenes', 6 pm

## Coming Events

October 6: Session Meeting, 7 pm

### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 160

Last Sunday's Offering: \$8,784.10

*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***

	<b><u>Teacher</u></b>	<b><u>Helper</u></b>	<b><u>Banner Bearer</u></b>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Chip Johnson</i>	<i>A.J. Johnson</i>	<i>Ashley Johnson</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>	<i>Emily Johnson</i>	<i>Bryson Pothoven</i>
<i>Oct. 11</i>	<i>Donna Waugh</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>	<i>Mikayla Koehler</i>

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

## ***Nursery Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Kourtney Melendi</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Adrienne Lambers</i>
<i>Oct. 11</i>	<i>Carolyn Keen</i>

## ***Coffee Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Ron &amp; Marilyn Quick</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh &amp; DJ Koehler</i>
<i>Oct. 11</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</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)
- Ida Masco (mother of Mary Earnest; pancreatic cancer)
- Noah Koehler (surgery recovery)

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

- Elaine Crescent
- Bill Bergen
- Amarnath Boodoosingh

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

# Sermon Notes