

Morning Worship Service
April 24, 2016 - 9:00 AM
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Prelude

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 65:1-4

Leader: Praise awaits you, O God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

People: **O you who hear prayer, to you all men will come.**

Leader: When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.

All: **Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Now Thank We All Our God

Hymn # 98

****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

"A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If I am a father, where is the honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?" says the LORD Almighty. "It is you, O priests, who show contempt for my name. "But you ask, 'How have we shown contempt for your name?' 7 "You place defiled food on my altar. "But you ask, 'How have we defiled you?' "By saying that the LORD's table is contemptible. 8 When you bring blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice crippled or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?" says the LORD Almighty. 9 "Now implore God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?"-- says the LORD Almighty. 10 "Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you," says the LORD Almighty, "and I will accept no offering from your hands. 11 My name will be great among the nations, from the rising to the setting of the sun. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to my name, because my name will be great among the nations," says the LORD Almighty. 12 "But you profane it by saying of the Lord's table, 'It is defiled,' and of its food, 'It is contemptible.' 13 And you say, 'What a burden!' and you sniff at it contemptuously," says the LORD Almighty. "When you bring injured, crippled or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?" says the LORD.

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14 "Cursed is the cheat who has an acceptable male in his flock and vows to give it, but then sacrifices a blemished animal to the Lord. For I am a great king," says the LORD Almighty, "and my name is to be feared among the nations.

Malachi 1:6-14

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)
Most holy and merciful Father; we acknowledge and confess before Thee; our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned; in wandering from Your ways; in wasting Your gifts; in forgetting Your love. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us; who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased Thee. Teach us to hate our sins; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins for the sake of Thy dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father; help us, we ask Thee; to live in Thy light and walk in Thy ways; according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Book of Common Worship, p. 12

Assurance of Pardon

"Come now, let us reason together," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

Isaiah 1:18

The Musical Offering *Soaring*

The Second Scripture Lesson

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God-- this is your spiritual act of worship. 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-- his good, pleasing and perfect will. 3 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.

Romans 12:1-3

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

I Will Rejoice

by Georg Phillip Telemann

I will rejoice to the heavens above, I will sing and rejoice forevermore.

All day long I will rejoice and sing a song of peace and joy,

With heart and voice I will sing, with heart and voice,

With heart and voice, with heart and voice I will sing songs of joy,

Sing songs of peace and joy; sing songs of peace and joy.

I will rejoice to the heavens above, I will sing and rejoice forevermore.

All day long, I will rejoice and sing a song of peace and joy.

With heart and voice I will sing, with heart and voice,

With heart and voice I will sing songs of joy,

Sing songs of peace and joy sing songs of peace and joy.

I will sing songs of joy. I will sing songs of joy!

The Third Scripture Lesson

When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. 15 So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!" 17 His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me."

John 2:13-17

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

**** Glorifying God in Song** Be Thou My Vision Hymn # 642

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

Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1-2

Offertory

How Firm a Foundation arr. Cindy Berry

*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**

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Hymn # 585

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata in G - William Hieronymous Pachelbel

***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

Ladies' Evening Bible Study

This **Thursday, April 28**, the Ladies' Evening Bible Study will begin a new study in Psalms, which will continue until we take a break for the summer. If you would like to participate in this new study, then please call or text Donna Waugh (813-956-7551) and she will order a workbook for you. If you have any other questions, feel free to contact Donna Waugh or Jamie Dalton (813-221-7888).

Don't Forget!

- Registration for the Youth Beach Retreat closes **TOMORROW**, April 25th. Registration is now \$150.
- Middle School Camp Kalaqua dates are July 11-15. More information coming soon!
- Local High School Mission Project partnering with Habitat for Humanity July 25-30



Ladies,

Mark your calendars for an upcoming Women's Retreat to be held September 23-24 at Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center. More information to follow.

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 class attendees will have fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. For the Bible study portion, we will proceed at a more introductory pace. In other words, if some of the other class options seem a little too “heady” or advanced, then this is the class for you. Class attendees are encouraged to comment and raise their own questions, as Ben guides the discussion. 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 & Diane Keen	#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 / 9 th -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 ~ April 17 – April 23

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

THURSDAY: Women's Bible Study, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY: Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



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Last Sunday's Attendance: 116

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 4,820.52

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>April</u>	<u>May</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	<i>Andy Thomson</i> <i>Brian Armstrong</i>	<i>Randy Johnson Family</i>
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	<i>Bill Cutler</i>	<i>Randy Johnson</i>
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	<i>Randy Johnson</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Jackie Toenes</i>
<i>May 1:</i>	<i>Steve Strickland</i>
<i>May 8:</i>	<i>Karen Collins</i>



Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Tami Pothoven</i>
<i>May 1:</i>	<i>Diane Keen</i>
<i>May 8:</i>	<i>Geena Lang</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – May 1:</u> <i>Judy Dostal</i> <i>Andy Thomson</i> <i>Pat Bardin</i> <i>Ananta Rivera</i>	<u>May 8:</u> <i>Ruth Adsit</i> <i>Kerri Connolly</i> <i>Jamie Dalton</i> <i>Judy Wildeboer</i>
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April Birthdays & Anniversaries



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