

Morning Worship Service
August 9, 2015 - 9:00 AM
Eleventh 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 in the narthex.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

As The Deer - Martin Nystrom/Kiyo Watanabe
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 29:10-13

- Leader: David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, "Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.
- People: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.**
- Leader: Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.
- All: Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.**

****Glorifying God in Song**
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Hymn # 457

**** 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

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

The First Scripture Lesson

15 So the wall was completed on the twenty-fifth of Elul, in fifty-two days. 16 When all our enemies heard about this, all the surrounding nations were afraid and lost their self-confidence, because they realized that this work had been done with the help of our God. 17 Also, in those days the nobles of Judah were sending many letters to Tobiah, and replies from Tobiah kept coming to them. 18 For many in Judah were under oath to him, since he was son-in-law to Shecaniah son of Arah, and his son Jehohanan had married the daughter of Meshullam son of Berekiah. 19 Moreover, they kept reporting to me his good deeds and then telling him what I said. And Tobiah sent letters to intimidate me. 1 After the wall had been rebuilt and I had set the doors in place, the gatekeepers and the singers and the Levites were appointed. 2 I put in charge of Jerusalem my brother Hanani, along with Hananiah the commander of the citadel, because he was a man of integrity and feared God more than most men do. 3 I said to them, "The gates of Jerusalem are not to be opened until the sun is hot. While the gatekeepers are still on duty, have them shut the doors and bar them. Also appoint residents of Jerusalem as guards, some at their posts and some near their own houses." 4 Now the city was large and spacious, but there were few people in it, and the houses had not yet been rebuilt. 5 So my God put it into my heart to assemble the nobles, the officials and the common people for registration by families. I found the genealogical record of those who had been the first to return. This is what I found written there:

(Continued...)

6 These are the people of the province who came up from the captivity of the exiles whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had taken captive (they returned to Jerusalem and Judah, each to his own town), ... 63 And from among the priests: the descendants of Hobaiah, Hakkoz and Barzillai (a man who had married a daughter of Barzillai the Gileadite and was called by that name). 64 These searched for their family records, but they could not find them and so were excluded from the priesthood as unclean. 65 The governor, therefore, ordered them not to eat any of the most sacred food until there should be a priest ministering with the Urim and Thummim. 66 The whole company numbered 42,360, 67 besides their 7,337 menservants and maidservants; and they also had 245 men and women singers. 68 There were 736 horses, 245 mules, 69 435 camels and 6,720 donkeys. 70 Some of the heads of the families contributed to the work. The governor gave to the treasury 1,000 drachmas of gold, 50 bowls and 530 garments for priests. 71 Some of the heads of the families gave to the treasury for the work 20,000 drachmas of gold and 2,200 minas of silver. 72 The total given by the rest of the people was 20,000 drachmas of gold, 2,000 minas of silver and 67 garments for priests. 73 The priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers and the temple servants, along with certain of the people and the rest of the Israelites, settled in their own towns.

Nehemiah 6:15-7:6, 63-73

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)

“Holy Lord, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, of failure to find thy mind in thy Word, of neglect to seek thee in my daily life. My transgressions and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I bless thee that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ: Go on to subdue my corruptions, and grant me grace to live above them. Purge me from every false desire, every base aspiration, everything contrary to thy rule. Deliver me from every evil habit, from everything that dims the brightness of thy grace in me, from everything that prevents me taking delight in thee. Then I shall bless thee, God of Jeshurun, for helping me to be upright. AMEN”

-The Valley of Vision p.77

Assurance of Pardon

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,
Romans 8:1

Musical Offering

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

The Second Scripture Lesson

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. 13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. 14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints. 19 Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Ephesians 6:10-20

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 Third Scripture Lesson

39 Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him. 40 On reaching the place, he said to them, "Pray that you will not fall into temptation." 41 He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, 42 "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." 43 An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. 44 And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. 45 When he rose from prayer and went back to the disciples, he found them asleep, exhausted from sorrow. 46 "Why are you sleeping?" he asked them. "Get up and pray so that you will not fall into temptation."

Luke 22:39-46

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

****Glorifying God in Song**

We Gather Together

Hymn # 363

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

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Luke 6:38

The Offertory

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart arr. Larry Shackley

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

**** The Doxology**

Hymn # 731

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

****Glorifying God in Song**

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Hymn # 605

*** Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata on Picardy - Gordon Young

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 Member

Maureen Thomson, the sister of Beverly and Andy Thomson, grew up in Tampa and was baptized and confirmed in Seminole Presbyterian Church. She is currently serving as a missionary where she teaches children with special needs at GDQ International Christian School in Tirana, Albania. She loves singing and is a part of the worship team at her church in Albania where she sings...in Albanian! She also enjoys cooking and making beaded jewelry. She is so happy to be returning to her church family at Seminole.



