

Church of the Palms

Worship

January 30, 2011

“Equipping Disciples for the Service of Christ”



Need someone to talk to? A Stephen Minister can help, 924-1323

Need to hear a prayer or have someone pray for you?

Call the Prayer Line 924-9979

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9:15 a.m. Sanctuary Worship broadcast live on Comcast Channel 189.

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Welcome to Worship at Church of the Palms

Whether you are a member or affiliate member of our church, a frequent attendee, or a first time visitor, we are glad you are here and invite you to participate in the many opportunities for worship, growth, and service. If you would like to learn more about the church, are considering how you might be involved, or are ready to make a deeper commitment through membership, we invite you to contact Pastor Tim Reynolds, 924-1323. The next orientation is February 13, at 10:15 a.m. in the Chapel Reception Room. Pre-registration is not required and you are welcome to attend.

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are trained, caring Christians who know how to listen and support people in crisis. If either you or someone you know would like a Stephen Minister's help, contact Dr. Bruce Hedgepeth, 924-1323.

Sanctuary Worship Aids - For your convenience, there are large-print copies of the Order of Worship and hearing devices that may be helpful as well. Packets containing worship activities designed for children are also available at the entrances to the Sanctuary and Campus Center. An usher can assist you with these needs.

Sermon Text - Copies of previous sermon text brochures are available in the Narthex in plastic tiered holders, the Campus Center, at the Welcome Center and in the Administration Building.

Televised Worship Service

On Sunday mornings our 9:15 a.m. Sanctuary worship service is broadcast on Comcast Cable Channel 189. For those who do not have Comcast, a video copy of the sermon is uploaded to our website the following Monday before noon. There is also an archive of sermons available on the website. DVD's of the entire service are available for purchase by calling the Church office. You may also watch the live video stream of our 9:15 a.m. Sanctuary worship service on our website, www.churchofthepalms.org.

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bette Ball's 95th birthday, by Nancy Brown and Peter and Helen DeVos.

In Memoriam

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family of Kenneth Jones, who died January 23, 2011.

Worship Leaders in the Sanctuary Today

Dr. Stephen D. McConnell	Senior Pastor
Dr. Bruce Hedgepeth	Executive Pastor
Rev. Phil Bliss	Visitation Pastor
Rev. Fred Marsh	Visitation Pastor
John W. Ferreira, C.A.G.O.	Director of Music Ministries
Judy Lutes	Assistant Organist

The Garden @ Church of the Palms

Modern Worship – Ancient Truth – Spiritual Growth

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Gathering Around The Word

Call to Worship

Words of Welcome

Songs of Praise & Thanksgiving

Greeting One Another

Proclaiming The Word

Scripture Reading - Proverbs 3:1-8

Prayers of Supplication & Intercession

Songs for Illumination

Proclamation

Philippians 2:12-18

Pastor Tim Reynolds

Responding To The Word

Songs of Affirmation

Invitation to Discipleship

Response of the People

The morning offering and gifts may be placed in the garden pail on your table or in the watering cans near the entrance. Canned goods for the food pantry are placed in the wheelbarrow up front. For more information about programs and activities at Church of the Palms there is a “5-Minute Window” at 8:55 a.m. and 10:25 a.m. in the Campus Center, or you may visit the “Welcome Center” just outside the doors. Following the service, Pastor Tim will be available in front of the stage for anyone with comments, questions or concerns.

Next Sunday, February 6 we will celebrate “Kidz in the Garden” at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. This will be a children’s worship experience in The Garden led by and designed especially for children, with music and a message specifically geared towards the youngest among us from kindergarten through 5th grade. We look forward to having you join us as worship in The Garden becomes truly intergenerational every first Sunday! If your child would like to participate in leading worship (or you would like your child to!), sign-up sheets will be available at the entrance of the Campus Center.

Next Week: - Philippians 2:19-30

Worship in the Sanctuary

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 and 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

(9:15 a.m.) Gerry Hailey

(11:00 a.m.) Ginna Clark

Let the mountains hear our voices raised in prayer and praise, wise and holy God. We gather in this sacred place to honor and adore you. We come humbly, claiming the cross of Jesus Christ as our sign. We give thanks that you lift up the weak and lowly, defy the world's foolishness, and invite us to share in life at its fullest and best as disciples of Jesus. We want to accept your invitation. Amen.

