

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.**  
**May 1, 2011**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

*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**

*Seek Ye First/Pachelbel Canon - Gail Smith*  
*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**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

Hymn #297

## **\*\* 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>1</sup> I said, “I will watch my ways and keep my tongue from sin; I will put a muzzle on my mouth as long as the wicked are in my presence.” <sup>2</sup> But when I was silent and still, not even saying anything good, my anguish increased. <sup>3</sup> My heart grew hot within me, and as I meditated, the fire burned; then I spoke with my tongue: <sup>4</sup> “Show me, O LORD, my life’s end and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting is my life. <sup>5</sup> You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you. Each man’s life is but a breath. <sup>6</sup> Man is a mere phantom as he goes to and fro: He bustles about, but only in vain; he heaps up wealth, not knowing who will get it. <sup>7</sup> “But now, Lord, what do I look for? My hope is in you. <sup>8</sup> Save me from all my transgressions; do not make me the scorn of fools.

Psalm 39:1-8

Leader: The Word of the Lord  
People: Thanks be to God

## **The Confession of Our Sins**

*“Almighty Father; we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused, that make it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves. Lord, have mercy and forgive us through Jesus Christ, who reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, One God forevermore, Amen.”*

Paul E. Engle, *Baker's Worship Handbook*,  
Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1998

## **Assurance of Pardon**

## **Musical Offering**

## The Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>13</sup> “Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. <sup>14</sup> But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it. <sup>15</sup> “Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. <sup>16</sup> By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup> Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup> A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup> Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup> Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them. <sup>21</sup> “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>22</sup> Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?’ <sup>23</sup> Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’ <sup>24</sup> “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. <sup>26</sup> But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” <sup>28</sup> When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, <sup>29</sup> because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

Matthew 7:13-29

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord  
**People:** Thanks be to God

## 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

## The Third Scripture Lesson

<sup>8</sup> So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. <sup>12</sup> That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet I am not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day. <sup>13</sup> What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us. <sup>15</sup> You know that everyone in the province of Asia has deserted me, including Phygelus and Hermogenes. <sup>16</sup> May the Lord show mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, because he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains. <sup>17</sup> On the contrary, when he was in Rome, he searched hard for me until he found me. <sup>18</sup> May the Lord grant that he will find mercy from the Lord on that day! You know very well in how many ways he helped me in Ephesus.

II Timothy 1:8-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord  
People: **Thanks be to God**

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**  
*Now Thank We All Our God*  
Hymn #98

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

<sup>9</sup> “Then will I purify the lips of the peoples, that all of them may call on the name of the LORD and serve him shoulder to shoulder. <sup>10</sup> From beyond the rivers of Cush my worshipers, my scattered people, will bring me offerings.

Zephaniah 3:9-10

### **The Offertory**

*Holy, Holy, Holy - Cindy Berry*

*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**  
*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
Hymn #252

**The Words of Institution**  
**&**  
**The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*  
Hymn #571

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Now Thank We All Our God - Karg-Elert*

*\*\* 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

**VBS 2011 Registration Ends Today!** Children ages 3-11 are invited to meet up with Jesus June 20-24 from 9am-12pm at our SonSurf Beach Bash. Orange registration forms are available at each entrance to the sanctuary. Don't wait! Please return the completed forms to the green "VBS Registration Return" folder in the narthex or to Kelly Fernandez no later than today, May 1st.



**Parenting Class Interest** – The Christian Education Committee is trying to gauge if there is a strong enough interest for a parenting class. The class would most likely be in a small group format and conducted on a day/time other than Sunday morning. If you would be interested in such a class, please indicate this interest by leaving a voice message on the church's main phone: 813-774-3881 or by emailing the church at: [church@seminolepca.org](mailto:church@seminolepca.org)

**Church Canoe Trip; Saturday, May 7 @ 9:30 am** – All spaces are now full! Those not canoeing are welcome to join in a "bring your own lunch" fellowship around 12:00 pm at *Wilderness Park – Trout Creek* in the River Shelter (closest to the river). Also, if you have your own canoe, you are more than welcome to join the SPC Flotilla (just let Jackie know you're interested in being a part)! Contact Jackie Toenes with questions and/or directions: 220-4095.



## Our Bay St. Louis Missions Team Needs Your Help!!!

*The Team needs to raise enough support to get them to Mississippi (and back again) this coming June. There are ways you can help them achieve this goal:*



**Gas Can Tree** – Say What? Yes! It is true and the only one known in existence (well, at least at Seminole). A gas can tree! We invite you to pull a gas can (marked with the number of miles you would like to sponsor) off the tree found in the fellowship area of the Snyder building, then submit the donation to the church office, designating it for the Bay St. Louis team. (This is donation is tax deductible.) Or, if you'd like to get a little more bang for your buck our students ...



Youth on the team are willing to **WORK** in order to **EARN** money for miles. Isn't that cool? So if you have any yard work, cleaning, painting, car washing, baby sitting, or other odd jobs for a high school age student, please give Danny a call (or send an email) and he will put you in contact with the parents of a student team member who wants to work. *\*NOTE:* We do recommend (when possible) that the students work in pairs, and we suggest a minimum donation of \$10/hour. Please make payment directly to SPC (vs. the student). (This donation is not tax deductible as services are exchanged for payment.)

