

Morning Worship Service

March 13, 2016 - 9:00 AM

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

Prelude

*Evening and Morning - Johann Eberling
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

Call to Worship

Psalm 98:4-6

- Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;
- People: make music to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing,
- All: with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Hymn # 302

****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

When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. 3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. 5 Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. 6 Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. 7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. 9 Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. 10 Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. 13 Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you. 14 Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness. 15 O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. 16 You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

(Continued...)

17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. 18 In your good pleasure make Zion prosper; build up the walls of Jerusalem. 19 Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings to delight you; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Psalm 51

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)

“Receive my confession, O most loving and gracious Heavenly Father, through the Lord Jesus Christ, the only hope for the salvation of my soul. Grant to me true contrition, so that day and night I may be sorry from the heart for my sins. Savior of the world, O good Jesus, who gave yourself to the death of the cross to save sinners, look upon me, most wretched of all sinners; have pity on me, and give me the light to know my sins, true sorrow for them, and a firm purpose of never committing them again. Amen.”

Assurance of Pardon

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

The Musical Offering

Were You There – Spiritual

The Sacrament of Christian Baptism

Alayah Ananta Rivera

The Second Scripture Lesson

In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author of their salvation perfect through suffering. 11 Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. 12 He says, "I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises." 13 And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again he says, "Here am I, and the children God has given me." 14 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death-- that is, the devil-- 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. 16 For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendant. 17 For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. 18 Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:10-18

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

God Be In My Head
By John Leavitt

God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be in my eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking
God be in my heart and in my thinking.
God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be at my end and in my departing.
Amen. Amen.

The Third Scripture Lesson

Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. 13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. 17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.' 20 So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' 22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

Luke 15:11-24

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

**** Glorifying God in Song**
What'er My God Ordains is Right
Hymn # 108

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

But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1 Timothy 6:6-8

Offertory

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. Dan Forrest

*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.

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Hymn # 599

*** Benediction**

Postlude

Agincourt Hymn - John Dunstable

***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



Tenebrae Service

Please make plans to join us for a very special worship service where we reflect on the ministry and ultimate sacrifice of our Lord, Jesus Christ. This "Service of Darkness" will be held **Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30pm** in the Sanctuary.



Easter Sunday, March 27th – Death could not hold him! Celebrate our resurrected Lord with us on Easter Sunday, March 27th. Sunday School will be suspended for this morning, but please join us for a time of fellowship in the Snyder Building following the morning's celebration.

Easter Lilies – Please fill out the bulletin insert and place it in the offerring plate. Orders will be due **March 20th**.



Easter Egg Hunt - Children are welcome to join us for an Easter egg hunt immediately after our worship service on Easter Sunday, March 27th. The hunt, which will be held in the church office backyard, is for all children up to and including the 5th grade.

Spring Picnic!

Save the date for our annual spring picnic! This year, it will be held on church grounds **Sunday evening, April 3** from **5:00 – 7:30 pm**. More details will be coming; stay tuned!



Adult Sunday School Classes

Gospel of Matthew - Room 102

Teacher: Brian Toenes

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.” Jesus gave this charge to His disciples on a mountain in Galilee, the unlikely home of Israel’s Messiah. Beginning with a humble birth in Bethlehem and continuing through an obscure upbringing in the insignificant town of Nazareth, this Prophet from Galilee revealed Himself to be the Son of Man, spoken of by the prophet Daniel, to Whom was given a kingdom that all nations might serve Him. Join us this quarter as we learn of this Messiah from Galilee as told in the Gospel According to Matthew.

Knowing God - Church Office

Teacher: Joe DeNitto

Knowing God is a book by the British-born Christian theologian J.I. Packer, and is his best-known work, having sold over 1,000,000 copies in North America alone. Originally written as a series of articles for the Evangelical Magazine, it was first published as a book in 1973, and has been reprinted several times. In the book, Packer explores the character of God as revealed in the Bible, and correct Christian responses to it, with chapters on God’s love, grace, majesty, and wrath.

What does it mean to know God, not just about God?

Whether this is your first time reading this book, or a reread, please join us as we explore what it means to truly Know God.

The “I Am” Sayings of Jesus - Room 108

Teacher: Randy Johnson

Stating “I Am” may only be an implication, yet all knew that Jesus was clearly claiming deity. In this class, we will study the “I Am” statements of Jesus and His position as Savior and Lord. Join us as we study Jesus’ claim to be God and how His noted personal attributes apply to our lives.

Exploring Mark - Room 101

Teacher: Ben Lambers

Ben Lambers and fellow members will have fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. For the Bible study portion, Ben will guide the discussion. Members are encouraged to comment and raise their own questions. The goals are to enjoy the Bible, apply its truth to our lives, and improve our relationship with Christ and each other.

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.

- Rodney & Jana Davila, Costa Rica MTW Team Leaders, (#11704); Mission to the World, PO Box 2589, Suwanee, GA 30024-0982
- 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	Tami Lang & Jane Lambers	#105
Ages 8-10 /3 rd – 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#109
High School / 9th -12 th Grade	Steve Strickland	The Tower
Adult – Gospel of Matthew	Bryan Toenes	#102
Adult – Knowing God	Joe DeNitto	Church Office
Adult – The “I Am” Sayings of Jesus	Randy Johnson	#108
Adult – Exploring Mark	Ben Lambers	#101

This Week at SPC ~ March 13 – March 19

SUNDAY:	Morning Worship, 9:00 am Fellowship Time, 10:15 am Sunday School, 10:45 am MS/HS Youth Meeting, 5:30 pm Kid Builders, 5:30 pm Adult Bible Study, 5:30 pm
TUESDAY:	Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am
WEDNESDAY:	Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
FRIDAY:	Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



June 13-17
Vacation Bible School

July 11-15
Middle School Camp at Kulaqua

July 25-29
Local High School Mission Project
partnering with Habitat for Humanity

SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 128

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 11,834.15

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>	<i>Darby White</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>
	<i>Servy Fernandez</i>	<i>Brian Armstrong</i>
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>	<i>Bill Cutler</i>
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	<i>Judy Wildeboer</i>	<i>Randy Johnson</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Bill Cutler</i>
<i>Mar. 20:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>
<i>Mar. 27:</i>	<i>Rob Edwards</i>



Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Tami Lang</i>
<i>Mar. 20:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>
<i>Mar. 27:</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<u><i>Next Week – Mar. 20:</i></u>	<u><i>Mar. 27:</i></u>
<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	
<i>Diane Keen</i>	<i>Easter</i>
<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	
<i>Pam Bergen</i>	

March Birthdays & Anniversaries



Anniversaries
and Birthdays