

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**February 21, 2010**  
**First Sunday in Lent**

*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**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*  
*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

### **Call to Worship**

*Psalms 150*

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

**People: Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.**

Leader: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,

**People: praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute,**

Leader: praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

**ALL: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Praise Him! Praise Him!*  
Hymn #173

**\*\* 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>6</sup>"A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If I am a father, where is the honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?" says the LORD Almighty. "It is you, O priests, who show contempt for my name. "But you ask, 'How have we shown contempt for your name?' <sup>7</sup>"You place defiled food on my altar. "But you ask, 'How have we defiled you?' "By saying that the LORD's table is contemptible. <sup>8</sup>"When you bring blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice crippled or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?" says the LORD Almighty. <sup>9</sup>"Now implore God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?"-says the LORD Almighty. <sup>10</sup>"Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you," says the LORD Almighty, "and I will accept no offering from your hands. <sup>11</sup>My name will be great among the nations, from the rising to the setting of the sun. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to my name, because my name will be great among the nations," says the LORD Almighty. <sup>12</sup>"But you profane it by saying of the Lord's table, 'It is defiled,' and of its food, 'It is contemptible.' <sup>13</sup>And you say, 'What a burden!' and you sniff at it contemptuously," says the LORD Almighty. "When you bring injured, crippled or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?" says the LORD. <sup>14</sup>"Cursed is the cheat who has an acceptable male in his flock and vows to give it, but then sacrifices a blemished animal to the Lord. For I am a great king," says the LORD Almighty, "and my name is to be feared among the nations.

Malachi 1:6-14

## **The Confession of Our Sins & Assurance of Pardon**

*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*

### **Special Music**

#### **The Second Scripture Lesson**

<sup>1</sup>To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: <sup>2</sup>Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; <sup>3</sup>not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup>And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. <sup>5</sup>Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." <sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

**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**

*Come Unto Me - Nickel*

Come unto Me if you're weak and laden,  
if you're weak and laden,  
I'll give you rest.

Take My yoke, My yoke upon you,  
Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me.  
For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

Come unto Me if you're weak and laden,  
if you're weak and laden, I'll give you rest,  
for My yoke is easy and My burden is light.  
Come unto Me.  
I will give you rest.

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**  
*O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!*  
Hymn #535

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

<sup>18</sup>On that day Gad went to David and said to him, "Go up and build an altar to the LORD on the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite." <sup>19</sup>So David went up, as the LORD had commanded through Gad. <sup>20</sup>When Araunah looked and saw the king and his men coming toward him, he went out and bowed down before the king with his face to the ground. <sup>21</sup>Araunah said, "Why has my lord the king come to his servant?" "To buy your threshing floor," David answered, "so I can build an altar to the LORD, that the plague on the people may be stopped." <sup>22</sup>Araunah said to David, "Let my lord the king take whatever pleases him and offer it up. Here are oxen for the burnt offering, and here are threshing sledges and ox yokes for the wood. <sup>23</sup>O king, Araunah gives all this to the king." Araunah also said to him, "May the LORD your God accept you." <sup>24</sup>But the king replied to Araunah, "No, I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the LORD my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen and paid fifty shekels of silver for them.

II Samuel 24:18-24

**The Offertory**

*Blessed Assurance/Chopin Fantasie Impromptu*  
- arr. G. Smith

*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**

*He Leadeth Me; O Blessed Thought!*

Hymn #600

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Pasticcio - Jean Langlais*

*\*\* 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**

- **Easter Choir** - Those wishing to join the choir for Easter are encouraged to join us beginning **THIS Wednesday, February 24** at 7:45 pm through March 31 (six weeks) as we prepare for the Easter season. (Choir practice is held in the church office/manse.) See Danny Compher for more details.
- **Mrs. Marian Smith** - We have learned that Mrs. Marian Smith, long-time SPC member and mother to Ken Smith, is now living at an assisted living facility in Tampa. Marian would very much enjoy company, visits, etc., so please take the opportunity to become acquainted (or reacquainted) with this delightful Christian woman! The name and address of Marian's new residence is as follows:

Alexa House  
8615 Hulsey  
Tampa, FL 33634

While visiting Marian, also be sure to stop by and say "hello" to Servy Fernandez' mother, Mrs. Mercedes Fernandez, who also resides at the Alexa House.