PRELUDE

“Be Thou My Vision” arr. Hayes and Gaspard

“O for a Thousand Tongues” arr. Hayes and Gaspard

Caroline B. Decker, Pianist; Judy Lutes, Organist

“How Great Thou Art”

Stuart Hines

Warren Swanson, Soloist

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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Chorus: Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee,
How great thou art, how great Thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. (Chorus)

When Christ shall come, with shouts of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim, my God, how great thou art! (Chorus)

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #482** “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

***SENTENCES OF PRAISE**

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

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. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

**Pastor: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (together)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** **The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the commu-
nion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and
the life everlasting. Amen.**

WE SHARE

WORDS OF GREETING

(Please sign and pass the red covered friendship pad at the end of the pew.)

COMMISSIONING FOR HONDURAS MISSION TEAM

MUSIC MEDITATION “And I Shall Not Be Moved” Furman and Courtney
Praise and Glory Singers; Caroline B. Decker, Pianist

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand. I trust in him alone.
He is my firm foundation, the chief and cornerstone.
For God alone is faithful. His promises are true.
On Christ the solid rock I stand, and I shall not be moved.

On Christ alone I build my life. His Word my anchor sure.
Upon this rock of ages my temple is secure.
When mountains shake and tremble, when faith is tried and proved,
My house of grace will trust the Lord, and I shall not be moved.

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly lean on Jesus' name!

On Christ, the solid rock, I live uplifted by his grace.
And on his Word I build my faith, my chapel made of praise.
For he alone is worthy. Christ alone is true.
On Christ, the solid rock, I live and I shall not be moved!

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 “Whisper to My Heart” Angerman and Martin
Chancel Choir; Susy Welsh, Soloist

Whisper to my heart; I will hear you.
Whisper to my heart; I am list'ning, Lord.
Spirit, like a gentle wind, send your peace to me again.
Whisper to my heart.

Whisper to my heart; I will hear you.
Whisper to my heart; I am list'ning, Lord.
Spirit, like a gentle dove, sing to me your song of love.
Whisper to my heart.

Whisper, Lord, and there is music.
Whisper and peace will fall as snow.
Quiet me with your perfect love.
In the stillness speak, and I will know.

Whisper to my heart; I will hear you.
Whisper to me heart; I am list'ning, Lord.
Spirit, like a gentle wind, send your peace to me again.
Whisper to my heart.

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***HYMN #473** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 20:12 (Pew Bible O.T. p. 66)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"The Tree From Which the Apple Falls"

Dr. Stephen D. McConnell

WE GO

***HYMN #555** "Now Thank We All Our God"

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** (together)

**Grant us thy peace upon our homeward way;
With thee began, with thee shall end the day.
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
That in this house have called upon thy name.**

POSTLUDE

*Congregation, please stand if able.

The vocal selection during the Prelude this morning
is in memory of Lt. Col. C. E. McGilvray.

Call to Prayer

Would you get up early to pray for your pastors?
Join us Sunday mornings, 8:00-9:00 a.m. - Chapel Study (leave when you must)
Questions? Contact Margarete Bliss, (941) 359-6688

Sunday Mornings for Children - 8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School Childcare

Nursery	Room 101
Toddlers & Two Year Olds	Room 103
Three Year Olds	Room 103B

Children in PreK and Kindergarten begin their day in the Chapel for music at 9:00 a.m. After music they will be brought to their class. Parents are to pick them up at 10:15 a.m. from their class.

Pre-K	Room 105
Kindergarten	Room 114

Faith Boosters – 1st through 5th Grades

Begin your day in the Chapel for “Gathering Time.” A light breakfast will be served. Today we will spend our morning touring the Mission Fair. 1st and 2nd graders are to be picked in the Chapel immediately following the 9:15 a.m. worship service.

**Parents – See what your children are doing in class and find suggestions on what you can do at home to enrich your child’s learning experience. Go to www.churchofthepalms.org. Under “Families” click on “Children & Parents” go down the right hand side to “S’MORE GOD.” Click there to get to that page.

**Attention 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade students. Our “Bible Booster” program continues today. Remember to bring your Bibles with you each and every Sunday. Find out more details during “Gathering Time.”

Nursery care available - 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - Room 101

Childcare for children age 2 - 7 available - 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - Room 108

Children’s Choirs

God’s Kids Choir - 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel - Pre-K and Kindergarten.

