

Church of the Palms

Worship

February 6, 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.

In Memoriam

We extend our Christian sympathy to the families of Jean Fleming, who died January 28; Catherine Bain and Sondra Thompson, who died January 30, 2011.

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

Prayers of Supplication & Intercession

Songs for Illumination

Proclamation

Philippians 2:19-20

Pastor Tim Reynolds

Responding To The Word

Celebration of the Eucharist

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 may be placed in the wheelbarrow up front.

Today we will celebrate “Kidz in the Garden” at the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the Garden. 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 inter-generational 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.

*Communion in The Garden @ Church of the Palms is received via intinction. When instructed by the Pastor, please proceed to the center aisle. Upon reaching the Table, break off a piece of bread, proceed to the cup on the side on which you are seated, and dip the bread in the cup. Anyone needing to be served in their seat is asked to remain seated; you will be served where you are.

Following the service, Pastor Tim will be available in front of the stage for anyone with comments, questions or concerns.

Worship in the Sanctuary

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 and 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

(9:15 a.m.) Temp Hamilton
(11:00 a.m.) Elizabeth Thomason

May our voices rise like trumpets to greet you, holy God. May our ears be attuned to know your ways. May our hearts be steady, focused on you. Praise be to you, O God, whom we worship with awe and delight. Guide us, we pray, in this time of worship. Touch us at the points of our deepest need. Stir us amidst our entrenched complacency. Make us strong to lose the bonds of injustice, to undo the things of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free. Then your light will break forth like the dawn and we will experience your healing care. Amen.

PRELUDE

“Rhondo Espressivo”
“Jesu, Lover of My Soul”

C.P.E. Bach
Sharon Rogers

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #260** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*SENTENCES OF PRAISE

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

David Sutton, Salvation Army

OFFERTORY

“I Lift My Heart”

arr. Hal Wright

Chancel Choir; Creative Signers: Valerie Alston, Linda Evans, Susy Welsh

Teach me your way, oh Lord, that I may walk in your truth.
Give me a heart, oh Lord, that only belongs to you.
Have mercy on me, Lord and hear my prayer.
I trust you to answer when I call.

In the day of trouble I know that your are near,
So unto you, my Lord, I lift my heart.
I lift my hands. I lift my praises to the sky.
I lift my voice. I lift my eyes.
I lift my head, my redemption's drawing nigh.

Jesus reigns as King forever.
His throne is established true and firm.
Let's give him all glory, honor, pow'r and praise.
And as we wait for his return, we lift our hearts.

We lift our hands. We lift our praises to the sky.
We lift our voice. We lift our eyes.
We lift our heads, our redemption's drawing nigh.
We lift our heads, our redemption's drawing nigh.

***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.**

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 4:1-16 (Pew Bible O.T. p. 3-4)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“So Close and Yet So Far” Dr. Stephen D. McConnell

HYMN #505 (seated)

“Be Known To Us In Breaking Bread”

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Lord's Prayer (together)

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.

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Praise

WE GO

***HYMN #359**

“More Love To Thee, O Christ”

***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.

Worship Leaders in the Sanctuary Today

Dr. Stephen D. McConnell	Senior 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

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 Margarett 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 conclude our unit “The Covenant.” The 1st Graders learn about Worship and Communion. The 1st and 2nd Graders are to be picked up in the Chapel immediately following the 9:15 a.m. service.

1st Grade	Worship	Chapel
2nd Grade	Zoom	Room 206
3rd Grade	Excitement	Room 207
4th & 5th Grades	Cyber	Room 202

**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

Tom Webber leads 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 Margarete Bliss, 359-6688.

Adult Spiritual Formation (continued)

C.S. Lewis Reading Group Led by Dr. McConnell Tuesday, February 15, 6:00 p.m. - Chapel Reception Room

We will be discussing Chapters 4-6 of Miracles by C.S. Lewis. Newcomers are welcome.



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 9, 5:00 p.m. - Campus Center

Join us for food, fun and fellowship. 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.

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

The Major Message of the Minor Prophets. Prophets offer instruction, warnings, comfort, and predictions based on current situations. We've completed our study of Hosea and Joel and will study Amos on February 11. Please join us.

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

February 16 – Parables of the Kingdom - Matthew 13

February 23 – Parables of the Kingdom (Part II) - Luke 14:16-24

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. You will receive information on becoming a student sponsor in the coming weeks.

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 #6 - "You shall not kill."

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. 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.

Sarasota Pops

Sarasota Pops presents "Music from the Heart" today 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.

