

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
January 6, 2013
Epiphany Sunday

*Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.
If you need to leave the Sanctuary, please use the exits at the back.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

We Three Kings - John Hopkins/Alex Wyton

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 72:1-8

- Leader: Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.
- People: He will judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.**
- Leader: The mountains will bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness.
- People: He will defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; he will crush the oppressor.**
- Leader: He will endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon, through all generations.
- People: He will be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth.**
- Leader: In his days the righteous will flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.
- ALL: He will rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**
O Worship the King
Hymn #2

**** 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 "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. ² See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. ³ Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴ "Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. ⁵ Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. ⁶ Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD. ⁷ All Kedar's flocks will be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth will serve you; they will be accepted as offerings on my altar, and I will adorn my glorious temple.

Isaiah 60:1-7

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

Musical Offering

The Confession of Our Sins

“Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; we acknowledge and confess our many sins; which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed; by thought, word, and deed; against Thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent; and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings—the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us; have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for Thy son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake; forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life; to the honor and glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Assurance of Pardon

The Installation of New Church Officers

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹ For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ² Surely you have heard about the administration of God’s grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God’s holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. ⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God’s grace given me through the working of his power.

Ephesians 3:1-7

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

God of Grace and God of Glory –
Harry Fosdick and John Hughes

God of grace and God of glory,
On Thy people pour Thy pow'r.
Crown Thine ancient church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom; Grant us courage
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn
Thy Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom; Grant us courage
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Set our feet on lofty places;
Gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces,
In the fight to set men free;
Grant us wisdom; Grant us courage
That we fail not man nor Thee,
That we fail not man nor Thee.
God of grace and glory!

The Third Scripture Lesson

¹ After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem ² and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.” ³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. ⁴ When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written: ⁶ “But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.” ⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. ⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.” ⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. ¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. ¹² And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Matthew 2:1-12

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

**** Offertory Hymn**
Holy God, We Praise Your Name
Hymn #103

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

⁹Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;
¹⁰then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over
with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10

The Offertory

*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**

What Wondrous Love is This

Hymn #261

(vs. 1-2)

**The Words of Institution
&
The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

Wine is served in the outer ring, grape juice in the inner rings.

**** Glorifying God in Song**

What Wondrous Love is This

Hymn #261

(vs. 3)

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Sent Forth By God's Blessing - arr. Kenneth Kosche

*** 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



Removing of the Greens

THIS Saturday, January 12 @ 9 am – Unhanging of the Green & General Grounds Workday We'll need a bit of help taking down the decorations. Also, there are some projects for the grounds that need to be tended to such as weeding flower beds. See you there!

Costa Rica Mission Trip (For High School Students) Information Meeting

If you are a high school student or a parent of a high school student (rising 9th graders-outgoing 12th graders), and you have an interest or are just curious about the upcoming Costa Rica Missions Trip, this information meeting is for you! Questions, questions, questions will be answered ...

Cost? Safety? Purpose? Expectations? Preparations? Cross-Cultural Ministry? Language? Food? Et cetera... This brief meeting will present the basic purpose and expectations of this trip and answer any questions you may have. Come one, come all:



**TODAY!
12:00 NOON; LUTHER TOWER**



Middle School/High School Youth Group – will resume on Sunday, January 20 in Luther Tower from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

Wine in Communion



For the past several months, the Session of Seminole Presbyterian Church has engaged in discussion regarding the use of wine in our observance of Holy Communion. Obviously, grape juice is the current element we employ, in lieu of wine, whenever we enjoy the LORD'S table together. The Session is cognizant of the fact that this has been the standard practice at

Seminole Presbyterian Church for many years. Nevertheless, the Session is equally aware of the fact that wine (*i.e. the "fruit of the vine"*) is the element employed by our LORD in his institutional words for this sacrament (Mark 14:24-25).

With the aforementioned in mind, the Session reached a unanimous conclusion regarding this matter during our most recent monthly meeting to incorporate the use of wine (along with grape juice), whenever we enjoy the sacrament of Holy Communion together.

Obviously, we will experience a period of "trial and error" (*i.e., we do not know exactly how many of our congregants will prefer wine to grape juice, etc.*), as we implement the element of wine. *Therefore, for today, the first Sunday of January, **the wine will be served in the outer ring of the communion tray**, whereas the grape juice will be served in the remaining spaces in all the inner rings.* We can adjust the amounts of wine and grape juice accordingly subsequent to today's communion service. Please see any one of our elders should you have questions.

"Loving Relationships": A Women's Retreat

When: *Friday evening, February 22 to
Saturday February 23, 2013*

Where: Dayspring Conference Center, Ellenton, Florida

What we will study: Over the course of the retreat, we will be studying God's word to learn more about our Lord and Savior and what He desires from our relationships, *especially the challenging ones*. This will be almost 24 hours of fellowship, worship, rest and fun-- all dedicated to drawing closer to God and one another!

