

*Of Course He's Not Safe*



**NOVEMBER 15-17, 2024**  
**THE GROVE AT RED OAK LAKE**

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## **Main Speaker | Rev. Seth Starkey**

Seth is the pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church in Starkville, MS. He was born and raised in Greenville, SC. He is an only child, a lifelong Clemson fan, and misses his football playing days for a few weeks every fall.

He attended Newberry College in Newberry, SC, receiving a B.S. in Business Administration. After graduation, he began summer Greek and 3½ years later completed his Master of Divinity from Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte.

Seth is married to Laura Lee, who hails from Knoxville, TN. He and Laura Lee have 3 amazing children who bring joy and excitement to everyone they meet.

Prior to his time at Grace, Seth served as assistant pastor at Second Presbyterian Church in Greenville, SC, RUF campus minister at Belhaven University in Jackson, MS, and associate pastor at Madison Heights Church in Madison, MS.

### **Contact Information**

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### **Medical Information**

#### Walgreen's (24 Hour Pharmacy)

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#### Baptist Minor Medical

670 N Germantown Pkwy #18, Memphis, TN 38018

#### Saint Francis Hospital - Emergency Room

2986 Kate Bond Rd, Bartlett, TN 38133

## **Rules**

1. No guys in girls' cabins and no girls in guys' cabins, at any time, for any reason.
2. Attendance at all scheduled meetings is expected of every student.
3. Please be respectful towards The Grove staff and adult chaperones. Follow their instructions at all times.
4. Please be respectful with your personal technology. Turn off phones and electronic devices during large group.
5. Students who destroy property will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement of that property.
6. Any infraction of the conference rules can result in disciplinary action, which may include being sent home.

**Have a fun, safe weekend at CPYC!**

## Schedule

### Friday

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- 5:00 Check-In
- 7:00 Dinner (Group A)
- 7:30 Dinner (Group B)
- 8:00 Free Time
- Leader Meeting (Chickasaw Lodge)
- 10:30 Everyone in Cabins
- 11:00 Lights Out

### Saturday

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- 8:00 Breakfast (Group A)
- 8:30 Breakfast (Group B)
- 9:00 Devotionals/Prayer
- 9:30 Large Group & Small Groups
- 11:30 Lunch (Group A)
- 12:00 Lunch (Group B)
- 12:45 The Grove Activities
- 6:00 Dinner (Group A)
- 6:30 Dinner (Group B)
- 7:15 Large Group & Small Groups
- 9:00 Free Time
- 10:30 Everyone in Cabins
- 11:00 Lights Out

### Sunday

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- 7:30 Brunch (Group A)
- 8:00 Brunch (Group B)
- 8:30 Devotionals
- 9:00 Large Group
- 10:45 Pack Up and Clean Up

## **Dining Groups**

### **Group A**

TC Collierville, GCC Cordova, RRPC Germantown, CCC Hernando, CFC Horn Lake, RPC Memphis, CPC Olive Branch, CPC Somerville

### **Group B**

FPC Clarksdale, CPC Cleveland, WPC Greenwood, CPC Jackson, CPC Little Rock, CHPC Oxford, CPC Oxford, TFC Sherwood, GPC Starkville, LPC Tupelo

Refrigerators and microwaves are available  
in the Dining Hall and Pioneer Lodge.

**Saturday Morning Large Group Notes**

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## **Saturday Morning Devotional**

### **Read Titus 2:11-14**

"For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works."

It's a phrase that either my wife or I repeat every school day of the year. "Do y'all have everything you need in your backpack?" All of Scripture is God-breathed and therefore perfect and useful. However, there are some passages that really seem to summarize the whole story in a few sentences. The passage above is one that "has everything we need." Y'all are at an age where you're starting to really grasp that things in this fallen world aren't the way they're supposed to be. Adam and Eve really ate the fruit, the moment they ate of it they surely died, and we've been sewing our fig leaves to try and hide the wreckage ever since. Imagine the hope, then, that when we think about the wear and tear of life in a fallen world, we come across a verse that says, "the grace of God has appeared." That means there is hope, after all. It means that death is a reality, but not the final reality. It means that God didn't give up on rebellious mankind after the fall. It means His purpose in creation couldn't be destroyed even by sin.

## **Saturday Morning Devotional**

So, what good could possibly be good enough to overcome that awful moment in human history when the whole world was plunged into dying and death? The answer is the incarnation of Jesus. Don't you love how Paul simply refers to Jesus as "the grace of God" in the passage above? In one sense, we emphatically say as Christians that grace is not a thing, but rather a person, and His name is Jesus, and this Jesus is our Savior! The one thing we need more than anything else in this world is saving, because we can in no way, shape, or form save ourselves. This is exactly why, then, that when grace appears it brings salvation in its wake. "None but Jesus can do helpless sinners good."

Let's quickly get into three Bible words that every Christian needs to know. They are justification, sanctification, and glorification. This passage showcases all of them. I'll give you a hint, look for the "ing" words. Jesus brings salvation by justifying us. Because of his life, death, and resurrection we can celebrate that we have been pardoned of all our sins, and accepted as righteous in His sight, only because of the glorious gift of His righteousness given to us. In justifying us, Jesus has/is also sanctifying us. Because of Him, we have been renewed after the image of God and are enabled more and more to die unto sin and live unto righteousness. Paul refers to this work of sanctification using the word training. Think about why he chose the word training.

