

Morning Worship Service 9:00 AM

November 24, 2013

Last 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

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Revelation 5:11-14

Leader: Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders.

People: **In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"**

Leader: Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

ALL: **The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.**

**** 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

1 While Israel was staying in Shittim, the men began to indulge in sexual immorality with Moabite women, 2 who invited them to the sacrifices to their gods. The people ate and bowed down before these gods. 3 So Israel joined in worshiping the Baal of Peor. And the LORD's anger burned against them. 4 The LORD said to Moses, "Take all the leaders of these people, kill them and expose them in broad daylight before the LORD, so that the LORD's fierce anger may turn away from Israel." 5 So Moses said to Israel's judges, "Each of you must put to death those of your men who have joined in worshiping the Baal of Peor." 6 Then an Israelite man brought to his family a Midianite woman right before the eyes of Moses and the whole assembly of Israel while they were weeping at the entrance to the Tent of Meeting. 7 When Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, the priest, saw this, he left the assembly, took a spear in his hand 8 and followed the Israelite into the tent. He drove the spear through both of them-- through the Israelite and into the woman's body. Then the plague against the Israelites was stopped; 9 but those who died in the plague numbered 24,000. 10 The LORD said to Moses, 11 "Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, the priest, has turned my anger away from the Israelites; for he was as zealous as I am for my honor among them, so that in my zeal I did not put an end to them. 12 Therefore tell him I am making my covenant of peace with him. 13 He and his descendants will have a covenant of a lasting priesthood, because he was zealous for the honor of his God and made atonement for the Israelites."

Numbers 25:1-13

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

The Confession of Our Sins

"O Lord, full of mercy and grace, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone: give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love, to adore you, Lord, a heart to delight in you, to follow, to rejoice in you, for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen"

-St. Ambrose

Assurance of Pardon

Musical Offering

The Second Scripture Lesson

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Colossians 1:15-20

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 Anthem

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

A Hymn Concertato

for congregational singing

Words by MARTIN RINKART (1586-1649)

Trans. by CATHERINE WINKWORTH (1827-1878)

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Music by JOHANN CRÜGER (1598-1662)

Arranged by HAL H. HOPSON

Verse 1:

CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voice - es,
who won-drous things hath done, in whom this world re - joice - es;
who from our moth - ers' arms hath blessed us on our way
with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.

Verse 2:

(Choir only)

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us still in grace and guide us when perplexed;
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

Verse 3:

CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,
the Son, and Him who reigns with them in high - est heav - en,
the one e - ter - nal God whom earth and heav'n a - dore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev - er - more.

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The Third Scripture Lesson

33 When they came to the place called the Skull, there they crucified him, along with the criminals-- one on his right, the other on his left. 34 Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. 35 The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." 36 The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar 37 and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself." 38 There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. 39 One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!" 40 But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? 41 We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong." 42 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." 43 Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

Luke 23:33-43

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

**** Offertory Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* Hymn #263

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

20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear 21 so that I return safely to my father's house, then the LORD will be my God 22 and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

Genesis 28:20-22

The Offertory

Now Thank We All Our God - arr. Michael Larkin

*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**

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

Hymn #307

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God - J. S. Bach/Biggs

*** 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



Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 27, 7:00 PM

Please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service/Time of Sharing in the Sanctuary **THIS Wednesday, November 27 beginning at 7:00 PM.**

Hanging of the Green for Advent

Saturday, November 30, 9:00 AM

Come out **THIS Saturday, November 30 from 9 am to 12 pm** to help set up the Christmas tree for the Advent Season. *Men especially are welcome and needed at this event!* Do make plans now to join in the decorating fun! See Jackie Toenes for more information.



Program Note Reminder

No Sunday School December 1

Just a reminder that we will not have Sunday School on December 1 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. However, please do join us for our Fellowship Time immediately after the service.



Make-And-Take: Parents' Night Out

Saturday, November 30, 6:30-9:30 PM



Your Seminole Presbyterian Student Ministry would like to give parents an early gift for Christmas...an evening out!

A Christmas Make-and-Take will be held **Saturday, November 30**. Drop off your children at the Lang's home (9420 Larkbunting Drive in New Tampa) anytime after 6:30 PM. While at the house, with the guidance of our Youth, your children will make several Christmas gifts and wrapping items. Meanwhile, parents will be free to shop, have dinner, or go to a movie. The Langs are centrally located to a variety of shops and malls, including Wiregrass. (A map will be provided to parents at drop-off the night of.) Then, return to pick up your happy and exhausted children at 9:30 PM. All we ask is that they're fed dinner before drop-off. Snacks will be provided. Please contact Tami Lang at tamilang@verizon.net to secure your child(ren)'s spot.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, December 8



Please make plans to attend our annual congregational meeting on **Sunday, December 8, immediately after the morning worship service**. The purpose of this meeting is: 1) present the 2014 Church Budget to the congregation and entertain and address any questions not already answered previously; and, 2) to elect and seat/reseat trustees of the corporation. No other business will be discussed at this meeting (per our *Book of Church Order*).

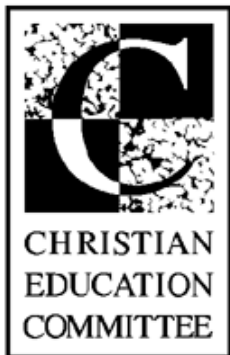
MS/HS Youth Progressive Dinner Christmas Party!

