

**Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM**  
**November 18, 2012**  
**Twenty-Fifth 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 at the back.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Prelude**

*Aria in F Major - Handel*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalms 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**

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

Hymn #715

## **\*\* 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 First Scripture Lesson**

<sup>22</sup> Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. <sup>23</sup> Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the LORD your God at the place he will choose as a dwelling for his Name, so that you may learn to revere the LORD your God always. <sup>24</sup> But if that place is too distant and you have been blessed by the LORD your God and cannot carry your tithe (because the place where the LORD will choose to put his Name is so far away), <sup>25</sup> then exchange your tithe for silver, and take the silver with you and go to the place the LORD your God will choose. <sup>26</sup> Use the silver to buy whatever you like: cattle, sheep, wine or other fermented drink, or anything you wish. Then you and your household shall eat there in the presence of the LORD your God and rejoice. <sup>27</sup> And do not neglect the Levites living in your towns, for they have no allotment or inheritance of their own. <sup>28</sup> At the end of every three years, bring all the tithes of that year's produce and store it in your towns, <sup>29</sup> so that the Levites (who have no allotment or inheritance of their own) and the aliens, the fatherless and the widows who live in your towns may come and eat and be satisfied, and so that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.

Deuteronomy 14:22-29

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

## **The Confession of Our Sins**

*Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

- A prayer attributed to St. Francis

## **Assurance of Pardon**

### **Musical Offering**

## **The Second Scripture Lesson**

<sup>1</sup>And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup>Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. <sup>3</sup>For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, <sup>4</sup>they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. <sup>5</sup>And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will. <sup>6</sup>So we urged Titus, since he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. <sup>7</sup>But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. <sup>8</sup>I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:1-9

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**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 Anthem

*All To Jesus I Surrender –*  
Judson Van Deventer and Mark Hill

All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely Give;  
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.  
I surrender all, I surrender all, I surrender all to Christ, my blessed Savior,  
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, make me Savior, wholly Thine.  
Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine.  
I surrender all, I surrender all, I surrender all to Christ, my blessed Savior,  
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord I give myself to Thee;  
Fill me with Thy love and power, let Thy blessings fall on me.  
I surrender all, I surrender all to my Redeemer;  
all to Christ, my blessed Savior,  
I surrender all, I surrender all to Jesus, I surrender all.

## The Third Scripture Lesson

<sup>38</sup> As he taught, Jesus said, “Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup> and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. <sup>40</sup> They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. Such men will be punished most severely.”

<sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup> But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. <sup>43</sup> Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup> They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

Mark 12:38-44

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

**\*\* Offertory Hymn**  
*Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting*  
Hymn #188

## **\*\* Offertory Statement & Prayer of Dedication**

<sup>6</sup>But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup>For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup>But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. <sup>9</sup>People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. <sup>11</sup>But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup>In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup>to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup>who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

I Timothy 6:6-16

### **The Offertory**

*This is My Father's World* – arr. Anna Laura Page

*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**  
*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*  
Hymn #598

**\*\* Benediction**

**Postlude**  
*Prelude and Fugue in a Minor - J.S. Bach*

## *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](http://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](mailto: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



**Thanksgiving Eve Service** - Please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service/Time of Sharing in the Sanctuary on **THIS Wednesday, November 21 beginning at 7:00 PM.**

**Program Note Reminder** – Just a reminder that we will not have Sunday School on November 25 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. However, please do join us for our Fellowship Time immediately after the service.



**Hanging of the Green for Advent** - Save the Date for **Saturday, December 1 from 2 pm to 5 pm** to help set up the Christmas tree for the Advent Season. *Men especially are welcome and needed at this event!* Please note that the start time is a little different than in prior years (as a conference will be held in the Sanctuary that morning by another church). But do make plans now to join in the decorating fun! See Jackie Toenes for more information.



*Hanging of the Green*



**Congregational Meeting** - Please make plans to attend our annual congregational meeting on **Sunday, December 16, immediately after the morning worship service.** The purpose of this meeting is: 1) to elect new officers; 2) present the 2013 Church Budget to the congregation and entertain and address any questions not already answered previously; and, 3) to elect and seat/reseat trustees of the corporation. No other business will be discussed at this meeting (per our *Book of Church Order*).

