

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
March 9, 2014
First Sunday in Lent

*Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service.
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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Give Thanks

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1-5

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

People: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits--

Leader: who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

People: who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion,

All: who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**** Glorifying God in Song**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymn # 164

**** 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 Choral Response: *Gloria Patri***

The First Scripture Lesson

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" 4 "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. 8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" 10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." 11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" 12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me-- she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

(Continued...)

14 So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel." 16 To the woman he said, "I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing; with pain you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you." 17 To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat of it,' "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return." 20 Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.

Genesis 3:1-20

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

The Confession of Our Sins

(If you are able, we invite you to kneel so that our outward posture reflects our inward attitude)

“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, Amen.”

Book of Common Worship, John Knox Press, 1993

Assurance of Pardon

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

1 Timothy 1:15

Musical Offering

"Prayer" from Hansel and Gretel by Humperdinck

The Second Scripture Lesson

12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned-- 13 for before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come. 15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! 16 Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. 17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. 18 Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. 19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. 20 The law was added so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, 21 so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 5:12-21

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.

Anthem

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

Arr. Sheldon Curry

O Master let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear winning word of love;
Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide us in the homeward way.
Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong;
In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only thou canst give with thee O Master, let me live.
O Master let me walk with thee.

The Third Scripture Lesson

1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. 2 After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. 3 The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." 4 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6 "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'" 7 Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 9 "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." 10 Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'" 11 Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

Matthew 4:1-11

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

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Jesus, with Thy Church Abide

Hymn # 348

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

16 This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. 17 If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? 18 Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.

I John 3:16-18

The Offertory

Near the Cross arr. David Sarandon

*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**

Lift High the Cross

Hymn # 263

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Fugue in G minor - J.S. Bach

** 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

New Ladies' Bible Study starting March 18th!

What: "Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate" by Jerry Bridges

When: Tuesday mornings at 9:30

Where: The Dalton home

If you want to join us, please contact Kelly Fernandez at 813.420.8662 or kellyjfernandez@hotmail.com to order a copy of the book *by March 11th!*

Spring Picnic!

Please make plans to join us **Saturday, March 29 at 11am-2pm** for SPC's Church Picnic at Gidden's Park here in Seminole Heights (5202 N 12th St.). Features of the park include: a splash pad for the kids (so bring suits and towels), a playground, fields for games, and a basketball court. **SPC has reserved the covered pavilion, but there is limited seating. Therefore, we ask families that have camp chairs to bring them.** *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 set up. If you can help in this area, contact the church office. ***RSVP to church@seminolepca.org by Sunday March 23.***



Vacation Bible School

SAVE THE DATE

June 16 - 20, 2014

We are looking forward to another wonderful week of fun, fellowship, and sharing the truth of the gospel with our children.

Also, consider volunteering this year! More details on how you can help will be coming soon. Contact Sara Royer for more information 813-453-3221 or sara.royer@iconnectgreen.com.

Adult Sunday School Classes

Walden Class – Room 108

Teacher: Jay Fontanini

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.

The Gospel and the Book of Galatians – Room 102

Galatians is all about the gospel, the free grace of God which only comes through trusting in Jesus Christ! That is why the apostle Paul is agitated, even alarmed as he writes, because those who had enthusiastically embraced the gospel at first, were in danger of turning away from it by adding works to faith. Like the Galatians, we too can easily fall into the trap to justify ourselves by adding works to our faith. In this class we will study together the gracious gospel answering questions such as: What is the Gospel? Does it mean we are free to sin? How do the Ten Commandments fit into our lives? What does it mean to be legalistic? Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the fellowship room of the Snyder building for this informative Bible study.

Church History: The First 1,500 Years – Church Office

This quarter we will go on a sweeping adventure through a millennium and a half of Christian history starting with the day that a group of devout followers of Jesus were gathered in an upper room waiting patiently for the promised Comforter. Our itinerary includes twelve stops allowing us a closer look at the men and women whose lives shaped the trajectory of the Christian faith up to the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. Along the way we will encounter martyrs and heretics, emperors and slaves, warriors and monks, scholastics and mystics – people who did their best to contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. Bryan Toenes will lead this study in the church office.

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

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 & Page 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	Cathy Gartman & Tami Lang	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 st - 2 nd Grade	Rainey Hoopes	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd –5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Sara Royer	#107
Middle School / 6 th –8 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#101
High School / 9 th –12 th Grade	Randy Johnson	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Jay Fontanini	#108
Adult – Galatians	Joe DeNitto	#102
Adult – Church History: The First 1500 Years	Bryan Toenes	Church Office

This Week at SPC ~ Mar. 9 -Mar. 15

SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am
Youth Group, 5:30 pm
Adult Bible Study, 5:30 pm
Covenant Group (Bardin home), 6:00 pm

TUESDAY: Session Meeting, 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY: Senior's Group, 10:00 am



March 27 Deacon Meeting, 7:00 pm

March 29 Church Picnic, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE!

June 27-July 2, 2014 High School Camp Elevate

July 14-18, 2014 Middle School Camp Kulaqua



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Last Sunday's Attendance: 140

Last Sunday's Offering: \$9,796.71

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>March</u>	<u>April</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Hoopes Family	Andy Thomson Brian Armstrong
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	Duncan Hoopes	Bill Cutler

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Therese McKenzie	Paul McKenzie	Nora Fernandez
Mar.16:	Randa Gravanti	Rachel Strickland	Nikolas Royer
Mar.23:	Laura Strickland	Emily Strickland	Marty Zak

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

Coffee Volunteers

Today:	Andrea Cawley
Mar. 16:	Karen Collins
Mar.23:	Randa Gravanti

WE 
VOLUNTEERS

Nursery Volunteers

Today:	Liz Hickerson
Mar.16 :	Laura Strickland
Mar. 23:	Sarah Zak

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – Mar. 16:</u>	<u>Mar.23:</u>
Beverly Thomson	Hoopes Family
Sheila Colbert	Gail Chang
Judy Wildeboer	Eva White
Ines Lopez de Lara	Kelly Melendi

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Lisa Johnson 3/3
Alina Sanchez 3/6
Becca Armstrong 3/11
Susan Smith 3/12
Marilyn Horst 3/13

Dan Fernandez 3/19
Kit Rackham 3/22
Ralph Colbert 3/27
Diane Keen 3/29

Anniversaries

Gregg & Sally Quick 3/18



Anniversaries
and Birthdays