# Morning Worship Service May 25, 2014 - 9:00 AM Sixth Sunday of Easter

Please adjust all electronic communication devices so as not to disrupt the service. If you need to leave the Sanctuary, please use the exits <u>in the narthex</u>.

# Welcome & Announcements

# Silent Reflection

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 86

#### 86 Q. Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace alone through Christ, without any merit of our own, yet, why must we do good works?

A. Because Christ, having redeemed us by His blood, also renews us by His Holy Spirit to be His image, so that with our whole life we may show ourselves thankful to God for His benefits, and He may be praised by us.

Further, that we ourselves may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and that by our godly walk of life we may win our neighbors for Christ.

# Prelude

My Song in the Night - arr. by Rhett Barnwell Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

# **Call to Worship**

#### Psalm 24

- Leader: The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; For he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters.
- People: Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place?
- Leader: He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.
- People: He will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God his Savior.
- Leader: Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- People: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- Leader: Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- People: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- All: Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty-- he is the King of glory.

# \*\* Glorifying God in Song

# Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him

Hymn # 17

# **\*\*** The Invocation

#### **\*\*** The Apostles' Creed

## **\*\*The Gloria Patri** Hymn # 734

# The First Scripture Lesson

1 O LORD, you have searched me and you know me. 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. 4 Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD. 5 You hem me in-- behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. 7 Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? 8 If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. 9 If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, 10 even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. 11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," 12 even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you. 13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. 14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. 15 My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, 16 your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. 17 How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand. When I awake, I am still with you. 19 If only you would slay the wicked, O God! Away from me, you bloodthirsty men! 20 They speak of you with evil intent; your adversaries misuse your name. 21 Do I not hate those who hate you, O LORD, and abhor those who rise up against you? 22 I have nothing but hatred for them; I count them my enemies. 23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalm 139:1-24

Leader:The Word of the LordPeople:Thanks be to God

## Anthem Try Me, O God James Nares

Try me, try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart; Prove me, and examine my thoughts.Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me; And lead me in the way everlasting.

Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me; And lead me in the way everlasting, Lead me in the way everlasting. Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me; And lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

# The Confession of Our Sins

(If you are able, we invite you to kneel so that our outward posture reflects our inward attitude)

"Holy Lord, I have sinned times without number,

and been guilty of pride and unbelief,

of failure to find thy mind in thy Word,

of neglect to seek thee in my daily life.

My transgressions and short-comings

present me with a list of accusations,

But I bless thee that they will not stand against me,

for all have been laid on Christ:

Go on to subdue my corruptions, and grant me grace to live above them.

Purge me from every false desire, every base aspiration

everything contrary to thy rule.

Deliver me from every evil habit

from everything that dims the brightness of thy grace in me,

from everything that prevents me taking delight in thee.

Then I shall bless thee, God of Jeshurun, for helping me to be upright. AMEN"

(note: Jeshurun is a poetic variant of Israel and means "the upright one") -The Valley of Vision p.77

# **Assurance of Pardon**

"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Romans 8:1

# The Second Scripture Lesson

12 Now when I went to Troas to preach the gospel of Christ and found that the Lord had opened a door for me, 13 I still had no peace of mind, because I did not find my brother Titus there. So I said good-by to them and went on to Macedonia. 14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him. 15 For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. 16 To the one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task? 17 Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, like men sent from God.

2 Corinthians 2:12-17

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.

# Musical Offering Andante

# The Third Scripture Lesson

13 "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.

Matthew 5:13

Leader:The Word of the LordPeople:Thanks be to God

# **\*\* Glorifying God in Song**

More about Jesus Would I Know Hymn # 538

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

14 "But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand. 15 We are aliens and strangers in your sight, as were all our forefathers. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. 16 O LORD our God, as for all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name, it comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you. 17 I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things have I given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you. 18 O LORD, God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Israel, keep this desire in the hearts of your people forever, and keep their hearts loyal to you.