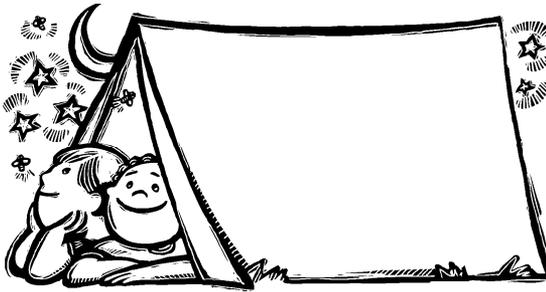
Contact Danny Dalton @ 813-767-7016 or  
ddalton@seminolepca.org

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**Miles To Go!!!**

**We Need Your Help!**

**Memorial Day Fun @ the Pothoven's - Seminole!** Once again the Pothoven's would like to host their annual Memorial Day open house swim Monday, May 30 from 10a-4p. Come sit and relax, visit with friends while your kids swim, or take a dip yourself. Light appetizers will be served throughout the day. No RSVP necessary. The fun will be at: 10274 Oasis Palm Drive, Tampa, 33615.



**Middle School Camp at Kulaqua 2011 - July 18-22** - Though the registration brochures are not available yet, we do know the cost for camp. See below. If your Middle School child (upcoming 5th graders & outgoing 8th graders included) is interested in attending camp this year, please notify Danny Dalton: 767-7016 or [ddalton@seminolepca.org](mailto:ddalton@seminolepca.org).

*Cost per Student:*

Before June 01:	\$335.00 (early bird)
Before June 27:	\$360.00 (regular)
On/After June 27:	\$385.00 (late)

## Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

### Prayer/Praise:

- Preston Kneeshaw (tumor/kidney cancer; surgery recovery)
- Rogelio Echevarría (Raquel Fernandez's father; health issues/surgery recovery)
- Mission Project: Bay St. Louis; June 11-18, 2011

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

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| ▪ Elaine Crescent      | ▪ Amelia Boodoosingh        |
| ▪ Amarnath Boodoosingh | ▪ Dan Fernandez (part-time) |

### Pray for our missionaries:

- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS in Papua New Guinea
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF

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

## Christian Education ~ Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson	#115
Ages 4-5 / K4-K5	Laura Strickland & Jane Lambers	#109
Ages 6-8 / 1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Debbie Vincent & Tami Pothoven	#111
Ages 9-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Alex & Kelly Fernandez	#105
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Richard Zak	#107
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Randy Johnson	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Bill Earnest	#108
Adult – Christian, What Do You Believe?	Bryan Toenes	Church Office
Adult – Life & Teaching of Paul	Danny Dalton	#102

## *Adult Classes*

### **Walden Class – Update - Room 108**

*Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest*

We return to our normal Sunday school schedule this morning. Before giving the update on where we are in our study, I want to take a moment to express our concern and love for those in our church family who are going through troubled waters. There are some in the Walden class, as well as others throughout our congregation, hurting right now. We love you, we pray for you, and we care for you. May the love of Christ sustain you in the days and weeks ahead.

1 John 3:18 is given to God's people as a reminder of who we are and what we do; "Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." For those of us who are doing ok, it is the love of Christ that carries us to reach out to those who are hurting and show love with action, the action that says: "I love you!"

Jesus Christ is our example, the Bible our guide, the love for God our motivation, and God's Holy Spirit our drive. May we always follow where the Lord leads as a congregation and family of God! See you in class!

### **Christian, What Do You Believe? - Church Office**

*Teacher: Deacon Bryan Toenes*

What are the implications of Christ's ascension into heaven? What are we to believe about his Second Coming? What does the Bible say about the judgment of the living and the dead? Would a loving God really send people to a place like hell? What is the nature of the kingdom of Christ? If you want to find out more, join us this morning as we continue to mine sacred scripture, in the light of the continual witness of the broader Christian tradition, to sharpen our focus on the fundamentals of the faith once delivered to the saints. This class meets in the church office.

### **Life and Teaching of Paul – Room 102**

*Teacher: Associate Pastor Danny Dalton*

This class will study an overview of the Apostle to the Gentiles' life and theology through selections from the book of Acts and Pauline epistles. Topics studied will be Paul's conversion, his three missionary journeys, as well as his imprisonments. We will broadly survey most of his thirteen letters. Come fall more deeply in love with Jesus, the Savior and King whom Paul boldly proclaims. This class will meet in Room 102 of the Snyder Building.

## This Week at SPC ~ May 1 - 7

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am
- MS/HS Youth Small Groups  
@ the Lambers' home, 5:30 pm  
*Providing Snacks: Lambers Family*
- TUESDAY:** Session Meeting, 7 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- FRIDAY:** Seniors' Covenant Group, 10 am
- SATURDAY:** Canoe Trip, 9:30 am



- May 21:** Culture Tap @ the McKenzie's, 6:30 pm
- May 26:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- May 30:** Memorial Day Fun @ the Pothoven's,  
10am – 4 pm

### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 191

Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,036.80

*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:	Cathy Armstrong	Grace Keen	Kaela Dalton
Next Week:	Randa Gravanti	Nicholas Lambers	Sammy Fernandez
May 15:	Donna Waugh	Amanda Waugh	Maggie Groomes

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

## *Nursery & Coffee Volunteers*

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
Today:	TBA	Larry Dickey
Next Week:	TBA	Brian Waugh
May 15:	TBA	Andy Thomson

## May Birthdays & Anniversaries

### *Birthdays*

Bill Earnest 5/4	Elaine Crescent 5/25
Raquel Fernandez 5/10	Kaela Dalton 5/25
Judy Kneeshaw 5/20	Peter Chang 5/26
Kelly Fernandez 5/22	Josh Fernandez 5/30
Olivia White 5/22	

### *Anniversaries*

David & Nancy Gardner 5/6
Todd & Cathy Gartman 5/8
Chip & Deana Johnson 5/9
Jean & Jack Glaze 5/14
Ben & Jane Lambers 5/30

## SERMON NOTES