

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM**  
**July 31, 2011**  
**Seventh 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 on hymn tune "Diadementa" - Flor Peeters  
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Silent Reflection from the Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 5**

- 12 Q. According to God's righteous judgment we deserve punishment both in this world and forever after: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God's favor?
- A. God requires that his justice be satisfied. Therefore the claims of his justice must be paid in full, either by ourselves or another.
- 13 Q. Can we pay this debt ourselves?
- A. Certainly not. Actually, we increase our guilt every day.
- 14 Q. Can another creature--any at all--pay this debt for us?
- A. No. To begin with, God will not punish another creature for what a human is guilty of. Besides, no mere creature can bear the weight of God's eternal anger against sin and release others from it.
- 15 Q. What kind of mediator and deliverer should we look for then?
- A. One who is truly human and truly righteous, yet more powerful than all creatures, that is, one who is also true God.

## **Call to Worship**

*Psalm 145:1-7*

**Leader:** I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

**People:** **Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.**

**Leader:** Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

**People:** **One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.**

**Leader:** They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

**People:** **They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds.**

**ALL:** **They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.**

## **\*\* Glorifying God in Song**

*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

Hymn #173

## **\*\* The Invocation**

## **\*\* The Nicene Creed**

*We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;  
who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## The First Scripture Lesson

<sup>18</sup> Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup> Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead. <sup>20</sup> Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup> The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, <sup>24</sup> but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. <sup>25</sup> He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Romans 4:18-25

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

## The Confession of Our Sins

*“Jesus, for your name sake, do that which your name proclaims. Jesus, pardon the pride that pains you and look upon the unhappy one that calls upon your tender name—name of comfort, name of delight, and to sinners name of blessed hope. For what does your name mean, Jesus, but Savior? Therefore, for your name’s sake, be to me, Jesus, a merciful Savior.”*

-- Prayer of St. Augustine

## Assurance of Pardon

**\*\* Hymn of Response**  
*Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*  
Hymn #254

**The Second Scripture Lesson**

<sup>1</sup> After this, the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.” <sup>2</sup> But Abram said, “O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup> And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.” <sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son coming from your own body will be your heir.” <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, “Look up at the heavens and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>6</sup> Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness. <sup>7</sup> He also said to him, “I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.” <sup>8</sup> But Abram said, “O Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?” <sup>9</sup> So the LORD said to him, “Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon.” <sup>10</sup> Abram brought all these to him, cut them in two and arranged the halves opposite each other; the birds, however, he did not cut in half. <sup>11</sup> Then birds of prey came down on the carcasses, but Abram drove them away. <sup>12</sup> As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD said to him, “Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years. <sup>14</sup> But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. <sup>15</sup> You, however, will go to your fathers in peace and be buried at a good old age. <sup>16</sup> In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.” <sup>17</sup> When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. <sup>18</sup> On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram and said, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates— <sup>19</sup> the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, <sup>20</sup> Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, <sup>21</sup> Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites.”

Genesis 15

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.*

## **\*\* Offertory Hymn** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Hymn #32

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

<sup>6</sup> “This is what the LORD Almighty says: ‘In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. <sup>7</sup> I will shake all nations, and the desired of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory,’ says the LORD Almighty. <sup>8</sup> ‘The silver is mine and the gold is mine,’ declares the LORD Almighty. <sup>9</sup> ‘The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,’ says the LORD Almighty. ‘And in this place I will grant peace,’ declares the LORD Almighty.”

Haggai 2:6-9

## **The Offertory** *Molto Adagio from Cantata "God's Time is Best" –* J.S. Bach

*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. Danny Dalton,  
Associate Pastor*

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

Hymn #521

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Jesus Shall Reign - James Mansfield*

*\*\* All who are able, please stand*

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**Summer Study – Meets Sunday evenings from July 24-August 14; 6:00-8:00pm  
(Location: Church Office)**

In the midst of summer, this is a way for us to stay connected to God and one another as we study the Word.

- **Middle School:** Led by Randy Johnson and Donna Waugh; going through the book of Jonah.
- **High School:** Led by Danny & Jamie Dalton; continuing our media series and calling this a “youth culture tap.”