Kids of the Kingdom Choir - 10:15 a.m. in the Chapel - 1st - 5th Grades.

If you have questions about the children’s choirs, please contact Judy Lutes, 921-4330 or jlutes@churchofthepalms.org.

“Sunday Morning Sabbath” for Middle and High School Youth

9:00 a.m. - Get refreshed, refocused, and renewed in the Lord. High school students meet in Room 208/210 and middle school students meet in Room 209 for worship and interaction before separating into age appropriate Bible study and discussion.

Adult Spiritual Formation

Seeds of Faith - Sunday, 9:15 a.m. - Room 211

Dr. Paul L. Maier (best-selling author and Professor of Ancient History at Western Michigan University) comes to us each week via DVD, sharing fascinating information and insights about Christianity: The First Three Centuries. We're discovering what happened to many of the earliest disciples...what led to the persecution of Christians by Roman emperors...what sort of "structure" existed in the earliest churches...and more! Next week we'll focus on "Defenders of the Faith." We have two main goals during this series: 1) to become better informed about the early church, and 2) to consider how we can use what we've learned to become better disciples today. Won't you join us?

Christians Under Construction - Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - Room 209

With the New Year, we begin a study of the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Barbara Hohenshil leads the presentation and discussion based on "The Mystery of the Holy Spirit," by R.C. Sproul, a leading Reformed theologian. Barbara also will draw on a work by Katherine Marshall, "The Helper." In February, Tom Webber will lead a discussion of "Church and State - from Revolutionary times to the present."

Book Group - Sunday, February 20, 3:00 p.m. - Chapel Reception Room

Our monthly Book Group will be discussing the non-fiction book, Cain's Redemption: A Story of Hope and Transformation by Dennis Shere. In it, we're given the riveting account of what happened in "America's bloodiest" prison, Angola State Penitentiary, when its Christ-following warden applied his faith to the challenges of his position. Won't you join us for thought-provoking and enjoyable discussion? You would be most welcome! Questions? You are encouraged to contact Doris Kamphuis, 360-8474, rakamphuis@aol.com or Suzanne Butsch, 378-3412, rando250@verizon.net.

Men's Study and Breakfast - Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. At the Dutch Heritage Restaurant on Bahia Vista Street; just east of Beneva Road. We begin with prayer for one another and others, followed by Bible study on the Gospel of John. Led by Dale Vollrath.

Ladies Prayer Group - Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. - Room 211

Ladies! Praying for adult children? Need encouragement? Join us for prayer. Questions? Contact Margarett Bliss, 359-6688.

C.S. Lewis Reading Group Led by Dr. McConnell Tuesday, February 1, 6:00 p.m. - Chapel Reception Room

We will be discussing Chapters 1-3 of Miracles by C.S. Lewis. Newcomers are welcome.



Adult Spiritual Formation (continued)

Men's Bible Study - Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. - Chapel Reception Room

Join us in our study of the Gospel of Matthew. The Men's Bible Study has been a regular program since the formation of Church of the Palms in 1957. Led by Tom Webber and Rev. Fred Marsh.

Faith at Work - Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. - Chapel Reception Room

Faith at Work continues an investigation of the toughest objections to Christianity. This video-based series, "The Case for Faith," deals with those nagging questions and doubts that keep people from believing in Christ or fully committing themselves to him. How do we as believers grow in faith with our own lingering doubts at the same time? Join us in our study as we explore faith and reason. Moderators: Ben and Bernie Morgan.

Wednesday Dinner - February 2, 5:00 p.m. - Campus Center

Join us for food, fun and fellowship. This Wednesday we will have chicken every which way! Adults \$8.00; Youth \$4.00; Children \$3.00; Toddlers 2 and under - free. Fill out your reservation cards in the pew rack or call the Church office, 924-1323 or make your reservation online, www.churchofthepalms.org. Deadline: noon on Tuesdays.

Wednesdays @ 6:12 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Why 6:12 p.m.? Because Leviticus 6:12 says that the fire on the altar should never go out. These spiritual formation classes are designed to keep the fire in our hearts burning so that we go out into the world to serve in the name of Christ.

February – Dr. Steve McConnell continues a series on The Parables of Jesus that will continue up to the beginning of Lent. Jesus used stories to communicate the truth of God's love, the reality of God's Kingdom, and the demands of following him. These stories are still read, studied, and told today by those who follow Jesus because the depth and many facets they contain continue to inspire, equip, and instruct us, even over 2,000 years later. What makes these stories so special? So relevant? So timeless? Please join Dr. McConnell for this enlightening and informative look at Jesus' parables as we continue to be inspired and instructed by them in the 21st century.

