

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM**  
**September 22, 2013**  
**Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

*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**

*Blessed Assurance - arr. Melody Bober  
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Acts 4:10-12*

- Leader:** Then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.
- People:** He is "'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone.'
- ALL:** Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
*We Have Heard the Joyful Sound*  
Hymn #448

## **\*\* 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.”*

## **Presentation of New Member**

*Emily Strickland*

## The First Scripture Lesson

1 When the queen of Sheba heard of Solomon's fame, she came to Jerusalem to test him with hard questions. Arriving with a very great caravan-- with camels carrying spices, large quantities of gold, and precious stones-- she came to Solomon and talked with him about all she had on her mind. 2 Solomon answered all her questions; nothing was too hard for him to explain to her. 3 When the queen of Sheba saw the wisdom of Solomon, as well as the palace he had built, 4 the food on his table, the seating of his officials, the attending servants in their robes, the cupbearers in their robes and the burnt offerings he made at the temple of the LORD, she was overwhelmed. 5 She said to the king, "The report I heard in my own country about your achievements and your wisdom is true. 6 But I did not believe what they said until I came and saw with my own eyes. Indeed, not even half the greatness of your wisdom was told me; you have far exceeded the report I heard. 7 How happy your men must be! How happy your officials, who continually stand before you and hear your wisdom! 8 Praise be to the LORD your God, who has delighted in you and placed you on his throne as king to rule for the LORD your God. Because of the love of your God for Israel and his desire to uphold them forever, he has made you king over them, to maintain justice and righteousness." 9 Then she gave the king 120 talents of gold, large quantities of spices, and precious stones. There had never been such spices as those the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon. 10 (The men of Hiram and the men of Solomon brought gold from Ophir; they also brought algumwood and precious stones. 11 The king used the algumwood to make steps for the temple of the LORD and for the royal palace, and to make harps and lyres for the musicians. Nothing like them had ever been seen in Judah.) 12 King Solomon gave the queen of Sheba all she desired and asked for; he gave her more than she had brought to him. Then she left and returned with her retinue to her own country.

2 Chronicles 9:1-12

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

## The Confession of Our Sins

*"O Lord, full of mercy and grace, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone: give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love, to adore you, Lord, a heart to delight in you, to follow, to rejoice in you, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen"*

-St. Ambrose

# Assurance of Pardon

## Musical Offering

### The Second Scripture Lesson

1 Keep on loving each other as brothers. 2 Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. 3 Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering. 4 Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. 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 13:1-6

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**

*Go Forth Into The World In Peace* - John Rutter

Go forth into the world in peace;  
Be of good courage.  
Go forth into the world in peace;  
Be of good courage, be of good courage.  
Hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil.  
Strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak;  
Help the afflicted; honor all people.  
Love and serve the Lord,  
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,  
Be upon you, and remain with you forever.  
Amen. Amen.

## **The Third Scripture Lesson**

1 Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. 2 So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.' 3 "The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg-- 4 I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.' 5 "So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' 6 "'Eight hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied. "The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred.' 7 "Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?' "'A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied. "He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred.' 8 "The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. 9 I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. 10 "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. 11 So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? 12 And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?"

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13 "No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money." 14 The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. 15 He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of men, but God knows your hearts. What is highly valued among men is detestable in God's sight.

Luke 16:1-15

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

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**  
*I Love to Tell the Story*  
Hymn #478

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

1 The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets. 2 From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. ... 14 Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, 15 and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

Psalm 50:1-2, 14-15

**The Offertory**

*Be Still and Know that I am God* - 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**

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord!*

Hymn #688

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Make the Sounds of Praise - Robert Hughes*

*\*\* 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](http://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](mailto: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**

**Join us in welcoming our newest SPC Family Member:**

*Emily Strickland*

Emily Strickland, daughter of Steve & Laura Strickland and sister of Rachel Strickland, is currently a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at Citrus Park Christian, where she is in the Honors Choir. Her interests include sewing, drawing, and arts & crafts. Join with us in welcoming her as a communing member of Seminole Church.