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 Friday Night Dinner (And Meet A World Series Champion!)

Thanks to more than 70 men who joined us on Saturday, Jan. 22 for the Men's Breakfast and a chance to hear Pastor Bruce share details of his interesting life experiences and his path to ministry.

On Friday, February 25, we will host a Friday Night Dinner with a great dinner and a special guest speaker. This speaker grew up in Sarasota and went on to become a World Series champion. Here about his personal journey from enduring training camps, overcoming injuries and being involved in trades to making it to the pinnacle of baseball.

You can get more information and sign-up at the Palms Men table under the Fellowship tree. Invite a friend - You won't want to miss it!

PALMS' MEN 

Ushers Serving You in the Sanctuary in February

9:15 a.m. - Glynn Armitage, Jo Carter, Joe Cullen, Judy Falkenthal, Paul Gardner, Eugene Mangum, Bob and Janice McKee, Robert and Joyce Rietveld, Paul Ross, Tim Smith, Chuck Volkert, Ethel Webb, Darlene Yost. Co-Captains: Clayton Webb and Norm Yost.



11:00 a.m. - Walter and Norma Babjak, Elmer Compton, Dick Dyer, Pat Frazier, Jackie Garn, Len and Carole Higley, Bob Luedeka, Ben Morgan, Pete Phillips, Eleanor Smith, Peg Tonn, Paul and Margaret Wenger. Co-Captains: Larry Mulkey and Carol Spangle.

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.

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.

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 rakamphuis@aol.com, or visit the Mission table under the Fellowship tree today.

ReHabitat for Humanity

With the decks cleared for action, next week will concentrate on some serious painting inside and out. We hope to have our new home owners identified for everyone to get to know. The more volunteers, the merrier. Come join the fun. Contact Tom Webber, 379-3500 or email webber.thom@gmail.com for more details or to volunteer.

**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.

**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.

Vacation Bible School Help Needed

It's going to be PANDAMANIA!! We need your help during Vacation Bible School, June 13-17, both hands-on and "behind-the-bamboo." Contact Toni Gardner, 487-0177 or email toni@villagegardner.com.



It's Not Too Late To Get In S.H.A.P.E.

If you are wondering how God has uniquely designed you with spiritual gifts, passions, abilities, personality and experiences, so that you can serve Christ in a joy-filled way, then sign up for the next S.H.A.P.E. class. Led by Art Emrich and James Leake, you will enjoy mini-lectures, self-reflection worksheets and small group discussion. Join us on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. beginning March 8 and finishing on April 12. Go to our website to register online. Childcare will be provided. If you have questions, stop by the table under the tree or call Bob Baarson, 400-9391 or email Baarson@comcast.net.

**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-olds are available. The ECC is a participant in the Florida Department of Education VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten) Program. Registration for current part-time preschool students, siblings, and church members will begin tomorrow. Contact Carol Stephen or Lorrie Young, 921-7892, for registration forms, pricing information and class options.

“Thanks!” It’s a Household Word at Resurrection House

To volunteers at RH, one thing is sure. They discover every day, right away from the more than 200 who need to visit Resurrection House that these homeless individuals say very often, “thanks for your help.” They are so grateful. RH is Sarasota’s only daytime resource center for the homeless. It’s also known as “a life renewal center” and is called affectionately by many of its clients, “the Rez.” Its encouraging “get back on your feet” approach to the average homeless client’s dilemma is inspirational and helpful. Besides providing showers, laundry, caring counseling, medical services, haircuts, etc.-- donations from Church of the Palms (clothing, etc., new or used) get an “extra thanks.” Some specific needs right now are: men’s sneakers and underwear, toiletries, white crew socks, men’s pants, women’s jeans. Batteries also needed for battery-powered items, plus backpacks always are in short supply. Please continue to drop off your items in the Administration Building, in a bag or container marked “RH.” And “thanks!”

Back to Basics Tutoring

Volunteer for at least one hour per week to tutor a student on the waiting list and use your God given gifts of teaching, listening, encouraging and caring. Tutors are needed for students in 1st to 12th grade in subjects ranging from elementary reading, math and writing to high school algebra, geometry, pre-calculus, 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. There is a special need for middle school math tutors at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, since those students are in school until 4:15 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.



Annual Church Inventory

Help is still needed with the annual inventory of church property. We only need two more volunteers to get started. The work is easy. All you do is write down a description of the church property, its building location, and take a picture of each item. You may work when your schedule allows. We will provide the training needed. The inventory is done for insurance purposes, and is sponsored by the Emergency Planning Committee. Contact Chairman George Jenkins, 345-3243 or email uncgeorge@comcast.net for more information.