February 2 – Parables of mystery - Luke 16

February 9 – Parables of forgiveness - Luke 7:36-50, Matthew 18:23-34

February 16 – Parables of the Kingdom - Matthew 13

Adult Spiritual Formation (continued)

Companions in Christ - Thursday, 6:30 p.m. - Room 209

The Companions in Christ program is a small-group study that nurtures the progress of spiritual formation. In this study you will embrace spiritual formation as a journey, be introduced to several ways of meditation and praying with scripture, learn various forms and styles of prayer, discuss your call to service, and explore spiritual guidance. Registration for this class is now closed. Please watch for announcements of future opportunities being offered through Companions in Christ, or contact Fee Mercer, 371-8091 or pmercer10@comcast.net for more information.

Friday Morning Bible Study - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - Room 211

Pastor Tim Reynolds leads a study of the minor prophets. Its not too late to join us. Bring your Bible and a desire to learn.

Members of the Honduras Mission Team Being Commissioned Today

Ginna Clark	Hector Jacques	Dean Shelton
Helen Dickinson	Mary Jacques	Sue Stolberg
Bruce Hedgepeth	Phyllis Keyser	Dale Vollrath
Al Higginbotham	Gaye O'Brien	Mary Ann Vollrath
Fred Hunt	Maxine Perry	David Wachtel
Jan Hunt	Jerry Ripio	Brad Wilson
Andrea Jackson	John Segó	John Yoder

It Takes The Whole Church To Disciple Youth

Given the realities that teens and pre-teens face today, we are determined more than ever to help them along their journey. We are convinced that the best way to impact students is when the entire church commits to investing their time, talent and offering. That is why we are so excited about the Student Sponsorship Program. The Student Sponsorship Program is designed to build connections between the adults and students (6-12th grade) at Church of the Palms. You have an exciting opportunity to sponsor our students as they continue their extraordinary faith journey. As a sponsor, you will not only impact the students through your investment (whether prayer, financial or both), but you will be blessed as you learn more about who the students are and what they are doing to serve Christ in the world. More information will be available at the Student Ministry table at the Mission Expo today.



The Church of the Palms Mission Expo is here!!

Today from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. thirty-five (35) Church of the Palms' Mission and Outreach Groups will display under the Big Top Tent in the courtyard!

- Meet the COP members who lead and work in the many mission and outreach functions of our church. Visit their exhibits in the Expo Tent and learn how you could participate and support them.
- Read about all the COP mission and outreach activities in the new "Mission Matters 2011" Booklet (available at Expo).
- Meet five of our directly supported missionaries and learn more about what they do.

Service with a Smile

Do you have the gift of administration, encouragement, service, or hospitality? We would love to have your help in the front office. Even if you only have one or two hours a week, we have a special place for you to serve with us. Please contact Laurie Haas, 924-1323 if you would like to learn more. Looking forward to serving with you.

Personal Invitation To Visit Wycliffe Bible Translators & Campus Crusade in Orlando on Tuesday, February 15. Space is limited, so reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis. We will board the church bus at 7:00 a.m. sharp. You will be a priority visitor and receive VIP treatment! We will tour the Wycliffe headquarters, visit the Discovery Center, have lunch together in the cafe, meet some of the Wycliffe and Campus Crusade missionaries, and also tour Campus Crusade for Christ's Jesus Film production facility, then return no later than 6:30 p.m. For further information, please contact Reyn Kamphuis, 360-8474 or email rakamhuis@aol.com, or visit the Mission table under the Fellowship tree today.

God's Ten Point Plan for Abundant Living

Today in the Sanctuary, Dr. McConnell continues his series on the Ten Commandments. Today we look at Commandment #5 - "Honor your father and your mother."

Women's Exercise - Firm Believers

Osteopenia: A significant decrease in bone mineral density.

Osteoporosis: Loss of bone mass that occurs throughout the skeleton, predisposing to fractures.

Exercise strengthens your bones! Side to side and forward/backward movement increases the benefit. Exercise improves general strength and stability while it decreases stress and lowers blood pressure. So...what are you waiting for? The women's exercise class meets in the Campus Center on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m., and Monday and Wednesday at 9:45 a.m. The cost is \$15 per month. Your instructor is Ethel Webb, Certified Senior Fitness Instructor, Retired RN. For more information, call Ethel at 924-2765 or just come observe or try the class.