# Ministry Opportunities / Needs

Hey Seminole! Each of us, with our individual talents and abilities, make up the larger Body of Christ here at SPC. In other words, we need each other to make our church “work.” In that spirit, here are a few ways you can serve at SPC:



- **VBS Coordination Team** – Several women have stepped forward to assist with the planning of this year’s VBS, and it seems the “coordinator” role will transform into a Coordination Team. More team members are needed if we are to have a VBS this year. If you are interested in serving on this team, please let

Jackie Toenes know ASAP so the VBS team can be assembled and set to work. Summer will be here before you know it!

- **Hall Monitor(s)** – We are still looking for several people to help in this area. Since our fellowship time overlaps a portion of St. Paul’s Sunday School, it is very important to keep the hallways as quiet as possible. Rob Edwards and DJ Koehler have been handling this task without help for several months now. These men need help! Hall Monitors can be men or women of any age. Please contact either Rob (884-4321) or DJ (929-1544) if you can help with this ministry area.



**Donut Team** - We are still looking for a few more people to join a rotating team that will assist with picking up donuts on Sunday morning. As a



volunteer, you would be assigned a month to serve. Every Sunday in that month, you would pick up the donuts between 8 am and 8:30 am at the Publix on Hillsborough Ave. & Habana Ave. and then bring them to the coffee team in the Snyder building so that team can cut and distribute the donuts prior to worship. Please contact Jackie Toenes to volunteer or for more information.

- **Easter Breakfast** – Details are coming together for Easter Morning and we will need a few people to assist with putting food on platters and cleaning up following breakfast (our friends at St. Paul will assist us with setting up the breakfast). If you can help with this area, please let Jackie Toenes know so that we can start ironing out the details of this morning.



# SPC Events

- **Church Workday** – On **Saturday, March 6** beginning at **8:00am**, there will be a church workday to spruce up the campus. Our deacons are planning to install a sidewalk in front of the church office, plant some bushes around the playground, trim hedges, pull weeds, and a few other projects. See any deacon for more information.



- **Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service** - Please make plans to join us for a very special worship service on **Maundy Thursday, April 1**. The worship service will begin at **7:00pm** in the Sanctuary.

- **Church Picnic** – This year, we will be separating the church spring picnic and the canoe trip into two individual events. So, please join in our Church Picnic on **Saturday, April 17** at **Lowry Park** where we will enjoy a time of fellowship and food around **12:00pm**. We will be located in shelter #120, just off of North Boulevard. Directions and more details will follow soon. *If you can help grill or assist, please let Jackie Toenes know.*



- **Church Canoe Trip** – We are tentatively planning the annual church canoe trip for **Saturday, May 22**. The day will begin with a canoe launch at **9:30am** from **Wilderness Park – Morris Bridge**. We will canoe 4 miles downstream to **Wilderness Park – Trout Creek** where we will join in a time of fellowship around **12:00pm**. More details will follow soon. *If you are interested in canoeing, it is not to early to sign up as church canoe space is limited. Please RSVP if you plan to attend and/or need a spot on a church canoe!*



# 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 & Jane Lambers	#111
Ages 6-8 / 1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Debbie Vincent w/ Cathy Armstrong	#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	Jamie Dalton/Brian Waugh	#105
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven	#101

## *Youth Sunday School Descriptions*

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

*Teachers: Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven*

**Discovering God's Kingdom Purpose (introduction to missions):** I warn you, do not take this course if you wish to remain a comfortable Christian! This is a course on world missions. That means it is about God and what God is doing. Our goal is to discover that missions is not only for missionaries, but the whole church. Therefore, our desire is not to transform you into a missionary per se, (though we are certainly open to that) but to inspire you and motivate you to action on behalf of your part in world missions. Don't miss out on the adventure! We will be looking at missions from a theological, historical, strategic, and cultural perspective.

