

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM**  
**November 11, 2012**  
**Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**Welcome, Announcements &  
Presentation of New Members**

**Prelude**

*He Leadeth Me*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Hebrews 12:1-3*

**Leader:** Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

**People:** **Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

**ALL:** **Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.**

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

*For All the Saints*

Hymn #358

## **\*\* 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>“I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. <sup>7</sup>Ever since the time of your forefathers you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the LORD Almighty. “But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’ <sup>8</sup>“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’ “In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup>You are under a curse—the whole nation of you—because you are robbing me. <sup>10</sup>Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. <sup>11</sup>I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,” says the LORD Almighty. <sup>12</sup>“Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the LORD Almighty.

Malachi 3:6-12

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

## The Confession of Our Sins

*“Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.”*

*Book of Common Worship,*  
Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993

## Assurance of Pardon

### Musical Offering

## The Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup> This Melchizedek was king of Salem and priest of God Most High. He met Abraham returning from the defeat of the kings and blessed him, <sup>2</sup> and Abraham gave him a tenth of everything. First, his name means “king of righteousness”; then also, “king of Salem” means “king of peace.” <sup>3</sup> Without father or mother, without genealogy, without beginning of days or end of life, like the Son of God he remains a priest forever. <sup>4</sup> Just think how great he was: Even the patriarch Abraham gave him a tenth of the plunder! <sup>5</sup> Now the law requires the descendants of Levi who become priests to collect a tenth from the people—that is, their brothers—even though their brothers are descended from Abraham. <sup>6</sup> This man, however, did not trace his descent from Levi, yet he collected a tenth from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. <sup>7</sup> And without doubt the lesser person is blessed by the greater. <sup>8</sup> In the one case, the tenth is collected by men who die; but in the other case, by him who is declared to be living. <sup>9</sup> One might even say that Levi, who collects the tenth, paid the tenth through Abraham, <sup>10</sup> because when Melchizedek met Abraham, Levi was still in the body of his ancestor.

Hebrews 7:1-10

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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>16</sup>“Woe to you, blind guides! You say, ‘If anyone swears by the temple, it means nothing; but if anyone swears by the gold of the temple, he is bound by his oath.’ <sup>17</sup>You blind fools! Which is greater: the gold, or the temple that makes the gold sacred? <sup>18</sup>You also say, ‘If anyone swears by the altar, it means nothing; but if anyone swears by the gift on it, he is bound by his oath.’ <sup>19</sup>You blind men! Which is greater: the gift, or the altar that makes the gift sacred? <sup>20</sup>Therefore, he who swears by the altar swears by it and by everything on it. <sup>21</sup>And he who swears by the temple swears by it and by the one who dwells in it. <sup>22</sup>And he who swears by heaven swears by God’s throne and by the one who sits on it. <sup>23</sup>“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cummin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former. <sup>24</sup>You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel. <sup>25</sup>“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You clean the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. <sup>26</sup>Blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and dish, and then the outside also will be clean.

Matthew 23:16-26

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

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**  
*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*  
Hymn #630

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

<sup>1</sup>Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children <sup>2</sup>and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1-2

**The Offertory**  
*Doxology*

*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**  
*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*  
Hymn #599

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Toccata on "America" - Broughton*

*\*\* 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).

### **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



**Please join us in welcoming our newest communicant SPC members:** John, Paul, & Lesley McKenzie. While many of us are already very familiar with all three of Matthew & Therese McKenzie's delightful children, here is a little more information about each:

**John Alexander McKenzie** is eleven years old and was born in Montgomery, AL. He's in the 5th grade at Seffner Christian Academy and enjoys playing soccer and tag, playing with his sister and brother, doing yard work, and mathematics. Some of his favorite movies are *Star Wars*, *Princess Bride*, and *Indiana Jones*. He also enjoys board games.

**Paul Alexander McKenzie** is eleven years old and was born in Montgomery, AL. He's in the 5th grade at Seffner Christian Academy and enjoys reading, playing, drawing, and running Cross Country. His favorite books are *The Whipping Boy*, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, and *Fablehaven*. His favorite movies are *Princess Bride* and *Star Wars*.

**Lesley Noel McKenzie** is seven years old and was born in Brandon, FL. She's in the 2nd grade at Seffner Christian Academy and enjoys going on field trips with her friends, swimming, art class, and science. Her favorite hobby is reading; her best titles are *Miss Suzie*, *Tails*, and *The Three Trees*. Her favorite movie is *McKenna Shoots for the Stars* and her favorite amusement park is Adventure Island.

