

Morning Worship Service
September 7, 2014 - 9:00 AM
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need arr. Anna Laura Page
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

1Peter 2:4-6

Leader: As you come to him, the living Stone-- rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him—

People: you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

All: For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
Hymn # 343

**** 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 Gloria Patri**
Hymn # 734

The Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers

Gail Chang, Jamie Dalton, Joe DeNitto, Kelly Fernandez, Servy Fernandez, Randy Johnson, Ben & Jane Lambers, Tami Lang, Matthew & Therese McKenzie, Steve Pothoven, Gregg Quick, Sara Royer, Bryan Toenes, and Brian Waugh

The First Scripture Lesson

1 Moses summoned all Israel and said: Hear, O Israel, the decrees and laws I declare in your hearing today. Learn them and be sure to follow them. 2 The LORD our God made a covenant with us at Horeb. 3 It was not with our fathers that the LORD made this covenant, but with us, with all of us who are alive here today. 4 The LORD spoke to you face to face out of the fire on the mountain. 5 (At that time I stood between the LORD and you to declare to you the word of the LORD, because you were afraid of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said: 6 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. 7 "You shall have no other gods before me. 8 "You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. 9 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 10 but showing love to a thousand *generations* of those who love me and keep my commandments. 11 "You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name. 12 "Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the LORD your God has commanded you. 13 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 14 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor the alien within your gates, so that your manservant and maidservant may rest, as you do. 15 Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the LORD your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day. 16 "Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you. 17 "You shall not murder. 18 "You shall not commit adultery. 19 "You shall not steal. 20 "You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. 21 "You shall not covet your neighbor's wife. You shall not set your desire on your neighbor's house or land, his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

Deuteronomy 5:1-21

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)

“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.

-Adapted from the Book of Common Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

1 My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense-- Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. 2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2

Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

1 Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, like some people, letters of recommendation to you or from you? 2 You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everybody. 3 You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

2 Corinthians 3:1-3

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 Love That Will Never Let Me Go
George Matheson and Albert L. Peace

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depth its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

Oh Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,
The promise is not vain, that morn shall ever tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not hide from Thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red,
Life that shall endless be.

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee.

The Third Scripture Lesson

1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him." 3 In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." 4 "How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!" 5 Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

John 3:1-8

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Hymn # 520

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

1 If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, 2 then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. 3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. 4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:1-4

The Offertory

Our Father Who in Heaven Art - J.S. Bach

*Please fill out the connection card in the bulletin
to indicate your attendance.*

**** The Doxology**

(Hymn # 731)

*Children K4 – 2nd Grades may be dismissed to Children's
Church.*

The Message

*Rev. John K. Keen
Senior Pastor*

**** Glorifying God in Song**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymn # 528

(v. 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.
Communion bread is gluten-free.*

**** Glorifying God in Song**
My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Hymn # 528
(v. 3-4)

*** Benediction**

Postlude
Postlude in D Major - Ch. H. Rinck

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



We will be offering an Exploring Church Membership Class. Please mark the tan insert in your bulletin if you would like to attend or learn more. Once we know who is interested, we will set the dates and times. Note: attending this class is required for membership at SPC. However, taking this class does not obligate anyone towards membership. It's a great way to learn more about the gospel, our church and the specific vision we are working to accomplish.

New Women's Bible Study beginning September 16th!

Judges: The Flawed and the Flawless by Tim Keller

"[This study] will take you through the twists and turns of Judges, bringing you face to face with famous names such as Deborah, Gideon and Samson - and with God himself! The book of Judges shows us how to live as God's people in a society which offers a dizzying array of alternative 'gods' to worship. So, surrounded by the gods of wealth, celebrity, ideology and achievement, this book is for all of us." ~The Good Book Company

Beginning **September 16th**, we will be meeting **Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11 a.m. in Room 108 of the Snyder Building**. Childcare will be provided in the nursery. If you'd like to sign up or need more information, contact Kelly Fernandez at (813)969-3610 or kellyjfernandez@outlook.com.

Women of SPC

There will be a training workshop entitled, “Loving Well, Leading Well” for the women in our presbytery on September 20th, from 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM, at Covenant PCA in Lakeland.

Themes include:

Thinking Biblically:

- Who God Is
- Church and Womanhood

Living Covenantally:

- What God is Calling Me to Be
- Kingdom Discipleship and Women’s Ministry

An Opportunity to Serve RUF

As a ministry to RUF and as a way to be hospitable, our church family will be providing a meal on **October 5th** for a group of 20-30 USF college students. We will be providing a Chicken Pasta Bake (recipe provided), salad, bread, and a dessert.