Honduras VBS Mission Team Needs Your Help!

Plans are nearly complete for the 2011 adult mission trip to Honduras – February 5-12. This will be the sixth year that we have traveled to Honduras to share the message of God’s love with the children and their families. A few members of our team will be working in construction while others will be involved in the VBS program. We are especially excited to have Bruce Hedgepeth joining our team this year. We will be returning to Paujiles Norte and are looking forward to continuing to build our relationships with the children and adults that began last year. In addition to your prayers, which we covet, there are several ways to help us as we prepare to go. As part of our program this year we will be giving each child a Bible so they can begin reading God’s Word. These children’s Bibles in Spanish cost about \$5 each and we will be purchasing 100 Bibles to take with us. If you would like to become a donor of the Bibles for Paujiles project, please contact Maxine Perry. There are also supplies that we purchase to use with the children during our time there. In the past, at the end of the VBS we have donated the school supplies to the school, but we discovered last year that the children do not have so much as a crayon of their own at home, so this year we are planning to put together a large baggie for each child with their needed school supplies and allow them to take it with them on the last day of VBS. The team has compiled a list of some of our needs and they are listed below:

- Children’s scissors (blunt)
- Stickers (Christian themes are great)
- Glue sticks
- Washable markers (both thin and broad)
- Boxes of Crayola crayons (24 count boxes only)
- Boxes of larger crayons (for kindergarteners)
- Pencils
- Pencil sharpeners
- Colored pencils
- Colored ink pads and Christian stamps
- Sunglasses for children ages 6-14
- Packages of colored construction paper
- Pony beads
- Gallon Ziploc bags
- Large Duplo blocks
- Playdoh
- animal stickers
- small bottles of bubbles
- watercolor paints and brushes
- wooden puzzles

Used CD players in good working condition for the classrooms are also welcome. If you have any questions concerning items to donate, please contact Maxine Perry, 349-3282. We are also working with the teachers to begin building a library for the school, so donations of children’s books in Spanish are especially welcome. Gaye O’Brien is coordinating the collection of books and anyone interested in making a donation toward the library are invited to contact Gaye at obrieng1@aol.com or Maxine Perry at dperry3603@aol.com. These items can be placed in the box marked VBS Mission Trip at the Missions Table on Sunday or they can be taken to the Administration Building during the week. Thank you in advance for assisting us in sharing God’s Love with these little ones. - 2011 VBS Mission Team

Philippians:

Mastering Life's Deathly Hallows A Garden Sermon Series

The letter to the Philippians was a real letter written to real people dealing with real life. The Apostle Paul, writing from jail, instructs the little community of believers in Philippi on how to find confidence, joy, peace, contentment and true happiness in the midst of difficulty, adversity, hardship, worry and anxiety. These are lessons that still apply today. Join us in The Garden for a 9-week series entitled, "Philippians: Mastering Life's Deathly Hallows" and discover how to respond faithfully when life is happening all around you.

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women's February Gathering will be held Friday, February 4 at 11:30 a.m. in the Campus Center. It will be a lunch and fashion show by Janet Carr. Please sign up under the Fellowship tree between services today.

ReHabitat for Humanity

Church of the Palms begins its next ReHabitat project on Saturday, February 5 at a home in Desoto Lakes (east of Lockwood Ridge and south of University Ave.). As usual the first day is for demolition. All interior doors, carpets, and cabinets must be removed. We also have a large storage shed and a brick barbecue to demo and a partial stone wall on the lawn. Sign up at the Habitat for Humanity exhibit today at the Mission Expo. Contact Tom Webber, 379-3500 or email webber.thom@gmail.com for more details or to volunteer.

Sarasota Pops

Sarasota Pops presents "Music from the Heart" on Sunday, February 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. True love, reflected through the beautiful strains of Lara's Theme from "Dr. Zhivago;" tragic love, with Prokiev's poignant Romeo & Juliet; unrelenting commitment, in the haunting melody from "The Mission;" sacrifice, in the unforgettable Broadway production "Les Miserable;" and romance, in Cimarosa's classic Oboe Concerto in C minor, featuring the Sarasota Pops' principal oboist, Michelle Nicolette. You are sure to leave with a song in your heart. Tickets are \$20 Premium, \$15 General and may be purchased online, sarasotapops.org. \$5 Student Tickets available at the door with valid ID.