# FYI

• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

**MS/HS Youth Group** - Just a reminder that the MS/HS Youth Group will not be meeting tonight due to the College Preview Trip.



**Thanksgiving Eve Service** - Please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service/Time of Sharing in the Sanctuary on **Wednesday, November 21 beginning at 7:00 PM.**

## **Hanging of the Green for Advent**

Save the Date for **Saturday, December 1 from 2 pm to 5 pm** to help set up the Christmas tree for the Advent Season. *Men especially are welcome and needed at this event!* Please note that the start time is a little different than in prior years (as a conference will be held in the Sanctuary that morning by another church). But do make plans now to join in the decorating fun! See Jackie Toenes for more information.



*Hanging of the Green*

## Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

### Prayer/Praise:

- Larry Dickey – health & strengthening
- Kim Dostal (DIL of Judy Dostal) & Alan Dostal (Judy’s husband)
- Servy & Raquel Fernandez – parents’ health issues; Servy’s new business
- Amarnath Boodoosingh – better employment

### Pray for our missionaries:

- Scott & Kathy Craig, MTW/Short-term Team Coordinators in Costa Rica
- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS; 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	Jane Lambers & Cathy Gartman	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Raquel Fernandez & Liz Hickerson	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Therese McKenzie & Diane Keen	#107
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton & Richard Zak	The Tower
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Ben Lambers	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Gospel of Mark	Bryan Toenes	#102
Adult – How to Study the Bible	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

## *Current Adult Classes*

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

*Teacher: Matthew McKenzie*

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". The Walden class meets in each Sunday morning from 10:45 to 11:45 with greetings, prayer for the needs of God's people, and Bible study. Come join us, you are most welcome!

### **Gospel of Mark – Room 102**

*Teacher: Bryan Toenes*

This fall Bryan Toenes is leading a study of the Gospel of Mark. Today we are looking at the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ. How did the various participants in the crucifixion account mock Jesus? If Jesus had demonstrated His power and come down from the cross, would the people have received Him as Messiah? How could many of the same people who shouted "Hosanna" on Palm Sunday now demand that Jesus be crucified? And what group was the only one to be an eyewitness to all of the events pertaining to the crucifixion and resurrection, and why is this important? Join us this morning as we answer these questions and more in our study of the Gospel of Mark.

### **How to Study the Bible – Church Office**

*Teacher: Joe DeNitto*

Have you ever had problems understanding God's Word? When you come to a passage in the Bible that confuses you, do you tend to read past it? Would you like to have more tools to assist you in your Bible study? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then this class is for you. Together we will learn many ways to faithfully study the scriptures and apply these techniques to scripture passages, so that very practical methods will be developed for your study. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the church office for this class. It could change the way you read, think about and understand the Bible.

## This Week at SPC ~ November 11 - 17

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

MS/HS Youth Group  
*No Meeting; College Preview Trip*

**WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm



**November 21:** Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7 pm

**November 29:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

**December 1:** Advent Decorating, 2 pm – 5 pm

**December 4:** Session Meeting, 7 pm

**December 16:** Congregational Meeting

**December 24:** Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm



### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 147

Last Sunday's Offering: \$17,238.50

*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><b>Teacher</b></u>	<u><b>Helper</b></u>	<u><b>Banner Bearer</b></u>
Today:	Laura Strickland	Rachel Strickland	Kathryn White
Next Week:	Hannah Johnson	Alex Johnson	Julia White
Nov. 25:	Kelly Fernandez	Cameron Pothoven	Nora Fernandez

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

## *Coffee Volunteers*

### **Coffee Volunteers**

Today:	Ron & Marilyn Quick
Next Week:	Larry Dickey
Nov. 25:	Rob Edwards

# November Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays

Andy Thomson 11/3	Sammy Fernandez 11/9
Stan Wildeboer 11/3	Marcy Edwards 11/12
Kathryn White 11/3	Cathy Gartman 11/14
Julia White 11/3	Sara Blue 11/16
Steve White 11/7	Nicholas Lambers 11/17
Glenda Fellows 11/8	Judy Dostal 11/20
Emily Johnson 11/9	Luke Hoopes 11/24
Pam Bergen 11/9	Darby White 11/25
Ananta Boodoosingh 11/9	

## Anniversaries

Kevin & Kerri Connolly 11/16
Alan & Judy Dostal 11/21
Jake & Mary Beckel 11/23