

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM
March 24, 2013
Palm Sunday

*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

Peace Be With You

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Revelation 4:8-11

Leader: Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come."

People: **Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever,**

Leader: the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne, and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

ALL: **"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."**

**** Glorifying God in Song**
Crown Him with Many Crowns
Hymn #295

**** 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

11 Now what I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. 12 It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, "Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" 13 Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may obey it?" 14 No, the word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart so you may obey it. 15 See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. 16 For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess. 17 But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, 18 I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. 19 This day I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live 20 and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

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

The Confession of Our Sins

“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

Musical Offering

What Wondrous Love

The Second Scripture Lesson

1 Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. 2 For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. 3 Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. 4 Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. 5 Moses describes in this way the righteousness that is by the law: "The man who does these things will live by them." 6 But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) 7 "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming: 9 That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. 11 As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame." 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile-- the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Romans 10:1-13

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 Anthem

Sing To The Lord Hosanna! - Patrick Liebergen

Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna in the highest!

Sing hosanna, hosanna!
Sing to the Lord hosanna!
Sing hosanna! Sing to the Lord hosanna!
(Repeat)

Sing hosanna! Sing to the Lord hosanna!
Sing hosanna! Sing to the Lord hosanna!

Blessed is He, the King adored;
Lift your voice, O praise the Lord!
Joyfully sing, He enters here;
Join the songs resounding clear!

All the people call Him King,
Hear the news we gladly bring!
Shout hosannas to His name;
Loud hosannas we proclaim!

Sing hosanna, hosanna!
Sing to the Lord hosanna!
Sing hosanna!
Sing to the Lord hosanna!
(Repeat)

Sing hosanna! Sing to the Lord hosanna!
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Featuring Adriana Fontanini on the d'jembe.

The Third Scripture Lesson

51 As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. 52 And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; 53 but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. 54 When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" 55 But Jesus turned and rebuked them, 56 and they went to another village. 57 As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58 Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head." 59 He said to another man, "Follow me." But the man replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." 60 Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God." 61 Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say good-bye to my family." 62 Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

Luke 9:51-62

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

**** Offertory Hymn** *And Can It Be That I Should Gain* Hymn #455

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

6 With what shall I come before the LORD and bow down before the exalted God? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? 8 He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:6-8

The Offertory

Wondrous Love - arr. Fred Bock

*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**

I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice
Hymn #533

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Agincourt Hymn - 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

Holy Week Activities



Maundy Thursday/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. The choir will be presenting the work *Tenebrae, A Service of Darkness*, with accompanying strings and oboe. The sacrament of holy communion will also be served. The service will be held **THIS Thursday, March 28 at 7:00pm** in the Sanctuary.

Jesus is Alive! Death could not hold him! Join us as we celebrate and praise our resurrected Lord on **Easter Sunday, March 31**. Following the morning's celebration, we will have a continental breakfast/time of fellowship in the Snyder Building. *(Please note: Sunday School will be suspended for this morning.)*



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

Easter Volunteers Are Needed! – If you can help with the Easter Fellowship Breakfast, please contact Jackie Toenes: 813-220-4095 or jtoenes@seminolepca.org **ASAP!**

Help is needed setting up (*men needed!*), food plattering/placing food on the tables, and in clean up. ***Volunteer Today!!!***

Attention Children's Worship Volunteers and Assistants!



Our new materials are in and I am very excited to share them with you! *Please plan to attend a short meeting immediately following the worship service on **Sunday, April 7th** in the Children's Worship classroom (Room 109/111).*

Thanks, *Randa*



**Save the Date for Middle School
Camp at Camp Kulaqua:**

July 15 - 19

Our Condolences Go To:



The Waugh Family – in the loss of Donna's father, Richard "Dick" Klebe, who passed away on Saturday, March 9. A memorial service was held in celebration of his life on Monday, March 18.

The Dalton Family – in the loss of Jamie's grandmother, Juanita Shreve, who passed away on Thursday, March 14.

Please continue to lift up both families in prayer as they adjust to life without their respective loved one.



The Session, in consultation with the Diaconate, recently created the service role of “SPC Greeter”. The Session also revised the collection of the offering during the service.

Greeters: Beginning on April 7, 2013, SPC Greeters will welcome worshippers into the sanctuary, distribute bulletins and hymnals, and provide basic guidance to visitors. We encourage you to serve as greeter if you are a regular SPC worshiper (members and non-members). Families are encouraged to serve as a unit.



To serve as a greeter simply email: greeters@seminolepca.org. We will respond with an email providing more details about greeting as well as available openings in the greeter rotation. Please note that, if you were previously serving as an usher, you will be scheduled as a greeter on your regular rotation, so there is no need to re-register.