Resurrection House "Replacing Homelessness with Hopefulness"

Today is the Mission Expo 2011 when you can stop by the RH booth and meet and chat with some of the staff from Resurrection House. The Expo will be open until 1:00 p.m. today. When bringing your donations, place items in a bag or container marked "RH" which helps for transporting and identification. Please drop off your donations in the Administration building. Thank you for caring.

Palm Singles

The Palm Singles over 50 club meets each Monday at 6:00 p.m. in the Campus Center for dinner and a program. Other events and activities are scheduled during the month. Dinner is \$8.00. For reservations or more information, call 924-7430.



Join Us for the next S.H.A.P.E. Class

Here's what one graduate of S.H.A.P.E. had to say: "SHAPE was a great way to make new friends, have fun, and learn about the spiritual gifts I have to offer to serve God and Church of the Palms." Through a series of mini lectures and small group discussions, you will begin the journey of discovering how God has uniquely gifted you to serve Him. Come discover your S.H.A.P.E. (Spiritual Gifts, Heart-passions, Abilities, Personalities, Experiences) in the Campus Center from 6:00-9:00 p.m. on Friday, February 4 and 9:00-4:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 5. Light refreshments will be provided, along with a lunch on Saturday. Register for the course online by February 2. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Baarson, 400-9391 or email Baarson@comcast.net.

Sanctuary Flower Sponsorship

You are invited to select your special Sunday to designate Sanctuary flowers in memory of a loved one, in honor of a special person or event, or just in thanksgiving to God. Contact Betsy Morris, 924-1323 and send a separate check of \$40.00 payable to "Church of the Palms" and marked "for flowers" to her attention in the church office. After worship, your gift continues as the Sanctuary flowers become part of the Visitation Ministry. Each week a Deacon personally delivers them to our members who are hospitalized or shut in. Your gift of flower sponsorship is a blessing in our worship and reaches beyond to show God's love.

Calling All Leaders

Are you a leader? Come join Pastor Steve in another Gathering on January 31 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Music and Arts Building. In November, we explored Spiritual Leadership as demonstrated by George Bailey in It's A Wonderful Life. In January, we will discuss "Being Church" together and then give you some coaching, resources and support to make your job easier, as a leader. This Gathering is for current and past elders and deacons, ministry team leaders as well as any of you who have felt the pull on your heart to be the kind of leader that Christ models for all of us. Please call the Church office, 924-1323, if you can be a part of this fun, yet informative evening.



You can't believe it! "Uh, Dad...I'm in jail." On that long drive down to the station, you think: How could this happen? Where did he go wrong? How did I fail him? In this time of pain, you need a caring listener who will help you sort through your feelings. A Stephen Minister would like to be there for you, trained to be on your side, and in complete confidentiality. Our congregation is committed to providing care to those who need it. To find out more about our Stephen Ministry, or to receive a Stephen Minister's care, you can use the Stephen Ministry request folder available in every pew rack, or feel free to call Pastor Bruce Hedgepeth, 924-1323.

Early Childhood Center Part-time Preschool Registration

The Early Childhood Center is ready to register your child in our part-time program for the 2011-2012 school year! Our preschool introduces children to a balanced program of learning through teacher directed and child initiated activities. Opportunities for 2, 3, and 4 year-old's are available. The ECC is a participant in the Florida Department of Education VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kinderergarten) Program. Registration for current part-time preschool students, siblings, and church members will begin on February 7. Contact Carol Stephen or Lorrie Young, 921-7892, for registration forms, pricing information and class options.

The Palms Bridge Club

We meet at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month in the Chapel Reception Room. We'd love to have you join us. Please contact Bam Justice, 343-0521 to make your reservation.

Let's Take Inventory - Volunteers Needed!

We still need help with the annual inventory of church property. If you would like to help, we need three more members who can write down a description of the church property, its location, and take a digital picture of each item. We will provide you the training needed. Only 2 to 3 weeks are needed to do the job. This is a program for insurance purposes in case of loss and is sponsored by the Emergency Planning Committee. Contact Chairman George Jenkins, 345-3243 or email uncgeorge@comcast.net for more information.

