

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
January 13, 2013
First Sunday after the Epiphany

*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

Lord Be Glorified

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-9

- Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.
- People: Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.**
- Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
- People: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.**
- Leader: For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
- People: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.**
- Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.**
- ALL: Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.**

**** 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

¹ “Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. ²He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. ³A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; ⁴ he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope.” ⁵This is what God the LORD says— he who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and all that comes out of it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: ⁶“I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, ⁷ to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. ⁸“I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another or my praise to idols. ⁹See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being I announce them to you.”

Isaiah 42:1-9

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

Musical Offering *Greensleeves*

The Confession of Our Sins

“Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.”

Book of Common Worship,
Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993

Assurance of Pardon

The Second Scripture Lesson

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. ¹⁷ The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, ²¹ and he began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?” they asked.

²³ Jesus said to them, “Surely you will quote this proverb to me: ‘Physician, heal yourself! Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.’” ²⁴ “I tell you the truth,” he continued, “no prophet is accepted in his hometown. ²⁵ I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah’s time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. ²⁶ Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. ²⁷ And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian.” ²⁸ All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. ²⁹ They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him down the cliff. ³⁰ But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

Luke 4:14-30

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

Create in Me - Michael Burkhardt

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
(Repeat)

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me,
And renew a right spirit within me.

The Third Scripture Lesson

⁹“I too was convinced that I ought to do all that was possible to oppose the name of Jesus of Nazareth. ¹⁰And that is just what I did in Jerusalem. On the authority of the chief priests I put many of the saints in prison, and when they were put to death, I cast my vote against them. ¹¹Many a time I went from one synagogue to another to have them punished, and I tried to force them to blaspheme. In my obsession against them, I even went to foreign cities to persecute them. ¹²“On one of these journeys I was going to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. ¹³About noon, O king, as I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, blazing around me and my companions. ¹⁴We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, ‘Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ ¹⁵“Then I asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’ “ ‘I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,’ the Lord replied. ¹⁶‘Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen of me and what I will show you. ¹⁷I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them ¹⁸to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

Acts 26:9-18

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

**** Offertory Hymn**

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Hymn #146

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

⁵ Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”

⁶ So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?”

Hebrews 13:5-6

The Offertory

Lead On, O King Eternal – arr. Melody Bober

*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**
May the Mind of Christ My Savior
Hymn #644

**** Benediction**

Postlude
How Lovely Shines the Morning Star –
Max Drischner

*** 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

gracias. merci. *thank you.*

No matter how you say it, we (the Staff of Seminole Church) really do appreciate the Staff Appreciation gift we received from the congregation a few weeks ago, and want to express our heartfelt "Thank You!" to each and every one of you. Truly, we are blessed to be working for and beside such a wonderful, loving, and gracious congregation! Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to strive for God's glory and your benefit in our service to the King in 2013!



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

"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 TODAY, 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

Homosexuality and the Christian Faith

Conversations That Matter

**Dr. Rosaria Butterfield, author of
"The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert" and former
professor of English and Women's Studies at Syracuse University**

Friday, February 8th, 7:00-8:30pm

**Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, 350 S. Hyde Park Ave.
Tampa, FL 33606 (813-259-3500)**

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she addresses the topic of homosexuality from a Biblical
and personal perspective.**

**There will be a time for Questions &
Answers following the presentation.
Please come and join the conversation!**

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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 13 - 19

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

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7 pm

FRIDAY: Seniors Covenant Group, 10 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: 128

Last Sunday's Offering: \$6,199.58

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:	Gail Chang	Nicholas Lambers	Kathryn White
Next Week:	Lisa Johnson	Emily Johnson	Dominick Zak
Jan. 27:	Eva White	Ross Edwards	Julia White

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

Coffee Volunteers

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Today:	Ron & Marilyn Quick
Next Week:	Rob Edwards
Jan. 27:	Brian Waugh

January Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Don Hamilton 1/1	Sheila Colbert 1/14
Brianna Connolly 1/5	Richard Gainer 1/18
Ashley Johnson 1/6	Debbie Vincent 1/20
AJ Boodoosingh 1/10	Peggy Saavedra 1/20
Kourtney Melendi 1/11	Virginia Griffith 1/25
Todd Gartman 1/11	Ronald Quick (Sr.) 1/25
Jake Beckel 1/12	Laura Strickland 1/27
Randy Johnson 1/13	Bryce Connolly 1/28
Lois Gainer 1/13	Lindsay Trim 1/30

Anniversaries

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