Sunday, December 8, 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM



Middle and High School students don't miss out on this awesome party. We will meet at the church at 5 pm. Then we will travel to three different church member's homes enjoying a different course of a yummy dinner at each house. As we journey together on our established route of homes, we will eat an appetizer, a main course, and dessert, along with having some great fun along the way. At our final house we will have a crazy gift exchange. Have your parents pick you up at the Dalton's home at 9:00 pm (5903 N Tampa St.). Please invite a friend and **sign-up by Tuesday, December 3**. **Required:** 1.) Notarized Medical Release for 2013-14 school year (required for invited friends too; the form can be downloaded from the church's website [www.seminolepca.org] under the Student Ministries section of the Ministries tab.); 2.) A new wrapped gift valued at \$5 or less.

*Progressive
Dinner*



Christian Education Committee

New Members Welcome

The Christian Education Committee is looking to add a few members beginning in January 2014. If you have an interest in serving or would like to know more about what the committee does and what the responsibilities are, please contact the committee chair Bryan Toenes at 813-732-1175 or btoenes@seminolepca.org.

Order Your Poinsettia

It's time to place your orders for poinsettias to beautify the Sanctuary for Christmas. The cost of each plant is **\$7.00**.

If you would like to place an order please email the following information to church@seminolepca.org:

1. Quantity Desired
2. How the plant(s) is to be dedicated.



Please make your checks payable to SPC (marked Poinsettias), and place them in the offering plate. The deadline for ordering is **Sunday, December 8**. Plants may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service.

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Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

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 & Page 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	Cathy Gartman & Tami Lang	#109
Ages 6-7 / 1 st - 2 nd Grade	Rainey Hoopes & Lucas Lambers	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd -5 th Grade	Diane Keen & Sara Royer	#107
Jr. High / 6 th -8 th Grade	Richard Zak	#101
Sr. High / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – Change and Your Relationships	Ben Lambers	#102
Adult – Study of James	Joe DeNitto	Church Office

Current Adult Sunday School Classes

Walden Class – Room 108

Teacher: Matthew McKenzie

The Walden Class, which is currently studying Galatians, 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 in connection to personal and cultural situation and circumstances.

Study of James – Church Office

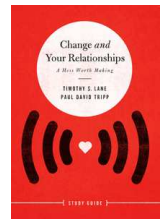
Teacher: Elder Joe DeNitto

We all want a faith that won't let us down in times of trouble or loss, uncertainty or fear. A faith that can pull us through the worst—and best—times in our lives. This is the kind of faith that James wrote about. It is the faith that we practice day by day. Studying James will help us grow a steadfast faith that can carry us through life. Come join Elder Joe DeNitto in the church office for this class. Our study will involve group discussions and personal reflection on over 120 questions about the text. Together we will explore topics and themes in the book of James.

Change and Your Relationships – Room 102

Teacher: Elder Ben Lambers

God designed us to be relational—it is our very nature, and it is one way in which we reflect the image of God. And only when we live in community do we fully reflect the likeness of God. Relationships are not optional! Because of sin, relationships can be messy, but they are not optional. *Change and Your Relationships* is a study that will help individuals and small groups identify the deeper issues that keep relationships from being less than they were designed by God to be. Based on principles from the book, *Relationships: A Mess Worth Making*, this curriculum gives practical direction on how to resolve conflicts, have difficult conversations, grant forgiveness, overlook weaknesses, and celebrate strengths. So come and join Elder Ben Lambers as he leads you through *Change and Your Relationships*.



This Week at SPC ~ Nov. 24 - 30

SUNDAY:

Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am

MS/HS Youth Group
Luther Tower, 5:30 pm

WEDNESDAY:

Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7 pm

THURSDAY:

Thanksgiving Day/*Church Offices Closed*

FRIDAY:

Seniors Covenant Group, 10 am

SATURDAY:

Hanging of the Green, 9 am

Make & Take Parents' Night Out, 6:30 pm
@ the Lang's home



December 2:

Deacons' Meeting, 7 pm

December 3:

Session Meeting, 7 pm

December 8:

Congregational Meeting, following worship

MS/HS Progressive Dinner



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 145

Last Sunday's Offering: \$20,426.67

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>November</u>	<u>December</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	McKenzie Family	Bryan Toenes Rick Brownlee Jared Frail
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	Matthew McKenzie	Servy Fernandez

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
Today:	Therese McKenzie	John McKenzie	Nora Fernandez
Next Week:	Tami Pothoven	Shannon Pothoven	Dominick Zak
Dec. 8:	Kelly Fernandez	Abby Johnson	Nora Fernandez

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

Coffee Volunteers

Today:	Andy Thomson
Next Week:	Steve Strickland
Dec. 8:	Andrea Cawley

Nursery Volunteers

Today:	Diane Keen
Next Week:	Deana Johnson
Dec. 8:	Adrienne / Jane Lambers

WE  **VOLUNTEERS**

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – Dec 1:</u>	<u>Dec. 8:</u>
TBA	TBA
TBA	TBA
TBA	TBA
TBA	TBA

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Wayne Chang 11/1

Andy Thomson 11/3

Stan Wildeboer 11/3

Kathryn White 11/3

Julia White 11/3

Steve White 11/7

Glenda Fellows 11/8

Emily Johnson 11/9

Pam Bergen 11/9

Ananta Boodoosingh 11/9

Sammy Fernandez 11/9

Alan Dostal 11/11

Marcy Edwards 11/12

Cathy Gartman 11/14

Victoria Fontanini 11/15

Nicholas Lambers 11/17

Judy Dostal 11/20

Luke Hoopes 11/24

Darby White 11/25

Anniversaries

Kevin & Kerri Connolly 11/16

Alan & Judy Dostal 11/21



Anniversaries
and Birthdays