Middle School / High School

Large Group Meeting

Kickoff

Calling all Middle School and High School students!

This entry-level program is designed to show students “who” the only one worthy of worship is: Jesus Christ. This is a meeting with a positive environment, an element of fun, strong student involvement, and an understandable, gospel-centered message that challenges students to take the next step in their faith.

Come join us Sunday nights in Luther Tower! Beginning **Sunday, August 23**, we will gather for a time of worship, fellowship, and fun!

Sunday's 5:30 - 7:00 PM

See you there!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Walden Class - Study of Hebrews

Room 108

Teacher: John Keen

The Walden Class, which will continue its study of the book of Hebrews, 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.

Economics for Everybody with R.C. Sproul, Jr.

Church Office

Teacher: Gregg Quick

From government policy to household budgets, economics is everywhere. Yet few people have a proper understanding of economic principles, and how Christians should think about them. Economics for Everybody is a twelve-part video series and curriculum tailor-made for families, churches, and individuals who want to understand this important topic. Thoroughly unconventional, it links entrepreneurship with lemonade, cartoons with markets, and Charlie Chaplin with supply and demand.

Supported Missionaries and Ministries

Below are missionaries and ministries that SPC supports financially. We encourage you to pray for them and consider supporting them yourself.

***This same information can be found on the Missions tab of our website.**

- Scott & Kathy Craig, MTW/Short-term Team Coordinators (Costa Rica), (#11130); Mission to the World, PO Box 116284, Atlanta, GA 30368-6284
- Costa Rica Mission Project: Birth of a New Presbyterian Church, (Project #92760); Mission to the World, PO Box 116284, Atlanta, GA 30368-6284
- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS (North Carolina), (Member Account #222590), Wycliffe Bible Translators, PO Box 628200, Orlando, FL 32862-8200
- Dave & Page Hawes, Navigators – training and development nationwide (Member Account 35857), PO Box 6079, Albert Lea, MN 56007-6679
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF
Reformed University Ministries, PO Box 890004, Charlotte, NC 28289-0004
(Please include the name of campus, or individual you would like us to allocate the gift to)
- Joel De Victoria
Seminary Fund c/o Covenant Presbyterian, 210 Poppel Dr., Lakeland, FL 33813
- Steve Light, Sojourner Presbyterian Church (USF Area)
Sojourner Presbyterian Church, 350 South Hyde Park Avenue,
Tampa, Florida 33606

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	Connie Trim & Raquel Fernandez	#109
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd -5 th Grade	Laura Strickland & Randa Gravanti	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Randy Johnson & Jamie Dalton	#101
High School / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	John Keen	#108
Adult – Economics for Everybody	Gregg Quick	Church Office

This Week at SPC ~ August 9 – August 15

SUNDAY: Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am
HS/College Bible Study, 6:30 pm

FRIDAY: Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: TBD

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ TBD

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/ Communion Set-up

	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	<i>Strickland Family</i>	<i>Darby White</i> <i>Brian Armstrong</i>
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	<i>Steve Strickland</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	<i>Marsha Craig</i>	<i>Judy Wildeboer</i>

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Emily Johnson</i>	<i>Kaleigh Williams</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>
<i>Aug. 16:</i>	<i>Kelly Fernandez</i>	<i>John McKenzie</i>	<i>Eleanor Fernandez</i>
<i>Aug. 23:</i>	<i>Tami Pothoven</i>	<i>Bryson Pothoven</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>

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

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>
<i>Aug. 16:</i>	<i>Karen Collins</i>
<i>Aug. 23:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>

WE 
VOLUNTEERS

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong/ Stephanie Williams</i>
<i>Aug. 16:</i>	<i>Raquel Fernandez/ Geena Allen</i>
<i>Aug. 23:</i>	<i>Diane Keen/ Lisa Johnson</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Next Week – Aug. 16:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Therese McKenzie</i> <i>Tami Pothoven</i> <i>Karen Collins</i> <i>Randa Gravanti</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Aug. 23:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Kelly Fernandez</i> <i>Lisa Johnson</i> <i>Cathy Armstrong</i> <i>Raquel Fernandez</i></p>
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August Birthdays & Anniversaries

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