Back to Basics Tutoring

Volunteer for at least one hour per week to tutor one of the students on the waiting list and use your God given gifts of teaching, listening, encouraging and caring. Tutors are needed to tutor students in 1st to 12th grade in subjects ranging from elementary reading, math and writing to high school algebra, geometry, precalculus, chemistry, biology and Spanish. This one hour or more could be on Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. or between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. and/or Thursday between 2:30 and 5:30 p.m. Contact Ruby Dailey, 922-3294 or talk with her at the tutoring table under the Fellowship tree for more information and to volunteer.

C.O.P.'s Got Talent – Talent On Loan From God

Back by popular demand, the COP Talent Show will be held in the Campus Center on Friday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for dessert and the show and are going fast! The night's lineup includes "COP's Fabulous Calendar Girls" and the debut of the astounding "COP Marching Band!" There are still a few openings for acts in the show. If you have a talent you would like to share please contact the show producers, Carroll and George Jenkins, 378-7813. Purchase your ticket under the Fellowship tree.

Lost and Found

Throughout the year, we have gathered an assortment of glasses, jewelry, keys, and articles of clothing. Please stop by the Church office from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday to retrieve any of your lost items. We will donate any unclaimed items on January 31.

Family In-town Retreat

Sign up now to tackle the YMCA wall with none other than your family! Don't miss this family in-town retreat on February 11-12 led by Family Builders facilitator Tony Camp. The action-packed family communication building will take place here at church on Friday night from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and at the YMCA on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., including a wall-climbing/ropes course event. We will create lasting family memories and each family will grow as a team. Tony will teach us the skills to keep parent-child communication open, fun, and loving! Children and student ministries are teaming up to bring families this exciting family bonding experience. Contact Derek Thompson or Moira Dunn, 924-1323 for more details and to sign up!

Middle School Pulse

Middle school students and their friends are invited to join us for PULSE each Wednesday from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. Come up to Room 208/210 for dinner, wacky games, and great conversations about things that truly matter. We are on an exciting journey together as we learn that we are a part of something bigger than ourselves! Bring a friend and \$5 for food.

High School Student Ministry

Come find your place in student ministry with a small group. We are excited to unveil a transformation in student ministry as a few new small groups are launched for high school students and we introduce a monthly WOW event as a part of Thirty Three! The small groups will meet weekly for community building in Christ, Bible study, and discussions on a variety of topics relevant to student culture. Groups are starting now so contact Derek in the student ministry office to join a small group or for more information about this exciting ministry. Join us for the ThirtyThree Coffee House on February 20 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in Room 208/210!

Vacation Bible School Opportunity

Are you a little MANIA and looking for a volunteer opportunity? The Vacation Bible School is going PANDAMANIA this June, and we are looking for some WILD help, both hands-on and "behind-the-bamboo." Please check our table for detailed information on ways to serve our VBS children this summer.

Encourage The Elderly Service Project

You have not played BINGO until you've played with bright, smiling elderly folks! This is your opportunity to play BINGO at Sunnyside Nursing Home! Join student ministry on Saturday, February 5 from 1:45 to 3:00 p.m. to spread joy and youthful energy as part of our ongoing Isaiah 58 service project. Contact Derek Thompson or Moira Dunn for more information.

For more information or to RSVP for Student Ministry events, please contact Derek Thompson or Moira Dunn, 924-1323 or email dthompson@church-ofthepalms.org and mdunn@church-ofthepalms.org.

A Prayer For Your Week

Dear Father in Heaven,
We come before you knowing that family relationships are to be conducted in accordance with your Word.

We were given by you to be sons and daughters of earthly parents.
You would have us honor them – obeying their rules of discipline;
showing our fathers and mothers respect; listening when they speak, and bringing joy to their lives by our Christian living.

Thank you, Lord, for the influence and examples of Godly parents who have guided us in our spiritual and physical growth to this time. May we ever hold them up in prayer; loving and caring for them as you would have us do. In Jesus name, Amen.