## *Women's Ministry Announcement*

We are excited to announce an event the women of our church will not want to miss!

Ladies, you are enthusiastically invited to --

### *"Loving Relationships": A Women's Retreat*

Over the course of the retreat, we will be studying God's word to learn more about our Lord and Savior and what He desires from our relationships, especially the challenging ones. This will be almost 24 hours of fellowship, worship, rest and fun-- all dedicated to drawing closer to God and one another!

**When:** *Friday, February 22 - Saturday February 23, 2013*

**Where:** Dayspring Conference Center, Ellenton, Florida

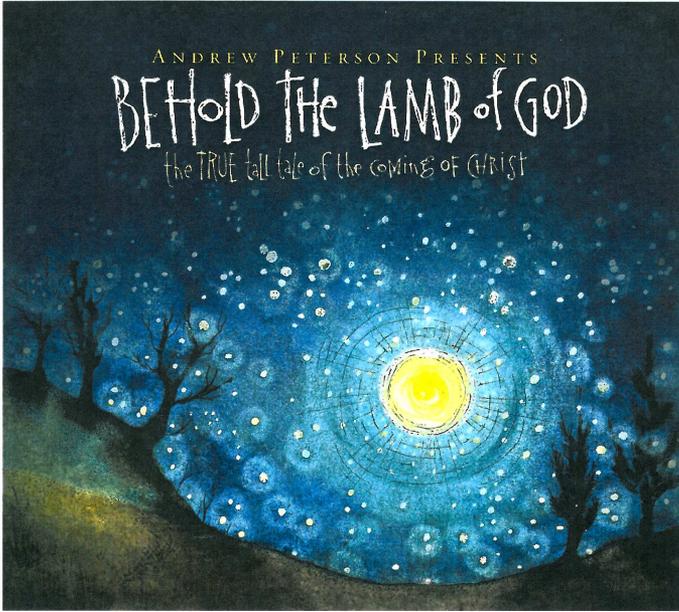
The cost of the retreat (including 1 night's stay and 3 meals) will be between \$55-90, depending on the level of accommodation requested.

So Ladies, if you are interested or if you have any questions about the retreat, please contact Kelly Fernandez at 813-420-8662 or [kellyjfernandez@hotmail.com](mailto:kellyjfernandez@hotmail.com).

Formal registration will begin soon, but for now, your RSVP (even if tentative) will help greatly in planning the event.

Also, extra help is needed to plan fun activities and serve as retreat facilitators. (Any former camp counselors out there?) Please let Kelly know if you'd like in on the fun!

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND  
CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, WINTER HAVEN PRESENT



## **Behold The Lamb of God**

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT EVENT FEATURING  
ANDREW PETERSON, WITH SPECIAL GUESTS  
MATTHEW PERRYMAN JONES, JILL PHILLIPS, ANDY  
GULLAHORN, ANDREW OSENGA, AND MORE!

**December 15, 7 pm**

**At The Polk Theatre**

**139 S. Florida Ave, Lakeland**

Tickets are \$5/person or \$10/person  
(\$10 ticket includes Andrew's new album: "Light For The Lost Boy")  
and are available at:

<http://tinyurl.com/Lakeland2012BTLoGTickets>

**For more information, contact Trinity Presbyterian Church  
at [trinity@lakeland.org](mailto:trinity@lakeland.org) or 863-603-7777.**

## Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

### Prayer/Praise:

- Larry Dickey – health & strengthening
- Kim Dostal (DIL of Judy Dostal) & Alan Dostal (Judy’s husband)
- Servy & Raquel Fernandez – parents’ health issues; Servy’s new business
- Amarnath Boodoosingh – better employment

### Pray for our missionaries:

- Scott & Kathy Craig, MTW/Short-term Team Coordinators in Costa Rica
- Don & Judy Vander Ploeg, Wycliffe/JAARS; Papua New Guinea
- Dave Hawes, Navigators – training and development
- Jeff Lee, Reformed University Ministries @ USF