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

We will meet at the home of Bryan and Jackie Toenes, and 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

**August 13 (Saturday) - The Amazing Race (11am-7pm)**

**Cost: \$5**

Get ready. Set. Go! Just like the TV show, each team will strive to win the amazing race by deciphering clues, completing all legs (segments), overcoming detours, road blocks, and U-turns in order to arrive safely at the final destination, where we will enjoy a great celebration with some food and a pool party. With your adult leader, each team will travel all over the metro Tampa area. You will need to work together, communicate, and be creative if you are to win. Even if you don’t win, one thing is certain, it will be a blast. Be sure to invite a friend!

- **Sign-up by Wednesday, August 3rd**
- Required: \$5 and a notarized Med/Release form
- Parents: At 7pm pick up your child up at the home of Randy and Lisa Johnson (6307 Nikki Lane, Tampa; Phone: 908-7254)

# Next Steps for Men

in partnership with  
The Leadership Training Center at Man in the Mirror  
presents

# Reaching Every Man

## EVENT DETAILS

Lutz, FL  
Saturday August 13th  
Cornerstone Presbyterian Church  
17515 Lakeshore Rd  
Lutz FL 33558  
8AM – 12 PM

Cost: \$39 per man  
Group of 4 or more \$28.00 each  
Cost includes snacks and training materials.

This event is open to  
ALL DENOMINATIONS

## Topics Include

The No Man Left Behind Model  
The Purpose of the Church  
Developing Your Vision  
What is Men's Ministry?  
Engaging Men in the Process  
The Create-Capture-Sustain Cycle  
Creating Value  
Capture Momentum  
Long-Term Discipleship

## QUESTIONS?

Call Dave Enslow 941-923-8546

Or e-mail

[dave@nextstepsformen.com](mailto:dave@nextstepsformen.com)

to register with a team of leaders, or to find out how  
you can bring the training to your area.

The intent of this **multi-denominational, four-hour course** is to introduce the basics of building a sustainable ministry to men in your church. The principles taught in this training will help you **ask the right questions** and look at the **discipleship activities you offer for men** in your church in a different light.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This event is strategic team training designed for:

- senior pastors
- associate pastors
- men's pastors
- men's ministry leaders
- laymen
- potential new leaders
- small group leaders

For more information about all  
Man in the Mirror offers, see:  
[www.maninthemirror.org](http://www.maninthemirror.org)



Next Steps  
for  
Men



**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.

# Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

## Prayer/Praise:

- Preston Kneeshaw (tumor/kidney cancer)
- Dorrie Cutler (mother of Bill Cutler; health issues)
- Augustina Livesay (recovery from broken hip)
- Jean Mathis (recovery from stroke)

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

**This Week at SPC ~ July 31 – Aug. 6**

**SUNDAY:**

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

MS/HS Youth Summer Study; 6 pm  
*Church Office*

**WEDNESDAY:**

MS/HS Service Project  
*@ Toenes Home*

**FRIDAY:**

Seniors' Covenant Group, 10 am



**Aug. 13**

MS/HS Youth Activity -  
*The Amazing Race*

**Aug. 25**

Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm



**SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: TBA

Last Sunday's Offering: TBA

*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><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>	<u><i>Banner Bearer</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Emily Johnson</i>	<i>Peter Chang</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Donna Waugh</i>	<i>Alex Johnson</i>	<i>Kathryn White</i>
<i>Aug. 14:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>	<i>Julia White</i>

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

## *Coffee Volunteers*

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<i>Today:</i>	<i>Larry Dickey</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Rob Edwards</i>
<i>Aug. 14:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>

# August Birthdays & Anniversaries

## *Birthdays*

<i>Tami Pothoven 8/4</i>	<i>Servy Fernandez 8/19</i>
<i>Ken Smith, Jr. 8/6</i>	<i>Brittany Connolly 8/19</i>
<i>Bill Bergen 8/8</i>	<i>Judy Vander Ploeg 8/22</i>
<i>Heather McFarland 8/10</i>	<i>Don Vander Ploeg 8/26</i>
<i>Carolyn Keen 8/12</i>	<i>Larry Dickey 8/29</i>
<i>Maggie Groomes 8/14</i>	<i>Juanita Shreve 8/30</i>
<i>Steve Pothoven 8/17</i>	

## *Anniversaries*

<i>Richard &amp; Sarah Zak 8/7</i>
<i>Frank &amp; Connie Frail 8/16</i>
<i>Al &amp; Debbie Vincent 8/26</i>