Remember in Prayer

A newly revised weekly list of prayer requests is available on the literature racks, at the doors in the Sanctuary, the Campus Center, and the office. It contains people for whom there is a special concern as well as those who are serving in the military from Church of the Palms and a list of our supported worldwide and local mission projects and missionaries that appreciate our prayers. Our particular prayer request is to lift up our Prayer Anchor efforts for the country of Nigeria as we partner in prayer with Wycliffe Bible Translators and our Wycliffe mission partners, Dale and Carole Hoskins, who work with 24 of the 231 Bible-less people groups in Nigeria.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today, Sunday, January 30, 2011

8:30 a.m.	Mission Expo	Courtyard
8:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting	Chapel Study
8:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building
8:45 a.m.	Childcare	Room 101
9:00 a.m.	God's Kids Rehearsal	Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	See Page 8
9:00 a.m.	Faith Boosters (Children)	See Page 8
9:00 a.m.	The Garden Worship Service	Campus Center
9:00 a.m.	High School Sabbath	Room 208-210
9:00 a.m.	Middle School Sabbath	Room 209

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE (continued)

Today, Sunday, January 30, 2011 (continued)

9:15 a.m.	Seeds of Faith (Adult)	Room 211
9:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Kids of the Kingdom Rehearsal	Chapel
10:15 a.m.	Later Service Childcare (ages 2-7)	Room 108
10:30 a.m.	The Garden Worship Service	Campus Center
10:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Room 208-210
10:30 a.m.	Christians Under Construction	Room 209
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:00 p.m.	Honduras Mission Team	East Meeting Room
5:30 p.m.	Cry Out for Justice (Student Ministry)	Room 208-210

Monday, January 31, 2011

8:25 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
9:45 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
5:30 p.m.	Palm Singles	Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	String Class	Chapel Reception Room
6:30 p.m.	Leadership Forum	Music and Arts Building
6:45 p.m.	Beginning Orchestra	Chapel Reception Room
7:00 p.m.	Orchestra Rehearsal	Chapel Reception Room

Tuesday, February 1, 2011

7:00 a.m.	Men's Study and Breakfast	Off Campus
2:30 p.m.	Tutoring	Campus Center
3:45 p.m.	Ladies' Prayer Group	Room 211
5:30 p.m.	Creative Signers	Music and Arts Building
6:00 p.m.	C.S. Lewis Reading Group	Chapel Reception Room
6:30 p.m.	Financial Peace University	Room 208-210

Wednesday, February 2, 2011

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Chapel Reception Room
8:25 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
9:45 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
10:00 a.m.	PW Coordinating Team	Room 209
11:00 a.m.	Presbyterian Women Bible Study	Room 211
4:00 p.m.	Faith at Work	Chapel Reception Room
4:00 p.m.	Building and Grounds Committee	Room 211
5:00 p.m.	Dinner	Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	Pulse (Middle School)	Room 208-210
6:12 p.m.	Wednesdays @ 6:12	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	S.H.A.P.E. Coach Training	Music and Arts Building
7:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE (continued)

Thursday, February 3, 2011

2:30 p.m.	Tutoring	Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	The Garden Worship Team	East Meeting Room
6:30 p.m.	Companions in Christ	Room 209
7:00 p.m.	The Garden Worship Rehearsal	Campus Center
7:00 p.m.	High School Small Groups	Off Campus
7:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building
7:15 p.m.	The Palms Bridge Club	Chapel Reception Room

Friday, February 4, 2011

8:25 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
9:30 a.m.	Friday Morning Bible Study	Room 209
11:00 a.m.	PW Luncheon and Fashion Show	Campus Center
3:30 p.m.	Honduras Mission Trip	Off Campus
6:00 p.m.	S.H.A.P.E. Class	Campus Center

Saturday, February 5, 2011

7:30 a.m.	ReHabitat Project	Off Campus
8:45 a.m.	Stephen Ministry Training	Room 209
9:00 a.m.	S.H.A.P.E. Class	Campus Center
1:45 p.m.	Student Ministry Service Project	Off Campus

Sunday, February 6, 2011

8:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting	Chapel Study
8:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building
8:45 a.m.	Childcare	Room 101
9:00 a.m.	God's Kids Rehearsal	Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School	See Page 8
9:00 a.m.	Faith Boosters (Children)	See Page 8
9:00 a.m.	The Garden Worship Service	Campus Center
9:00 a.m.	High School Sabbath	Room 208-210
9:00 a.m.	Middle School Sabbath	Room 209
9:15 a.m.	Seeds of Faith (Adult)	Room 211
9:15 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Kids of the Kingdom Rehearsal	Chapel
10:15 a.m.	Later Service Childcare (ages 2-7)	Room 108
10:30 a.m.	The Garden Worship Service	Campus Center
10:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Room 208-210
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
3:00 p.m.	Sarasota Pops Concert	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Praise and Glory Singers Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building