Details: The cost of the retreat (including 1 night's stay and 3 meals) will be between \$65-95, depending on the level of accommodation requested. **Registration forms and a \$20 deposit are due by January 13, 2013. Final remaining payment is due by January 31, 2013.**
Scholarships may be available.

For Registration Forms or More Info:

Please contact Kelly Fernandez at
813-420-8662 or kellyjfernandez@hotmail.com.



Church Directory

Church Directory Update

Our church directory is long over due for an update. Please stop by one of the clipboards in the fellowship hall, review and update your information as necessary. If no changes are needed, then please initial your entry. Any questions? See or contact Jackie Toenes

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer/Praise:

- Kim Dostal (DIL of Judy Dostal) & Alan Dostal (Judy's husband)
- Servy & Raquel Fernandez – parents' health issues; Servy's new business
- Amarnath Boodoosingh – better employment

Pray for our missionaries & supported ministries:

- Scott & Kathy Craig, MTW/Short-term Team Coordinators (Costa Rica)
- Costa Rica Mission Project: Birth of a New Presbyterian Church
- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS (Papua New Guinea)
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development nationwide
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF
- Joel DeVictoria, Berea Presbyterian Church (Winter Haven)
- Steve Light, Sojourner Presbyterian Church (USF Area)

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 4-5 / K4-K5	Jane Lambers & Liz Hickerson	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 st - 2 nd Grade	Lisa Johnson & Laura Strickland	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd -5 th Grade	Therese McKenzie & Cathy Armstrong	#107
Jr. High / 6 th -8 th Grade	Steve Pothoven & Brian Waugh	The Tower
Sr. High / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Church & Sacraments	Ben Lambers	#102
Adult – Esther	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

Current Adult Classes

Walden Class – Room 108

Teacher: Matthew McKenzie

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. The length of time (weeks) to complete a Study depends on the class participation and the discussion level generated by a particular text. We do keep a schedule, but are open to the leading of God's Holy Spirit and follow where scripture leads. 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!

Theology 401: The Church and Sacraments - Room 102

Teacher: Ben Lambers

This is the fourth of four classes as we study the Westminster Confession of Faith. We will cover chapters #25-33 discussing topics such as, "What does it mean to be a member of the church?" "What are the Sacraments?" "How do the Sacraments effect my faith?" "What is church discipline?" "What happens to Christians when they die?" and "What exactly is the Last Judgment?" Do you have a biblically informed answer to these questions? Come join us as we conclude our study of the best summary of Sacred Scriptures teachings. *(Please note, attendance at prior Westminster Confession classes is not required to benefit from this session.)*

Esther – Church Office

Teacher: Joe DeNitto

Come and join Joe DeNitto as he leads us through the book of Esther. This book tells the story of a Jewish woman who became queen of Persia and thwarted a plan to commit genocide against her people. Though God is not mentioned specifically even once, his providential care and covenantal presence saturates the entire book. This teaches us that the hand of God is active in all our circumstances. Nothing is merely a coincidence. God is the sovereign Ruler of the universe and we can be assured and comforted that His plans will not be moved by the actions of mere men.

This Week at SPC ~ January 6 - 12

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

Costa Rica Info Meeting;
12 pm; Luther Tower

TUESDAY: Session Meeting, 7 pm

FRIDAY: Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am

SATURDAY: Removal of the Greens, 9 am



January 20: MS/HS Youth Group Resumes

January 31: Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

February 5: Session Meeting, 7 pm

March 17: Spring Picnic, 5 pm



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 100
Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,659.28
Offering, Dec. 23: \$5,508.98

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:	Kelly Fernandez	Sadie Edwards	Nora Fernandez
Next Week:	Gail Chang	Nicholas Lambers	Kathryn White
Jan. 20:	Lisa Johnson	Emily Johnson	Dominick Zak

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

Coffee Volunteers

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Today:	Bill Cutler
Next Week:	Ron & Marilyn Quick
Jan. 20:	Rob Edwards

January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Don Hamilton 1/1	Sheila Colbert 1/14
Brianna Connolly 1/5	Debbie Vincent 1/20
Ashley Johnson 1/6	Peggy Saavedra 1/20
AJ Boodoosingh 1/10	Virginia Griffith 1/25
Kourtney Melendi 1/11	Ronald Quick (Sr.) 1/25
Todd Gartman 1/11	Laura Strickland 1/27
Jake Beckel 1/12	Bryce Connolly 1/28
Randy Johnson 1/13	Lindsay Trim 1/30

Anniversaries

Chip & Sara Royer 1/3
Bill and Pam Bergen 1/19