## **Saturday Morning Devotional**

We train in skills that don't necessarily come natural to us but are vitally important to learn. In our flesh, we love ungodliness, crave worldly desires, lose all control, and do what is right in our own eyes. Yet, united to Christ and in possession of the Holy Spirit, He is working in us to reorient our hearts and lives to the new identify we have been given as sons and daughters adopted by our loving heavenly Father. Well, this address what Jesus has done, and is doing in and through us, but wait, there's more. Not only has He justified us. Not only is He currently committed to sanctifying us, but we also live with the certain hope that He will one day glorify us. We will be saved to sin no more! No more, "I'm sorry." No more, "please forgive me." No more confession of sin in our worship services, we'll finally be perfect! Here's the trick, though. We are waiting for this reality to become one we fully enjoy. One day, whether in death, or in the final coming, we will see Jesus as He really is, and the word used to describe that glorious reunion is glory!

Here's the takeaway, then. We really do have everything we need to live faithfully as followers of Christ because He has secured all that we need to accomplish His will for our lives. Where have you been half-heartedly serving the Lord because you are convinced he'd never use someone like you?

## **Saturday Morning Devotional**

What secrets are tucked away in your heart causing your worship to grow cold and dim because you refuse to believe that grace brings salvation in the person of Jesus? Where is fear reigning in your life because you've forgotten that your future, in Christ, is certain perfection? Let Titus 2:11-14 reverberate through your hearts today and run to the Savior who is our justification, our sanctification, our glorification, our "everything we need!"



## **Sunday Morning Devotional**

### **Read Philippians 2:8-11**

"Moses came and recited all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Joshua the son of Nun. And when Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, he said to them, "Take to heart all the words by which I am warning you today, that you may command them to your children, that they may be careful to do all the words of this law. For it is no empty word for you, but your very life, and by this word you shall live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess."

While I know a few of you are here because a friend invited you (and we are so glad you're here. The weekend wouldn't have been the same without you.) and it seemed like a fun way to spend the weekend, most of you are here because you (or at least your parents) have a strong desire for you to know, love, and serve Jesus. One of the dangers, as Christians, is that we hear the same truths repeated so much to the point that they almost become dull or meaningless to us if we aren't careful. You've been told until you're blue in the face that we know God by reading our Bibles, praying, going to Church, etc. You're also at an age where you're starting to question all the advice you've heard and examining if it's true. Well, Deuteronomy 32 tells us that not only is it true, but it's even truer than we've likely imagined.

## **Sunday Morning Devotional**

If you'll allow me to paraphrase Moses for a minute, when he tells the Israelites to "take to heart" God's Word he's telling them to pay such careful attention to God's Word that it changes them every time they read it. There's no part of our being not affected by sin, and there's no part of our being not renewed by the saving grace of Jesus through His Word.

I think we do this subconsciously, but I can assure you every one of us listens to and reads something with intense clarity if we think it's going to benefit us. Not once have we had to say, "Mom what did you say?" when the conversation is about us getting our new favorite gaming system, iPhone, vacation, or car. Moses is saying to us this weekend, then, that God's Word is of greater value and benefit to our lives than everything else so don't miss a single word He is saying. I know we won't always feel like waking up early to read, pray, and enjoy sweet communion with God, but those moments are when we need His Word most. Why? Because His Word always gives us life. "For it is no empty word for you, but your very life." My friends, it'll be life giving, life changing, and life saving for us when start to wrap our hearts and minds around the reality that God's Word is a living Word and it is, for us, the guarantee that our God loves us.

## **Sunday Morning Devotional**

We call the Bible the "story of redemptive history." This means that while the Bible is made up of thousands of years, hundreds of characters, and a list of different genres, its singular purpose is to unfold the story of how Jesus has redeemed a people for His own possession in real space and time. So, Moses is not only telling the people that they'll live long in Canaan by God's Word, but also that they'll live with Jesus in the new heavens and the new earth forever. Guess what, that is what the Bible is ultimately telling us, too. Yes, we learn the history of our people. Of course, we learn God's law and His extensive lists of commandments and precepts that unfold His character for us. We love and lean into the new kingdom ethic unfolded for us in the Sermon on the Mount. All of that, however, is a part of the overarching theme of Jesus taking on flesh, living a perfect life, dying on the cross, and rising again gloriously and victoriously on the 3rd day so that ALL His people would be freed from their sins FOREVER. This is what we find in His Word. It's good news that never goes bad. It's a fountain of life for us when we feel surrounded by death.

## **Sunday Morning Devotional**

So, for some of us, we've already leaned into this reality and simply need to keep rehearsing it more and more. For many of us, we've got to retrain our minds to what God's Word really is and how it works in our lives. It's not a cold book full of condemnation. It's the greatest story every told. Let me challenge you to commit yourselves for the rest of this year to meeting God where He has promised He can be found. If you do that, here's a promise I can make to you. You'll find our God more kind, gracious, patient, and loving towards you than you ever thought possible. Even when He convicts us, He builds us back up. Even when He says no, He gives us a far better yes. Even when He takes away, He adds something that much better. As we crack the covers of our Bibles, the primary takeaway we're always looking for is what He's done for us. Then, and only then, can we rightly understand the great privilege of living a life solely for Him. It'll be a journey well worth your while.

# Campus Map