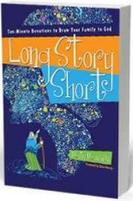
## Women's Fellowship Event

Ladies, it's time to dodge the housework for a night and share some fun and fellowship! You're invited to Game Night on **Friday, September 27** from **7:30-9:30 p.m.** at the home of Kelly Fernandez.

*Please RSVP to:*

kellyjfernandez@hotmail.com  
or call 813-969-3610

## ***Long Story Short Available Now!***



We are making discounted copies of the family devotional guide, *Long Story Short*, available for \$10 each. This devotional works in conjunction with our recently launched Children's Sunday School curriculum *Gospel Story* by New Growth Press. *Long Story Short* will help busy parents share with their children how every story in the Old Testament points forward to God's story of salvation through Jesus Christ. The devotions are coordinated with the bible lessons each child will learn in Sunday School. Then, as a family, spend ten minutes a day, five days a week in order to build upon what each child has learned. To obtain your copy of *Long Story Short* please see Danny Dalton.



**Church Work Day!**  
**Saturday, October 5**  
**8:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Help is needed to pull weeds and distribute mulch. Come one, come all! There are more than enough weeds to go around! See Jackie Toenes for more details.

## Sunday Evening Covenant Group

The Sunday evening Covenant Group formally led by Bill Ernest is starting again. The group will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month beginning at 6:00 pm at the home of at the home of Pat & David Barden (2703 Westhigh Ave., Tampa). Please see or contact Larry Dickey for more information about joining the group (813.695.3173).

• Sunday Evening  
• Covenant  
• Group

## Fall Fellowship – Save the Date & Volunteer Recruitment!



We are planning our Sixth Annual Fall Fellowship for **Sunday evening (5 – 8 pm), October 27**. The church will provide hamburgers/hotdogs (and the fixings) and drinks. Please bring a picnic side dish or dessert to share.

We will have a bounce house for the kids, and don't forget your *already carved* pumpkin for the jack-o-lantern competition!

**Help is needed to make this event a success. Areas where you can be of service:**

- Grilling (2 volunteers needed)
- Food/Condiment Prep (start at 4 pm)
- Table & Chair Set up (start at 4 pm)
- Bounce House Attendants (Supervisors; ½ hr shifts)
- Table Breakdown (post-event)
- Clean up (post-event)

**To volunteer or to RSVP,  
please contact Jackie Toenes: [jtoenes@seminolepca.org](mailto:jtoenes@seminolepca.org) or 220.4095.**

Tues, Oct. 8th,  
7pm

Holy Trinity  
Presbyterian  
Church

350 S. Hyde Park  
Ave.

Tampa, FL 33606  
(813) 259-3500

[holytrinitypca.org](http://holytrinitypca.org)

# The Bible, Homosexuality and Public Discourse

another in the series of  
*Conversations That Matter*

Tuesday, October 8th, 7pm

**Hosted by Holy Trinity  
Presbyterian Church**

How should we respond to the Supreme Court's recent DOMA decision? Or the marginalization of Biblical Christianity in the modern world? By what standard should morality, spirituality and science be assessed?

Please join us for a Christian lecture on these matters followed by a panel discussion in which questions from all perspectives will be welcomed.

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



## Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

### Prayer/Praise:

- Alan Dostal (Judy Dostal's husband)

### 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](mailto: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	Cathy Gartman & Tami Lang	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Rainey Hoopes & Lucas Lambers	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Diane Keen & Sara Royer	#107
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Richard Zak	#101
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Change and Your Relationships	Ben Lambers	#102
Adult – Study of James	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

## Current Adult Sunday School Classes

### **Walden Class – Room 108**

*Teacher: Matthew McKenzie*

The Walden Class, which is currently studying Galatians, offers a combination of bible study and social interaction, as participants share their lives with one another through prayer requests, praise reports, brief devotionals, and a thirty-minute bible lesson each Sunday. The class offers a greater degree of flexibility for those desiring to engage in a study of a particular book of the bible, which may exceed the quarterly limitations of other classes, *e.g. a four or five month study through The Gospel of Matthew or the book of Revelation, etc.* This relaxing pace of the Walden Class allows for a comprehensive study of Sacred Scripture in the context of thoughtful dialog, question and answer, and practical application of God's Word in connection to personal and cultural situation and circumstances.

