

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
July 17, 2011
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

*Prelude on hymn tune "Moscow" - Flor Peeters
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

- Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- People: **Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**
- Leader: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- People: **Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.**
- ALL: **For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Hymn #604

**** 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

¹ When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, "Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don't know what has happened to him." ² Aaron answered them, "Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me." ³ So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt." ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, "Tomorrow there will be a festival to the LORD." ⁶ So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry. ⁷ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. ⁸ They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.' ⁹ "I have seen these people," the LORD said to Moses, "and they are a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰ Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation." ¹¹ But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. "O LORD," he said, "why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.'" ¹⁴ Then the LORD relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

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²⁵ Moses saw that the people were running wild and that Aaron had let them get out of control and so become a laughingstock to their enemies. ²⁶ So he stood at the entrance to the camp and said, “Whoever is for the LORD, come to me.” And all the Levites rallied to him. ²⁷ Then he said to them, “This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘Each man strap a sword to his side. Go back and forth through the camp from one end to the other, each killing his brother and friend and neighbor.’” ²⁸ The Levites did as Moses commanded, and that day about three thousand of the people died. ²⁹ Then Moses said, “You have been set apart to the LORD today, for you were against your own sons and brothers, and he has blessed you this day.” ³⁰ The next day Moses said to the people, “You have committed a great sin. But now I will go up to the LORD; perhaps I can make atonement for your sin.” ³¹ So Moses went back to the LORD and said, “Oh, what a great sin these people have committed! They have made themselves gods of gold. ³² But now, please forgive their sin—but if not, then blot me out of the book you have written.” ³³ The LORD replied to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against me I will blot out of my book. ³⁴ Now go, lead the people to the place I spoke of, and my angel will go before you. However, when the time comes for me to punish, I will punish them for their sin.” ³⁵ And the LORD struck the people with a plague because of what they did with the calf Aaron had made.

Exodus 32:1-14; and, 25-35

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

The Confession of Our Sins

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

Assurance of Pardon

A Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹ So I made up my mind that I would not make another painful visit to you. ² For if I grieve you, who is left to make me glad but you whom I have grieved? ³ I wrote as I did so that when I came I should not be distressed by those who ought to make me rejoice. I had confidence in all of you, that you would all share my joy. ⁴ For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you. ⁵ If anyone has caused grief, he has not so much grieved me as he has grieved all of you, to some extent—not to put it too severely. ⁶ The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient for him. ⁷ Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. ⁸ I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for him. ⁹ The reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be obedient in everything. ¹⁰ If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him. And what I have forgiven—if there was anything to forgive—I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, ¹¹ in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes. ¹² Now when I went to Troas to preach the gospel of Christ and found that the Lord had opened a door for me, ¹³ I still had no peace of mind, because I did not find my brother Titus there. So I said good-bye to them and went on to Macedonia. ¹⁴ But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him. ¹⁵ For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. ¹⁶ To the one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task? ¹⁷ Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, like men sent from God.

II Corinthians 2:1-17

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.

A Musical Offering

The Third Scripture Lesson

²⁴ Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵ But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶ When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. ²⁷ “The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’ ²⁸ “‘An enemy did this,’ he replied. “The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’ ²⁹ “‘No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.’” ³¹ He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all your seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and perch in its branches.” ³³ He told them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough.” ³⁴ Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. ³⁵ So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet: “I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world.” ³⁶ Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field.” ³⁷ He answered, “The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. ⁴⁰ “As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴² They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.

Matthew 13:24-43

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

**** Offertory Hymn**

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymn #170

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

¹⁰ Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. ¹² This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ¹³ Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. ¹⁴ And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

II Corinthians 9:10-15

The Offertory

Get All Excited - Wm Gaither/Don Hustad

*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**
All the Way My Savior Leads Me
Hymn #605

**** Benediction**

Postlude
Processional - Handel

*** 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.

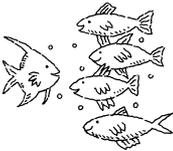
Emergency Contact Number For Fridays

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



NEW Member Class

New Member Class

We would like to know of those interested in joining SPC, so we can determine if we should have a "New Members Class" during the course of the summer, or perhaps in the fall. If you are interested in joining, please contact the church office (church@seminolepca.org or 813.774.3881) and indicate your interest.

Ladies

All Women's Fellowship Meeting – Only one gathering is left! All ladies are invited to Debbie Vincent's home (12213 Snead Place; in the Carrollwood area) for a time of fellowship and sharing beginning at 10:15 am on Thursday, July 28. Bring

any scripture that's been helpful or eye-opening, or a book or book title to recommend. Call Debbie with any questions: 813.969.2032.



Our deepest Christian sympathy goes out to Carol McFarland on the loss of her mother, Ms. Elizabeth Adams, who went to meet the Lord Monday, July 11. There will be a funeral 3:00 pm today at Hillsboro Memorial Funeral Home, 2323 West Brandon Blvd., Brandon, FL 33511. Please keep Carol, Tom, and their family lifted up in prayer during this time.

July 18-22 - Middle School Camp at Kulaqua (No Excursions for HS students due to camp.)



