

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
February 12, 2012
Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

When Peace Like a River - arr. Hayes

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

1 Timothy 1:15-17

Leader: Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance:
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I
am the worst.

People: **But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me,
the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his
unlimited patience as an example for those who would
believe on him and receive eternal life.**

ALL: **Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Hymn #38

**** 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

¹ The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, ² “When anyone has a swelling or a rash or a bright spot on his skin that may become an infectious skin disease, he must be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons who is a priest. ³ The priest is to examine the sore on his skin, and if the hair in the sore has turned white and the sore appears to be more than skin deep, it is an infectious skin disease. When the priest examines him, he shall pronounce him ceremonially unclean. ⁴ If the spot on his skin is white but does not appear to be more than skin deep and the hair in it has not turned white, the priest is to put the infected person in isolation for seven days. ⁵ On the seventh day the priest is to examine him, and if he sees that the sore is unchanged and has not spread in the skin, he is to keep him in isolation another seven days. ⁶ On the seventh day the priest is to examine him again, and if the sore has faded and has not spread in the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean; it is only a rash. The man must wash his clothes, and he will be clean. ⁷ But if the rash does spread in his skin after he has shown himself to the priest to be pronounced clean, he must appear before the priest again. ⁸ The priest is to examine him, and if the rash has spread in the skin, he shall pronounce him unclean; it is an infectious disease. ⁹ “When anyone has an infectious skin disease, he must be brought to the priest. ¹⁰ The priest is to examine him, and if there is a white swelling in the skin that has turned the hair white and if there is raw flesh in the swelling, ¹¹ it is a chronic skin disease and the priest shall pronounce him unclean. He is not to put him in isolation, because he is already unclean. ¹² “If the disease breaks out all over his skin and, so far as the priest can see, it covers all the skin of the infected person from head to foot, ¹³ the priest is to examine him, and if the disease has covered his whole body, he shall pronounce that person clean. Since it has all turned white, he is clean. ¹⁴ But whenever raw flesh appears on him, he will be unclean. ¹⁵ When the priest sees the raw flesh, he shall pronounce him unclean. The raw flesh is unclean; he has an infectious disease. ¹⁶ Should the raw flesh change and turn white, he must go to the priest. ¹⁷ The priest is to examine him, and if the sores have turned white, the priest shall pronounce the infected person clean; then he will be clean.

⁴⁵ “The person with such an infectious disease must wear torn clothes, let his hair be unkempt, cover the lower part of his face and cry out, ‘Unclean! Unclean!’ ⁴⁶ As long as he has the infection he remains unclean. He must live alone; he must live outside the camp.

Leviticus 13:1-17; 45-46

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

The Confession of Our Sins

Most 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

³¹ So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. ³² Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God— ³³ even as I try to please everybody in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved.

1 Corinthians 9:19-23; and, 10:31-33

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

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Anthem

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need - arr. Mack Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name;
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake his ways,
And leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.
But like a child at home, but like a child at home.

The Third Scripture Lesson

⁴⁰ A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, “If you are willing, you can make me clean.” ⁴¹ Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” ⁴² Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured. ⁴³ Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: ⁴⁴ “See that you don’t tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them.” ⁴⁵ Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

Mark 1:40-45

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

**** Offertory Hymn** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Hymn #32

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

³⁰ “A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD. ³¹ If a man redeems any of his tithe, he must add a fifth of the value to it. ³² The entire tithe of the herd and flock—every tenth animal that passes under the shepherd’s rod—will be holy to the LORD. ³³ He must not pick out the good from the bad or make any substitution. If he does make a substitution, both the animal and its substitute become holy and cannot be redeemed.”

Leviticus 27:30-33

The Offertory

Praise to the Lord - arr. Bruce Greer

*PLEASE FILL OUT THE CONNECTION CARD IN THE BULLETIN
TO INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE.*

**** The Doxology**

(Hymn # 731)

Children K4 – K5 may be dismissed to Children's Church.

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

**** Glorifying God in Song**
My Faith Has Found a Resting Place
Hymn #468

**** Benediction**

Postlude
Allegro Maestoso - G. F. Handel

*** 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.

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



This is Culture Tap! - Join us as we tap into themes of philosophy, worldviews, faith, and relationships as they are used in film. **THIS Saturday, February 18**, we will meet at Alex & Kelly Fernandez' home (12705 Waterbury Lane;

Tampa 33618) beginning at **7:30 pm** for a time of fellowship, film selection, and discussion following the film. The film will be *Crazy, Stupid, Love*. One and all are welcome to join in the fun and discussions. Call Kelly to RSVP: 813-969-3610.

SO LONG, FAREWELL, AUF WIEDERSEHEN, GOODBYE!



We sadly say “goodbye” to long-time church member, Virginia Griffith, who is moving to the Gainesville area to be closer to family. Virginia has been in Tampa for more than 50 years, moving here in 1954 with her husband and young son. Further, she has been a faithful member of Seminole for more than 23 years. Needless to say, Virginia will be greatly missed by all of us here at Seminole! May God bless you, Virginia, in your new home!



Ines Biedronski has a new address:

14505 Highland Hills Place
Tampa, FL 33625

Spring Picnic!



It is time for our annual spring pic-a-nic! Please make plans to join us **Saturday, March 3** at **11:00 am** for SPC's Church Picnic at Lowry Park in Tampa. We will gather in Shelter #120, which is just off of North Boulevard and Flora Avenue. *SPC will provide hamburgers/hotdogs (and the trimmings) and drinks; you are asked to bring a side-dish or dessert to share.*

We need volunteers to make this event a success! Help is needed to assist our chef, Randy Johnson. If you can help, contact Jackie ASAP!