### **Study of James – Church Office**

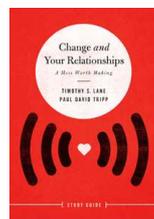
*Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto*

We all want a faith that won't let us down in times of trouble or loss, uncertainty or fear. A faith that can pull us through the worst—and best—times in our lives. This is the kind of faith that James wrote about. It is the faith that we practice day by day. Studying James will help us grow a steadfast faith that can carry us through life. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the church office for this class. Our study will involve group discussions and personal reflection on over 120 questions about the text. Together we will explore topics and themes in the book of James.

### **Change and Your Relationships – Room 102**

*Teacher: Elder Ben Lambers*

God designed us to be relational—it is our very nature, and it is one way in which we reflect the image of God. And only when we live in community do we fully reflect the likeness of God. Relationships are not optional! Because of sin, relationships can be messy, but they are not optional. *Change and Your Relationships* is a study that will help individuals and small groups identify the deeper issues that keep relationships from being less than they were designed by God to be. Based on principles from the book, *Relationships: A Mess Worth Making*, this curriculum gives practical direction on how to resolve conflicts, have difficult conversations, grant forgiveness, overlook weaknesses, and celebrate strengths. So come and join Elder Ben Lambers as he leads you through *Change and Your Relationships*.



## This Week at SPC ~ Sept. 22-28

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

MS/HS Youth Group  
Luther Tower, 5:30 pm

Sunday Evening Covenant Group, 6 pm

**WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

**FRIDAY:** Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am



**September 26:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

**October 1:** Session Meeting, 7 pm

**October 5:** Church Work Day, 8 am

**October 13:** Sunday Evening Covenant Group, 6 pm

**October 27:** Fall Fellowship, 5 pm

**November 3:** Presbytery Wide Worship Service  
@ Holy Trinity, 6 pm



### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 128

Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,001.79

*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

## ***Greeters / Ordained Officer***

	<u><b>September</b></u>	<u><b>October</b></u>
<u><b>Greeters:</b></u>	<i>Darby White Brian Armstrong Rob Edwards</i>	<i>Dave Bardin Andy Thomson Tom Cawley</i>
<u><b>Ordained Officer:</b></u>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>	<i>Steve White</i>

## ***Children's Worship Volunteers***

	<u><b>Teacher</b></u>	<u><b>Helper</b></u>	<u><b>Banner Bearer</b></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>Paul McKenzie</i>	<i>Nora Fernandez</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Abby Johnson</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>
<i>Oct. 6:</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>	<i>Emily Strickland</i>	<i>Dominick Zak</i>

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

## ***Coffee Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Steve Strickland</i>
<i>Oct. 6:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>

## ***Nursery Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Kerri Connolly</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>
<i>Oct. 6:</i>	<i>TBA</i>

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

## ***Fellowship Snacks***

<u><b>Next Week</b></u> <i>Holly Edwards Diane Keen Donna Waugh Glee Hamilton</i>	<u><b>Oct. 6:</b></u> <i>Kelly Fernandez Lisa Johnson Cathy Armstrong Raquel Fernandez</i>
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# September Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays

Rachel Strickland 9/1

Jamie Dalton 9/5

Andrew Johnson 9/6

Medora Hoopes 9/6

John Fontanini 9/7

Meredith Gartman 9/8

Liz Hickerson 9/9

Frank Frail 9/10

Cameron Pothoven 9/11

Jonathan Keen 9/14

Chloe Cawley 9/15

Marty Zak 9/21

Sally Quick 9/22

Kate Melendi 9/23

Glee Hamilton 9/24

Scott Hickerson 9/24

Ross Edwards 9/26

Cathy Armstrong 9/27

John McKenzie 9/30

Paul McKenzie 9/30

## Anniversaries

Servy & Raquel Fernandez 9/13

Ronald & Marilyn Quick 9/15



Anniversaries  
& Birthdays