

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
August 7, 2011
Eighth 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 "Beautiful Savior" - Flor Peeters
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 84: 1-4; 9-12

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD Almighty!

**People: My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.**

Leader: Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest
for herself, where she may have her young— a place near
your altar, O LORD Almighty, my King and my God.

**People: Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever
praising you.**

Leader: Look upon our shield, O God; look with favor on your
anointed one.

**People: Better is one day in your courts than a thousand
elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of
my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

Leader: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows
favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those
whose walk is blameless.

ALL: O LORD Almighty, blessed is the man who trusts in you.

**** 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

¹ Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, “May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them.” ³ Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, ⁴ while he himself went a day’s journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. “I have had enough, LORD,” he said. “Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.” ⁵ Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, “Get up and eat.” ⁶ He looked around, and there by his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. ⁷ The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, “Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you.” ⁸ So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. ⁹ There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁰ He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” ¹¹ The LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.” Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. ¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?” ¹⁴ He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.” ¹⁵ The LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. ¹⁷ Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. ¹⁸ Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him.”

1 Kings 19:1-18

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

A Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹ I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵ Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

Romans 9:1-5

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

**** Offertory Hymn**

Break Thou the Bread of Life
Hymn #146

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

²⁴ One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. ²⁵ A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

Proverbs 11:24-25

The Offertory

Praise to the Lord - Bruce Greer

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TO INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE.*

**** The Doxology**

(Hymn # 731)

Children K4 – K5 may be dismissed to Children's Church.

The Third Scripture Lesson

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵ During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Matthew 14:22-33

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

The Message
Rev. John K. Keen
Senior Pastor

**** Glorifying God in Song**
I Know Whom I Have Believed
Hymn #705
(v. 1-3, only)

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

**** Glorifying God in Song**
I Know Whom I Have Believed
Hymn #705
(v. 4-5, only)

**** Benediction**

Postlude
Voluntary - John Stanley

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



Choir will return to practice on the 17th. Now would be a perfect time to join! They meet Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the choir room. (SPC's choir room is located in the church's office.) For more information, please see Choir Director, Danny Compher.



Children's Ministry – Sunday School: Teachers Needed! – We are beginning our recruiting for Children's Sunday School teachers. The term runs from September 4 through May 27. *To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Jackie Toenes* (813.220.4095; jtoenes@seminolepca.org). Positions available include:

Teacher, Toddlers	Bev Thomson
Teacher, K4—1 st Grade	<i>Open</i>
Assistant, K4—1 st Grade	<i>Open</i>
Teacher, 2 nd – 3 rd Grade	<i>Open</i>
Assistant, 2 nd – 3 rd Grade	<i>Open</i>
Co-Teacher, 4 th – 5 th Grade	Alex Fernandez
Co -Teacher, 4 th – 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez

Officer Nominations

It is time for our annual SPC Officer Nominations for the offices of Ruling Elder and/or Deacon. Please find a ballot inserted in today's bulletin. Please place completed ballots in the offering plate.



Fall Fellowship

Save the Date - Fall Fellowship

We are planning our Fourth Annual Fall Fellowship for **Sunday evening (5 – 8 pm), October 23**. More details will be coming.

Workday - Saturday, August 20

Join us on Saturday, August 20 beginning at 8 AM for a workday. For more information contact any of our Deacons.



Help will be needed with:

- Flowerbed Weeding/Bush Trimming
- Gutter Clean out (church office)

Items to bring:

- Ladders (8-foot & up)
- Gloves
- Yard tools



We offer our deepest Christian Sympathy to our Brother in Christ, Bill Cutler, as he grieves the loss of his mother, Mrs. Dorrie Cutler, who passed away Sunday, July 24. Please keep Bill lifted up during this time.

**Student
Ministry**



The Student Ministry Event You Have Been Waiting For!

The Amazing Race!

Saturday, August 13

11am to 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!

Required/Items to Bring:

- \$5 and a notarized Med/Release form
- **Sack Lunch**
- **Swimsuit & towel** (there will be a pool party at the end of the race)

Parents:

At 7pm, pick up your child up at the home of Randy and Lisa Johnson (6307 Nikki Lane, Tampa; Phone: 908-7254)



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

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

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



Next Steps
for
Men

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer/Praise:

- Preston Kneeshaw (tumor/kidney cancer)
- 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

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

The Walden class is made up of folks of all ages, from young adult to those in their late eighties. From a group such as that you may well imagine the range of perspective the discussions take. This class is a Bible study class, open to class discussion, questions, and comments. We study Old Testament as well as New testament books. The length of time (weeks) to complete a Study depends on the class participation and the discussion level generated by a particular text. We do keep a schedule, but are open to the leading of God's Holy Spirit and follow where scripture leads.

If this sounds like your kind of Bible study then by all means come and join us. Our worship service is conducive to the study of solid spiritual food, the encouragement to practice what we learn and to follow the leading of Micah 6:8: "To act justly, To love mercy, To walk humbly with our God".. Come join us, you are most welcome!

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:	Donna Waugh	Alex Johnson	Kathryn White
Next Week:	Cathy Armstrong	Hannah Johnson	Julia White
Aug. 21:	Cathy Gartman	Grace Gartman	Maggie Groomes

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

Coffee Volunteers

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Today:	Rob Edwards
Next Week:	Brian Waugh
Aug. 21:	Andy Thomson

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

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

Anniversaries

Richard & Sarah Zak 8/7
Frank & Connie Frail 8/16
Al & Debbie Vincent 8/26