July 27 - Ichetucknee River Float for Youth
(8:00 am-8:30 pm) Cost: \$15

The Iche-what!? You don't need to know how to pronounce it to enjoy it. The beautiful Ichetucknee river is spring fed and flows slowly through shaded hammocks and wetlands. The water is crystal clear and too chilly for alligators so you can relax on your own tube as our floatilla meanders down the river. Laugh, relax, swim, have a blast, and see what happens if you try to flip Danny! Hehe. Join us for 1½ trips down this awesome north Florida river.

- **Sign-up by Sunday, July 24th**
- Required: \$15, notarized Med/Release Form
- Bring: Modest swimsuit, towel, change of dry clothes, money for dinner on the way home (\$10)

August 3 – Youth Service Project: Encouragement Packages
(10 am-2:30 pm) Free

Galatians 6:10 “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Let us continue to exercise our faith by doing good to others. We will be meeting at the home of Bryan and Jackie Toenes, make some baked goodies like cookies, brownies, and muffins. We will also use our creativity to put together cards of encouragement and then deliver them to people in our church as a way of serving through encouragement.



- Meet at the Toenes' home at 10:00 am
(4907 Wishart Blvd, Tampa; Phone: 813-220-4095)
- Required: notarized Med/Release Form & Bring a sack lunch

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer/Praise:

- Preston Kneeshaw (tumor/kidney cancer; chemotherapy; blood clots)
- Dorrie Cutler (mother of Bill Cutler; health issues)
- Augustina Livesay (recovery from broken hip)

Pray for those seeking employment or better employment:

- Elaine Crescent
- Amarnath Boodoosingh

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

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson	#115
Ages 4-6 / K4–1 st Grade	Sally Quick & Connie Trim	#109
Ages 7-8 / 2 nd –3 rd Grade	Sarah Zak & Shelia Colbert	#111
Ages 9-10 / 4 th –5 th Grade	Matt & Therese McKenzie	#105
Jr. High / 6 th –8 th Grade	Gregg Quick & Lisa Johnson	#107
Sr. High / 9 th –12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Bill Earnest	#108
Adult – The Prophets	Joe DeNitto	Church Office
Adult – New Testament Survey	Steve Strickland	#102

Current Adult Classes

Walden Class – Update - Room 108

Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest

"Dear friends, do not imitate what is evil but what is good" (3 John 11). Looking around our world today we find people who feel they are "justified" in doing terrible things to other people. Goodness seems to have taken an extended vacation! In the Walden class this morning we invite you to join us in the study of the "Little Book" of 3rd John. This little fellow has a tendency to get lost in the back of our Bibles as we flip to the larger books that surround Second and Third John. But that does not diminish their importance for the Church of Jesus Christ! These books are practical application in Christian living. They have things to say which we need to hear living in a hostile world that rejects the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Peace to you", the Apostle says to us. God's peace, the peace that sustains us, in all things. As said above, you are invited to join in the discussion today. The Walden class is located in room 108, just down the hall from the fellowship room. The welcome light is always on!

New Testament Survey – Room 102

Teacher: Elder Steve Strickland

Grab your hat and pack your bags because we will spend the summer touring the entire New Testament (NT). Steve Strickland is an excellent guide as we survey all 27 books of the NT. He will help you gain a better understanding of the broader context and major themes of each book. If you have never read the entire NT (or if it's been a while), make it your goal this Summer. You can do it by reading only three chapters a day. (Note: reading the entire NT is not a prerequisite for this class, though it will be highly beneficial.) Join us as we hear God speak to us today through His Word and are challenged in our lives.

Prophets – Church Office

Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto

Prophets spoke with authority and on behalf of God, and as Deuteronomy 18:21-22 points out, the test of a true prophet was that all of his predictions were to come to pass. This being true, not everything a prophet said was a future prediction. Many times prophets spoke to motivate God's people to repentance and obedience; such messages contain a certain timeliness and timelessness, making the study of this genre very exciting. This class will cover the prophetic books from Isaiah to Malachi. Elder Joe DeNitto will shed light on the diversity of historical settings including Israel's exile by the Assyrians, Judah's exile by the Babylonians, and the period of restoration when the Israelites came back to the land and rebuilt the temple. So, come join Joe in the Church Office for this look at the Prophets of the Bible, particularly their impact and meaning to us, even today.

Volunteers

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Therese McKenzie	Grace Keen	Ashley Johnson
Next Week:	Therese McKenzie	Nicholas Lambers	Lesley McKenzie
July 31:	Randa Gravanti	Emily Johnson	Peter Chang

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

Coffee Volunteers

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Today:	Randa Gravanti
Next Week:	Ron & Marilyn Quick
July 31:	Larry Dickey

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

John Keen 7/4	Patrick Chang 7/20
Johnny Hickerson 7/7	Bryan Toenes 7/21
Jean Glaze 7/8	Dave Hawes 7/23
Lea Zambon 7/9	Connie Frail 7/25
Bev Thomson 7/16	Dorothy Lemmon 7/26
Richard Zak 7/16	Dave Blanco 7/27
Keegan Melendi 7/18	

Anniversaries

Randy & Lisa Johnson 7/6	
David & Becky Groomes 7/7	Danny & Jamie Dalton 7/12
Preston & Judy Kneeshaw 7/11	Steve & Tami Pothoven 7/24
	Don & Glee Hamilton 7/27