E-mail: [prayer-list@lists.seminolepca.org](mailto: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	Jane Lambers & Cathy Gartman	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Raquel Fernandez & Liz Hickerson	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Therese McKenzie & Diane Keen	#107
Jr. High / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton & Richard Zak	The Tower
Sr. High / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Ben Lambers	#101
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Gospel of Mark	Bryan Toenes	#102
Adult – How to Study the Bible	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

## *Current Adult Classes*

### **Walden Class – Update - Room 108**

*Teacher: Matthew McKenzie*

The Walden class is made up of folks of all ages, from young adult to those in their late eighties. From a group such as that you may well imagine the range of perspective the discussions take. This class is a Bible study class, open to class discussion, questions, and comments. We study Old Testament as well as New testament books. The length of time (weeks) to complete a Study depends on the class participation and the discussion level generated by a particular text. We do keep a schedule, but are open to the leading of God's Holy Spirit and follow where scripture leads. If this sounds like your kind of Bible study then by all means come and join us. Our worship service is conducive to the study of solid spiritual food, the encouragement to practice what we learn and to follow the leading of Micah 6:8: "To act justly, To love mercy, To walk humbly with our God". The Walden class meets in each Sunday morning from 10:45 to 11:45 with greetings, prayer for the needs of God's people, and Bible study. Come join us, you are most welcome!

### **Gospel of Mark – Room 102**

*Teacher: Bryan Toenes*

This fall Bryan Toenes has been leading a study of the Gospel of Mark. Today we conclude our study of this Gospel by looking at the last twelve verses commonly referred to as the Longer Ending of Mark. Did Mark write these twelve verses? If not, did he intend to end his Gospel at verse 8 of Chapter 16 with the women leaving the empty tomb in fear? If not, what happened to the original ending? And if Mark did not write these twelve verses, might they still be considered inspired scripture to be included as part of our canon? Join us this morning as we attempt to answer these questions in the conclusion to our study of the Gospel of Mark.

### **How to Study the Bible – Church Office**

*Teacher: Joe DeNitto*

Have you ever had problems understanding God's Word? When you come to a passage in the Bible that confuses you, do you tend to read past it? Would you like to have more tools to assist you in your Bible study? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then this class is for you. Together we will learn many ways to faithfully study the scriptures and apply these techniques to scripture passages, so that very practical methods will be developed for your study. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the church office for this class. It could change the way you read, think about and understand the Bible.

## This Week at SPC ~ November 18 - 24

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am
- MS/HS Youth Group, 5:30 pm  
@ Luther Tower (on campus)
- WEDNESDAY:** Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7 pm
- THURSDAY:** Thanksgiving Day  
*Church Office Closed*



- November 29:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- December 1:** Advent Decorating, 2 pm – 5 pm
- December 4:** Session Meeting, 7 pm
- December 16:** Congregational Meeting
- December 24:** Christmas Eve Service, 6 pm



### SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 125

Last Sunday's Offering: \$6,578.15

*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

## *Children's Worship Volunteers*

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Hannah Johnson	Alex Johnson	Julia White
Next Week:	Kelly Fernandez	Cameron Pothoven	Nora Fernandez
Dec. 2:	TBA	TBA	TBA

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

## *Coffee Volunteers*

### **Coffee Volunteers**

Today:	Larry Dickey (replacement)
Next Week:	Rob Edwards
Dec. 2:	TBA

# November Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Birthdays

Andy Thomson 11/3	Sammy Fernandez 11/9
Stan Wildeboer 11/3	Marcy Edwards 11/12
Kathryn White 11/3	Cathy Gartman 11/14
Julia White 11/3	Sara Blue 11/16
Steve White 11/7	Nicholas Lambers 11/17
Glenda Fellows 11/8	Judy Dostal 11/20
Emily Johnson 11/9	Luke Hoopes 11/24
Pam Bergen 11/9	Darby White 11/25
Ananta Boodoosingh 11/9	

## Anniversaries

Kevin & Kerri Connolly 11/16
Alan & Judy Dostal 11/21
Jake & Mary Beckel 11/23