Be "smarter than the average bear" and RSVP today if you are planning to attend!

813.220.4095 or jtoenes@seminolepca.org

Church Canoe Trip



Make plans now to join in the fun on **Saturday, April 28** when we will launch canoes from *Wilderness Park – Morris Bridge* beginning at **9:30 am**. We will travel as a group 4 miles downstream on the Hillsborough River to *Wilderness Park – Trout Creek* where we will join in a time of fellowship with each other around 12:00 pm at the River Shelter (closest to the river). ***RSVP now for a spot in one of the church's canoes – seats are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis.*** If you have your own canoe, you are more than welcome to join the SPC Flotilla (just let Jackie know you're interested in being a part)! ***Contact Jackie Toenes with questions, for reservations, and/or directions: 220-4095 or jtoenes@seminolepca.org.***

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer/Praise:

- Marty Zak – leg fracture; testing
- Marsha Craig – upcoming knee surgery
- Alina Sanchez' father; back issues
- Connie Frail; knee surgery recovery

Pray for those seeking employment or better employment:

- Elaine Crescent
- Amarnath Boodoosingh

Pray for our missionaries:

- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS; on furlough
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF

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

Christian Education – Adults, Youth, & Children

Class/Grade	Class Teacher(s)	Class Room
Ages 2-3 / Toddlers	Bev Thomson	#115
Ages 4-6 / K4–1 st Grade	Jamie Dalton & Jane Lambers	#109
Ages 7-8 / 2 nd –3 rd Grade	Laura Strickland & Lisa Johnson	#111
Ages 9-10 / 4 th –5 th Grade	Alex & Kelly Fernandez	#105
Jr. High / 6 th –8 th Grade	Gregg Quick	#107
Sr. High / 9 th –12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Bill Earnest	#108
Adult – Apologetics	Joe DeNitto	Church Office
Adult – Theology of the Christian Faith: III	Ben Lambers	#102

Current Adult Classes

Walden Class – Update - Room 108

Teacher: Elder Bill Earnest

The Walden class is made up of folks of all ages, from young adult to those in their late eighties. From a group such as that you may well imagine the range of perspective the discussions take. This class is a Bible study class, open to class discussion, questions, and comments. We study Old Testament as well as New Testament books. If this sounds like your kind of Bible study then by all means come and join us. Our worship service is conducive to the study of solid spiritual food, the encouragement to practice what we learn and to follow the leading of Micah 6:8: "To act justly, To love mercy, To walk humbly with our God". The Walden class meets in each Sunday morning from 10:45 to 11:45 with greetings, prayer for the needs of God's people, and Bible study. Come join us, you are most welcome!

Apologetics (Defending Your Faith) - Church Office

Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto

Have you ever been challenged about your Christian faith by non-believing family members, friends or co-workers? Do you avoid arguments about the existence of God? Do you find it difficult to express your beliefs in meaningful ways, when questioned by those who don't share your beliefs? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this class is for you. Together, we will explore the two main methods of Christian defense for our beliefs. We will study the existence of God, the origin and existence of evil, and the problem of pain, in ways that are relevant to today's culture. As it says in 1Peter 3:15 "But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect ...". Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the church office for this new class, as we "take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ" (2Corinthians 10:5b).

Theology of the Christian Faith: III – Room #102

Teacher: Ben Lambers

Join Ben Lambers as he leads us through another portion of the Westminster Confession of Faith. In this class, we will cover chapters #16-24 and discuss topics such as "What makes a good work good?" "Can Christians lose their salvation?" "Can someone have full assurance that they are saved?" In addition to these very practical questions we will also discuss God's law, Christian freedom, worship and the Sabbath, oaths & vows, how we are to relate to our government, and marriage. (And don't worry, you do not need to have attended Theology I and II to enjoy and benefit from this class.)

This Week at SPC ~ Feb. 12 – Feb. 18

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

MS/HS Youth Small Groups:
Lambers' Home, 5:30 pm
Providing Snacks
This Week: Lambers
Next Week: No Small Group

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY: Seniors' Covenant Group; 10 am

February 17 – 20: Youth YOWAW Conference

SATURDAY: Culture Tap @ Alex & Kelly Fernandez'
home, 7:30 pm



February 24 & 25: Women's Ministry Dinners

March 3: SPC Spring Picnic

April 28: Canoe Trip



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 160

Last Sunday's Offering: \$9,106.15

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>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	<i>Eva White</i>	<i>Grace Keen</i>	<i>Julia White</i>
Next Week:	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>	<i>Nicholas Lambers</i>	<i>Maggie Groomes</i>
Feb. 26:	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Grace Gartman</i>	<i>Sammy Fernandez</i>

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

Coffee Volunteers

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Today:	<i>Steve Strickland</i>
Next Week:	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
Feb. 26:	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

<i>Rob Edwards 2/2</i>	<i>Sara Royer 2/21</i>
<i>Jackie Toenes 2/7</i>	<i>Sarah Zak 2/22</i>
<i>Grace Keen 2/9</i>	<i>Pam Irwin 2/22</i>
<i>Lois Callen 2/12</i>	<i>Sadie Edwards 2/25</i>
<i>Alex Johnson 2/13</i>	<i>Danny Dalton 2/26</i>
<i>Nora Fernandez 2/13</i>	<i>Jon Irwin 2/28</i>
<i>Connie Trim 2/13</i>	
<i>Chip Royer 2/14</i>	

Anniversaries

<i>Chris & Cindy Kladakis 2/19</i>	<i>Johnny & Glenda Fellows 2/21</i>
<i>Steve & Eva White 2/20</i>	<i>John & Marilyn Horst 2/28</i>

SERMON NOTES