

Morning Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
January 24, 2010
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

*Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.
Also, if you need to leave the Sanctuary for any reason, please use the exits at the back
of the Sanctuary.*

*We appreciate your assistance as we seek to maintain a proper worship environment
for everyone present.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Revelation 5:11-14

- Leader:** Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders.
- People:** **In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"**
- Leader:** Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"
- ALL:** **The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Worship Christ the Risen King
Hymn #286

**** The Invocation**

**** The Apostles' Creed**

“I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.”

The First Scripture Lesson

¹These are the commands, decrees and laws the LORD your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, ²so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the LORD your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life. ³Hear, O Israel, and be careful to obey so that it may go well with you and that you may increase greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the LORD, the God of your fathers, promised you. ⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. ¹⁰When the LORD your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, ¹¹houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied, ¹²be careful that you do not forget the LORD, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹³Fear the LORD your God, serve him only and take your oaths in his name. ¹⁴Do not follow other gods, the gods of the peoples around you; ¹⁵for the LORD your God, who is among you, is a jealous God and his anger will burn against you, and he will destroy you from the face of the land. ¹⁶Do not test the LORD your God as you did at Massah. ¹⁷Be sure to keep the commands of the LORD your God and the stipulations and decrees he has given you. ¹⁸Do what is right and good in the LORD's sight, so that it may go well with you and you may go in and take over the good land that the LORD promised on oath to your forefathers, ¹⁹thrusting out all your enemies before you, as the LORD said.

The Confession of Our Sins & Assurance of Pardon

“Receive my confession, O most loving and gracious Heavenly Father, through the Lord Jesus Christ, the only hope for the salvation of my soul. Grant to me true contrition, so that day and night I may be sorry from the heart for my sins. Savior of the world, O good Jesus, who gave yourself to the death of the cross to save sinners, look upon me, most wretched of all sinners; have pity on me, and give me the light to know my sins, true sorrow for them, and a firm purpose of never committing them again. Amen.”

Special Music

The Second Scripture Lesson

⁷The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray. ⁸Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. ⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

I Peter 4:7-11

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
Gratitude Changes Everything - Hayes

**** Offertory Hymn**
Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting
Hymn #188

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

¹⁷I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things have I given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you. ¹⁸O LORD, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Israel, keep this desire in the hearts of your people forever, and keep their hearts loyal to you.

I Chronicles 29:17-18

The Offertory
Deep River - Hayes

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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**
Trust and Obey
Hymn #672
(vs. 1, 3, and 5 only)

**** Benediction**

Postlude
Polleri

*** 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. For questions or to share a prayer concern, call the office at 774-3881, ext. 700 or email us at: church@seminolepca.org.

Emergency Contact Number For Fridays

If you have any urgent or emergency needs on Fridays, please feel free to contact Ruling Elder Chip Johnson at (813) 857-3915.

Deacons' Mercy Line (813) 774-3881, Ext. 744

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call this church phone extension; a deacon generally checks the line daily.

SPC Family Matters

- **Assistance for Esaie and Natacha Etienne & Family** - As many of you know, our Presbytery supported missionary to Haiti, Esaie Etienne, was able to get his wife and children to safety (out of Haiti and to Natacha's mother's home in South Florida), but to do so, they had to leave with literally the clothes on their backs. If you have a desire to help Natacha and her boys directly (money for clothes, food and anything else that may be helpful as they rebuild their life), please feel at liberty to send her gift cards/certificates. Stores near her are Ross, JC Penny, and Macy's (for clothes/home goods), and there is also a Publix, Winn Dixie, and Albertson's within a mile of her mom's house. Gift cards *of any denomination* would be very useful and greatly appreciated. Please send your gift card and perhaps a note of encouragement directly to her at the address listed below:

Natacha Etienne
7836 Venetian St.
Miramar, FL 33023

Also, please continue to pray for Esaie's continued safety in Haiti. Natacha does not know when yet, but at some point Esaie will return at least for a visit.

- Our deepest Christian sympathy goes out to the family of long time church member, Eva McMillan, who passed away Wednesday evening, January 20. Particularly, please keep Eva's daughter and son-in-law, Darlene & Romen Deda, in your prayers as they make arrangements for a memorial service and deal with other matters associated with Eva's estate, belongings, etc. A memorial service will be held **Sunday, January 31 at 2:00 PM at Tims Memorial Presbyterian Church** located at 601 Sunset Lane, Lutz, FL 33549-3858. For more information or directions, please contact Tims Memorial at (813) 949-1239.

Sunday School and Youth Small Groups

Children & Youth Sunday School

Sunday School	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson w/ Alina Sanchez	#115
Ages 4-5 / K4-K5	Tami Pothoven & Jane Lambers	#111
Ages 6-8 / 1 st – 3 rd Grade	Debbie Vincent w/ Cathy Armstrong	#109
Ages 9-10 / 4 th -5 th Grade	Alex & Kelly Fernandez	#107
Jr. High / 6 th -8 th Grade	Jamie Dalton/Brian Waugh	#105
Sr. High / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven	#101

Youth Sunday School Descriptions

High School - Room 101

Teachers: Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven

Discovering God's Kingdom Purpose (introduction to missions): I warn you, do not take this course if you wish to remain a comfortable Christian! This is a course on world missions. That means it is about God and what God is doing. Our goal is to discover that missions is not only for missionaries, but the whole church. Therefore, our desire is not to transform you into a missionary per se, (though we are certainly open to that) but to inspire you and motivate you to action on behalf of your part in world missions. Don't miss out on the adventure! We will be looking at missions from a theological, historical, strategic, and cultural perspective.