Offering Collection: Beginning on April 7, 2013, in full accord with their Biblical calling, only ordained officers (currently or formerly serving elders or deacons) will collect the offering.

Please contact Alex Fernandez at
813.420.8658 if you have any questions.



Costa Rica Mission Team

Join with us as we seek to fulfill the foreign missions thrust of SPC's vision by sending our very first missions team to our mission partners in Costa Rica!

You can help us! As we work hard at preparing over the next three and a half months through prayer, Bible study, research, language learning, and reading, *you can come along side us and send us out with prayer, encouragement and financial support!* Did you know that it will cost almost \$14,000 to send our team of eleven people to Costa Rica for eight days? **We are asking that Seminole Church contribute one third of this cost (roughly \$4,500) by supporting our fundraising efforts. Are you with us?** Stay tuned and we will be providing information on some upcoming fundraising opportunities that will help us reach this goal.



First Hug is a program established by Metropolitan Ministries that seeks to stabilize and strengthen homeless families with young children in our immediate community. To make this program a success, *MetMin is looking for members of our church to assist in the First Hug program.* There are three different ways we can help out with this program: 1.) First Responder; 2.) Family Mentor; or 3.) Parent-Child Home Program.



Specific program training is provided for each of these different areas.
Training and background screening are mandatory for participation
in any area of the First Hug program.

The next training is coming up on Saturday, April 13 from 9 am – 12 pm (location TBA). The First Hug program is a great way to employ the skills God has blessed each one of us with in assisting a struggling family to regain self-sufficiency. **Please prayerfully consider how you may participate in the First Hug program.**

Contact Jackie Toenes to volunteer and/or with any questions:
813-220-4095 or jtoenes@seminolepca.org.

Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer/Praise:

- Lois Callen
- Kim Dostal (DIL of Judy Dostal) & Alan Dostal (Judy's husband)

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 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 4-5 / K4–K5	Jane Lambers & Liz Hickerson	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 st - 2 nd Grade	Lisa Johnson & Laura Strickland	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd –5 th Grade	Therese McKenzie & Cathy Armstrong	#107
Jr. High / 6 th –8 th Grade	Gregg Quick	#100
Sr. High / 9 th –12 th Grade	Joe DeNitto	#101
CR Mission Team Training	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Genesis	Brian Waugh	#102
Adult – Spiritual Disciplines	Randy Johnson	Church Office

Current Adult Classes

Walden Class – 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!

Spiritual Disciplines – Church Office

Teacher: Randy Johnson

“Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.” (1 Cor 9:24-25) Our class on Spiritual Disciplines will explore how we can better train ourselves to grow in spiritual health and maintain our relationship with Christ and His Church. Join RE Randy Johnson as we explore spiritual disciplines and encourage each other on to win the race. We will explore how to pursue spiritual health and to do so with purpose. “Therefore, I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.” (v 26-27). Let us take seriously Paul’s call to work diligently on our spiritual growth.

Genesis – Room 102

Teacher: Brian Waugh

Genesis shows us patterns where God moves his people from places of turmoil and sin to places of goodness and joy. In this process, He chooses to use people who are flawed and weak to fulfill his plan. Throughout this book we see His salvation and provision shine forth over and over again. Join RE Brian Waugh as we look at these patterns and see how they apply to our lives today and propel us toward His heavenly kingdom.

This Week at SPC ~ March 24 - 30

- 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
- TUESDAY:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY:** Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service,
7 pm
- FRIDAY:** Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am



- March 31:** Easter Sunday
- April 2:** Session Meeting, 7 pm
- April 25:** Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm
- April 27:** Canoe Trip, 9:30 am



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 116

Last Sunday's Offering: \$18,152.18

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><i>Teacher</i></u>	<u><i>Helper</i></u>	<u><i>Banner Bearer</i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Therese McKenzie</i>	<i>Paul McKenzie</i>	<i>Dominick Zak</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	<i>Keegan Melendi</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>
<i>April 7:</i>	<i>Gail Chang</i>	<i>Nicholas Lambers</i>	<i>Kathryn White</i>

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

Coffee Volunteers

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<i>Today:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>
<i>Next Week:</i>	<i>Easter Volunteers</i>
<i>April 7:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

<i>Lisa Johnson 3/3</i>	<i>Virginia Dohle 3/17</i>
<i>Alina Sanchez 3/6</i>	<i>Dan Fernandez 3/19</i>
<i>Becca Armstrong 3/11</i>	<i>Kit Rackham 3/22</i>
<i>Susan Smith 3/12</i>	<i>Ralph Colbert 3/27</i>
<i>Marilyn Horst 3/13</i>	<i>Diane Keen 3/29</i>

Anniversaries

Gregg & Sally Quick 3/18