Loving Stitches

The Loving Stitches knitting, crocheting, quilting, and sewing group meets the fourth Friday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel Reception Room. We are always looking for new ideas, and folks to help with our projects. Contact Alberta Adams, 924-8464.

Family Builders Retreat - YMCA Wall Climbing

This action-packed family communication-building retreat, facilitated by Tony and Janae Camp, will take place here at church this Friday night from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and at the YMCA on Saturday from 8:30 am to 4:45 pm. It includes a wall-climbing/ropes course event. If you'd like to sign up, call Derek Thompson or Moira Dunn ASAP.

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.

Cry Out For Justice Awareness Event

The high school Cry Out for Justice Project will be participating in the Coalition for Immokalee Workers Advocacy March in Tampa on March 5th. Groups will be marching from multiple spots in Tampa and converging downtown to call attention to the plight of farm workers in Southwest Florida. Students will be meeting here at church and carpooling to Tampa. To get more information, or to sign up for this meaningful event, contact Derek Thompson.

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

There is no ThirtyThree tonight - enjoy the Superbowl with family and friends! Join us for the ThirtyThree Coffee House on February 20 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in Room 208/210. Bring a friend to this fun gathering to share stories, be entertained, and enjoy yummy coffee and treats!

Denver Door Mission Team Service Project And Gathering

The Denver DOOR Mission Team will be meeting for its first pre-trip service project on February 19 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. We are participating in a neighborhood outreach and cleanup at the Dream Center in downtown Sarasota. Come out to revitalize the physical environment and warm the hearts of people in need in our community. The Denver Mission Team will have another team-building gathering off-campus on Sunday, February 20 at 12:15 p.m. Please RSVP for both events to Derek Thompson or Moira Dunn.

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

A Prayer For Your Week

O Lord who guides our living,
You have given to all mankind the gift of precious life.
We mourn the violence and senseless loss of life reflected
in daily headlines; for your commandment is clear:
“Thou shall not murder.”

How swiftly life is taken at the hands of others in anger
or in acts of crime, and often without mercy.
We know that anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.

Speak to the those who have hate and envy in their hearts.
Quell their anger and contempt toward others - brothers, sisters, or
anyone who thinks differently, including those living as your disciples.
Teach us to live in peace and love as a society, nation, and world.
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, 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

Monday, February 7, 2011

8:30 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
5:30 p.m.	Palm Singles	Campus Center
6:00 p.m.	Worship, Music and the Arts	Chapel Reception Room
6:00 p.m.	String Class	Music and Arts Building
6:45 p.m.	Beginning Orchestra	Music and Arts Building
7:00 p.m.	Orchestra Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building
7:00 p.m.	The Garden Worship Committee	East Meeting Room
7:00 p.m.	Deacons	Chapel

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

7:00 a.m.	Men's Study and Breakfast	Off Campus
9:30 a.m.	Mary Circle	Room 209
9:30 a.m.	Rachel Circle	Room 208-210
9:30 a.m.	Naomi-Lydia Circle	Chapel Reception Room
12:00 p.m.	Children's Committee	Room 202
1:00 p.m.	Martha Circle	Chapel Reception Room
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
6:30 p.m.	Financial Peace University	Room 208-210

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE (continued)

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

7:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Chapel Reception Room
8:30 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
9:15 a.m.	Memorial Garden Board	Room 211
4:00 p.m.	Faith at Work	Chapel Reception Room
4:00 p.m.	Administration and Finance	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
7:30 p.m.	Men's Ministry Committee	Chapel Reception Room
7:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, February 10, 2011

9:30 a.m.	Mary Magdalene Circle	Chapel Reception Room
1:30 p.m.	Claudia Circle	Chapel Reception Room
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

Friday, February 11, 2011

8:30 a.m.	Women's Exercise	Campus Center
9:30 a.m.	Friday Morning Bible Study	Room 209
6:00 p.m.	In-Town Family Retreat	Campus Center

Saturday, February 12, 2011

7:30 a.m.	ReHabitat Project	Off Campus
8:30 a.m.	In-Town Family Retreat	Off Campus
8:45 a.m.	Stephen Ministry Training	Room 209

Sunday, February 13, 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

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE (continued)

Sunday, February 13, 2011 (continued)

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
10:15 a.m.	New Member Orientation	Chapel Reception Room
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
4:30 p.m.	Praise and Glory Singers Rehearsal	Music and Arts Building
7:00 p.m.	ThirtyThree (High School)	Room 208-210