- 3 Volunteers to make main dish
- 3 Volunteers to make salad
- 2 Volunteers to provide bread
- 1 Volunteer to make a dessert



If you would like to share in this opportunity to serve Jeff Lee and the RUF ministry at USF please indicate on the tan insert or contact Lisa Johnson at church@seminolepca.org or (813)-624-8397.



Save the Date

Fall Fellowship - We are planning our annual Fall Fellowship for **Sunday evening (5 – 8 pm), October 26**. More details will be coming.

Reformation Service – Tampa Bay area PCA churches will gather at Westtown Church in Westchase at **6 pm on November 2**.

**Middle School / High School
Large Group Meeting**

**Sundays 5:30 - 7:30 PM
September 14 – December 7
Luther Tower**

***No Meeting:**

- October 26 due to Fall Fellowship
- November 2 due to Reformation Service
- November 30 due to Thanksgiving

**Student
Ministry**



**New Youth Sunday School Classes
Beginning TODAY!**

Middle School: Worshiping God Today

Teacher: Steve Pothoven

Did you know that God created you for worship? Worship is the center of our existence. It is one of the things we will do forever. Yet, many of us worship the wrong thing or at least don't worship God how He has commanded that we worship him. This quarter we will be studying the hows and whys of worship. This is a foundational course, as well as very practical, to help you fully participate in the worship of God on Sunday mornings as we gather as the church. We will be using a great curriculum produced by Great Commission Publications.

High School: Treasuring God's Word

Teacher: Danny Dalton

There are millions of books in the world, but only one can rightfully claim to be the inspired Word of God. What makes Sacred Scripture so unique? Is it really true and trustworthy? In this course we will learn all about Sacred Scripture, it's history, structure, reliability, accuracy, understandability (is that a real word?). We will also overview the main storyline of the Bible and discuss how that shapes our interpretation. This course will help you to pick up your Bible and read it with more clarity and understanding as you seek to mature in your walk with Jesus Christ.

New Adult Sunday School Classes Beginning TODAY!

Walden Class – Room 108

Teacher: Matthew McKenzie

Join us in the Walden Class for a study of Ephesians, **starting September 14th**. We'll maintain the same format for the class, which uses a mixture of Bible study, social interaction, prayer requests, and praise reports as we share what God is doing in our lives.

Christ and Salvation (WCF chapter 8-15) – Room 102

Teacher: Ben Lambers

This is the second of four classes as we study the Westminster Confession of Faith. They do not have to be taken in order. This document is the best summary of what Scripture teaches. Therefore, this class is a great way to get a concise and precise summary of Sacred Scripture, especially pertaining to the person and work of Jesus Christ and how he accomplished salvation for His people. This class covers chapters 8-15, and attendees will be challenged to complete weekly homework. Let us all remember, the goal of teaching theology is maturity, not simply knowledge. Maturity always leads to application of this knowledge to life (from the head to the heart to the hands). Come join us!

The Seven Deadly Sins – Church Office

Teacher: Joe DeNitto

Can you name the seven deadly sins? Where did they originate? Are they right out of the Bible, or the 10 commandments? What are the seven lively or cardinal virtues? How can we relate these old ideas to our modern lives and pursue a better examination of conscience? Even if you knew these sins and virtues, how could they help you in your walk with Christ? The Christian faith has been teaching believers to avoid these seven sins, and practice these seven virtues for a long time. Even after the Protestant Reformation, teachings of one form or another about them continued.

If you would like to explore this subject further, come join Elder Joe DeNitto for this timeless study.

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 4-7 / K4/K5 - 2 nd Grade	Therese McKenzie & Sara Royer	#109
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd -5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Steve Pothoven	#101
High School / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Christ and Salvation	Ben Lambers	#102
Adult – The Seven Deadly Sins	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

This Week at SPC ~ September 7 – September 13

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

TUESDAY: Session Meeting, 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY: **NO** Senior Group (will resume **Sept. 19**)



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 93

Last Sunday's Offering: \$7,683.00

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>September</u>	<u>October</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	The Alex Fernandez Family	Dave Bardin Tom Cawley
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	Alex Fernandez	Steve White

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Therese McKenzie	John McKenzie	Nora Fernandez
Sept. 7:	Andrea Cawley	Alyne Cawley	Olivia White
Sept. 21:	Laura Strickland	Emily Strickland	Nikolas Royer

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

Coffee Volunteers

Today:	Andy Thomson
Sept. 7:	Larry Dickey
Sept. 21:	Steve Strickland



Nursery Volunteers

Today:	Lisa Johnson
Sept. 14:	Laura Strickland
Sept. 21:	Diane Keen

Fellowship Snacks

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Next Week – Sept. 14:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Holly Edwards Laura Strickland Donna Waugh Glee Hamilton</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sept. 21:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judy Dostal Andy Thomson Pat Bardin Kerri Connolly</p>
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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
and Birthdays