Middle School - Room 105

Teacher: Jamie Dalton/Brian Waugh

Promises, Promises (all about the Covenant): Have you ever made a promise and kept it? Have you ever broke a promise? In this course we will see that God made a promise to save His people. He calls this promise a covenant. A covenant is like an agreement between two or more people. However, the good news is that even when we broke our end of the covenant, God didn't break his part. In fact, through Jesus Christ, he kept both his part and our part! Salvation is all of God and Jesus is the ultimate covenant keeper. Come and learn the story of God working out this Good News in history! (*Great Commission Publications curriculum*)

Youth Small Groups (Evenings)

Additionally, for the youth (MS & HS) on Sunday evenings, there are small groups from 5:30 - 7:30 pm to which all middle and high school students are invited. The groups resumed last week at Ben and Jane Lambers' home. For directions or more information, please call the Lambers at 915-9002 or Danny Dalton at 767-7016.

Adult Sunday School

Walden Class - Room 108

Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest

Today the Walden adult Sunday school class will be studying First Samuel chapter three. The quote for this morning is found in verse 3:18 where Eli says to the young man Samuel: "He is the Lord: let Him do what is good in His eyes." Even in Christian circles today that kind of thinking is looked upon as old fashion! Pastor John has been teaching the value of suffering in the life of a Christian the past several Sundays. In preparation for the lesson this week, I became aware just how connected suffering is with old Eli's comment to Samuel. We'll be talking about that among other things in class today so you won't want to miss joining us. It is important that you do not let the parking lot pull you away from fellowship and class time on Sunday morning. I am praying that every adult in Worship will stay over for fellowship and class in 2010, and that God will increase our borders. Remember the best way to prepare for the events in your life in the coming week is to start off on the right foot.

In preparation for class today, you can read I Sam. 3:1-22. It was brought out in class last week by one of our class mates that the principles taught to Samuel by God, through the life of Eli, manifested themselves in how Samuel held King Saul accountable for his actions and disobedience when he failed to follow directions. There are very important lessons for us in these wonderful Old Testament accounts. Join us after fellowship time in Room 108 today and be blessed as the Holy Spirit provides opportunity for growing our faith.

Foundations in Reformed Theology – Room 102

Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto

In this class we will be covering topics of theology from a Reformed and Presbyterian perspective using R.C. Sproul's book, *Essential Truths of the Christian Faith*. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in Adult Sunday School Room 102 for this new class. It could bring enlightenment and understanding to your view of theology, God & the Bible. This class will run from January 10th through March 28th.

This Week at SPC ~ January 24 – 30

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

Youth (MS/HS) Small Groups
@ the Lambers' home; 5:30 pm

TUESDAY: Ladies Bible Study @ Keen's
home; 7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

THURSDAY: Ladies Bible Study @ St. Paul LC
Room 108; 10:00 am

Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

FRIDAY: Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am

SATURDAY: Officer Retreat, 8 am



February 2: Session Meeting, 7 pm

SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 130

Last Sunday's Offering: \$6,600.50

*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><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>	<u><i>Banner Bearer</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Grace Keen</i>	<i>Ashley Johnson</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	<i>Kate Melendi</i>	<i>Mikayla Koehler</i>
<i>Feb. 7</i>	<i>Kelly Melendi</i>	<i>Kendall Melendi</i>	<i>Mikayla Koehler</i>

Children's Church for children in K4/K5 meets in Room 111.

Nursery & Coffee Volunteers

	<i>Nursery Volunteers</i>	<i>Coffee Volunteers</i>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Carolyn Keen</i>	<i>Ron & Marilyn Quick</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Amanda Waugh</i>	<i>Brian Waugh & DJ Koehler</i>
<i>Feb. 7</i>	<i>Tara Carrillo</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>

January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Don Hamilton 1/1
Brianna Connolly 1/5
Ashley Johnson 1/6
AJ Boodoosingh 1/10
Kourtney Melendi 1/11
Jake Beckel 1/12
Tara Carrillo 1/12
Randy Johnson 1/13
Sheila Colbert 1/14

Debbie Vincent 1/20
Peggy Saavedra 1/20
Virginia Griffith 1/25
Ronald Quick 1/25
Laura Strickland 1/27
Bryce Connolly 1/28
Joe Blue 1/30
Lindsay Trim 1/30

Anniversaries

Glen & Virginia Dohle 1/12
Bill and Pam Bergen 1/19

Prayer Requests

Pray for those who are sick or are recovering from illness:

- Jon Irwin (MD)
- Kathy VanRiper (Danny Dalton's sister; metastatic cancer)

Pray for those seeking employment or better employment:

- Elaine Crescent (a more permanent position)
- Amarnath Boodoosingh
- Matthew Mattice

Pray for our missionaries:

- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS in Papua New Guinea
- Marc & Aline Mailloux, Mission to the World - ministry to French speaking people in South Florida and the Caribbean
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development

Prayer / Praise:

- Pray for the safety of our presbytery supported missionary in Haiti, Esaie Etienne, as he stays in Haiti to minister. Pray for his wife and children who are now stateside and trying to rebuild their lives following this devastation.
- Pray for our brothers and sisters in Haiti recovering from the recent earthquake.
- Pray for the Dalton's Winter Haven home to sell quickly!

E-mail: prayer-list@lists.seminolepca.org