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

*Teacher: Jamie Dalton/Brian Waugh*

**Promises, Promises (all about the Covenant):** Have you ever made a promise and kept it? Have you ever broke a promise? In this course we will see that God made a promise to save His people. He calls this promise a covenant. A covenant is like an agreement between two or more people. However, the good news is that even when we broke our end of the covenant, God didn't break his part. In fact, through Jesus Christ, he kept both his part and our part! Salvation is all of God and Jesus is the ultimate covenant keeper. Come and learn the story of God working out this Good News in history! (*Great Commission Publications curriculum*)

## ***Youth Small Groups (Evenings)***

Additionally, for the youth (MS & HS) on Sunday evenings, there are small groups from 5:30 - 7:30 pm to which all middle and high school students are invited. The groups meet at Ben and Jane Lambers' home. For directions or more information, please call the Lambers at 915-9002 or Danny Dalton at 767-7016.

## ***Adult Sunday School***

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

*Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest*

Good morning Seminole family! "How in the world are you?" That was the greeting on the radio as I listened to the broadcast of the Kings Collage each morning while driving to work in Buffalo, New York, so many years ago. On cold winter mornings it was always warming to hear that friendly voice. Pleasant memories of years gone by. The Walden adult Sunday school class is very close to completing our study of Old Testament Judges. Looking back, it has been a good study; one that has challenged us often and is full of good memories. Warm ones that have caused us to grow in faith with our loving Savior. We are in the final weeks, and even though it may appear "not to be a good time to join us", let me assure you the timing has never been better to do just that!

First Samuel chapter 8 is the starting place for class study this morning. If you have not joined an adult Sunday school class, this is a great place to "jump in", for this is the very point in Hebrew history where the Israelites reject God as their King and seek a human king as a substitute. The people tell Samuel, "you're old", they accuse his sons of improprieties, and demand a human king! What has this history of 3000 years ago have in the way of relevance for us today? Well, join us for that discussion this morning!

Oh, and don't forget the play, *The O'Lary Factor*, presented by the Walden class players. Props are in, actors are rehearsing, and excitement is in the air! Look for the time, place, and date announcement in this article next week. Get connected, after fellowship time in the Snyder building, walk on down to room 108. We'll be looking for you!

### **Foundations in Reformed Theology – Room 102**

*Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto*

In this class we will be covering topics of theology from a Reformed and Presbyterian perspective using R.C. Sproul's book, *Essential Truths of the Christian Faith*. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in Adult Sunday School Room 102 for this new class. It could bring enlightenment and understanding to your view of theology, God & the Bible. This class will run from January 10th through March 28th.



# Volunteers

## *Children's Worship Volunteers*

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Chip Johnson	A.J. Johnson	Kaela Dalton
Next Week:	Delie Koehler	Nicholas Lambers	Noah Koehler
March 7:	Gail Chang	Cameron Pothoven	Patrick Chang

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

## *Nursery & Coffee Volunteers*

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
Today:	Grace Keen	Larry Dickey
Next Week:	Shannon Pothoven	Randa Gravanti
March 7:	Adrienne Lambers	Ron & Marilyn Quick

# February Birthdays & Anniversaries

## *Birthdays*

Mildred Allen 2/2	Connie Trim 2/13
Rob Edwards 2/2	Chip Johnson 2/22
Jackie Toenes 2/7	Sarah Zak 2/22
Grace Keen 2/9	Pam Irwin 2/22
Lois Callen 2/12	Sadie Edwards 2/25
Alex Johnson 2/13	Mikayla Koehler 2/26
Nora Fernandez 2/13	Danny Dalton 2/26

## *Anniversaries*

Steve & Eva White 2/20
Johnny & Glenda Fellows 2/21
John & Marilyn Horst 2/28

## Prayer Requests

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

- Jon Irwin (MD)
- Dave Hawes (surgery recovery)

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

- Elaine Crescent (a more permanent position)
- Amarnath Boodoosingh
- Matthew Mattice

### **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, Eva White.
- Pray for the safety of our presbytery supported missionary in Haiti, Esaie Etienne, as he stays in Haiti to minister. Pray for his wife and children who are now stateside and trying to rebuild their lives following this devastation.
- Pray for the Dalton's Winter Haven home to sell quickly!

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