1Chronicles 29:14-18

# **The Offertory**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah - arr. Larry Shackley 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. Bob Burridge

# **\*\* Glorifying God in Song**

Breathe on Me, Breath of God Hymn # 334

## \* Benediction

## Postlude

Toccata in E - Pachelbel

#### 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

#### **Memorial Day Swim Party!**

Memorial Day is fast approaching and the Pothovens would like to invite you to their annual Memorial Day open house swim **TOMORROW**, **May 26th** from **10am-3pm**. Come sit and relax, enjoy some refreshments, visit with friends, and of course cool off in the pool. Please bring a snack or appetizer to share. The fun will be at: 10274 Oasis Palm Drive, Tampa, 33615.



Call Steve or Tami with any questions at 813-886-4611.



# **Promotion Sunday – Next Week!**

**Moving on Up!** Please note that we will be "promoting" our children into their new Sunday School classes next Sunday, June 1.



#### Welcome to our Guest Preacher: *Rev. Bob Burridge*

Bob Burridge is a graduate of Clearwater Christian College and Biblical Theological Seminary. His focus was in the Biblical languages of Hebrew and Greek. Upon graduation in 1973 he taught full time for nine years at Skycrest Christian School in Clearwater, then for three years at



Keswick Christian School. He also served as an adjunct for nine years at the University of South Florida with their Center for Mathematical Services. He taught in the fields of Science, Bible, and Computer Programming.

Bob served for 25 years as Pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church (PCA), Pinellas Park, Florida after his ordination in 1987. He has served two presbyteries as moderator and theological examiner. He appeared as the featured guest of Dr. James Kennedy on his radio program, and of Rabbi Jan Breski on his television program. His writings include commentaries on the Westminster Confession, the Shorter Catechism, the Books of Romans, Jude, Haggai, and Habakkuk.

He is now working full time as Executive Director of the Genevan Institute for Reformed Studies which was established to examine, teach, and promote the historic Reformed faith. The ministries of the Institute are available through their web page at www.GenevanInstitute.org.

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# **Student Ministry News**

# THANK YOU!

The High School students would like to thank you for your generous donations to our spaghetti lunch fundraiser. We raised \$540.48!! This exceeds our goal of \$500! We are so thrilled to fight injustice and oppression around our world by supporting the International Justice Mission. \*To learn more about this great organization see www.ijm.org.



June 11 <u>Disney Quest</u> (10:00 am-11:00 pm) \$30

Back by popular demand! Ticket prices are normally \$47.93. But for us, it's only \$30. Disney Quest Indoor Interactive theme park is a one-of-a-kind gaming experience with 5 floors of cutting-edge technology, virtual reality and 3D encounters. There is something for everyone, from Pirates of the Caribbean, Building your own roller coaster, Virtual Jungle Cruise, Buzz Lightyear's Astroblasters, Animation Academy, to the classics like Galaga, Pac Man, or pin ball, and much much more. Bring a friend and join us!

• Sign up is due TODAY!

• Required: \$30 and a notarized Med/Release form Bring: <u>Sack lunch</u> and <u>money for dinner</u> (\$12-20)

# WILL WORK FOR CAMP

#### HELP SEND A STUDENT TO CAMP!

Summer Camp is an awesome time for our students to hear the Word of God, be refreshed by the gospel, develop relationships with others who love the Lord, and have great fun in the process.

# But... camp is getting more EXPENSIVE.



This can be hard on families sending multiple kids to camp! The good news is that our students aren't looking for a handout. No way! **They are willing to WORK in order to EARN money for camp.** Isn't that cool? So if you have any yard work, cleaning, painting, car washing, or other odd jobs for a middle school or high school age student, please contact Danny, and he will put you in contact with the parents of a student who wants to work!

\*We do recommend \$10/hour and, if possible, having students work in pairs.

Contact: Danny Dalton 813-767-7016 ddalton@seminolepca.org

## NOTE:

\*The Student Ministry <u>Summer Calendar</u> is now available on the SPC website (Ministries tab - then select Student Ministry)

\*Early registration for <u>Camp Kulaqua</u> is due TODAY.

# New Youth Sunday School Classes Beginning Next Sunday, June 1

# <u>Middle School</u> - God's Word in Today's World

Taught by Gregg Quick and Lisa Johnson

Do you recognize your sin and your need for the direction of God's Word? Do you know how God's central promise of salvation through Jesus unfolds throughout the entire Old Testament? Could you tell someone how Jesus defeats the serpent who showed up in the Garden of Eden and how he fulfills the promises made to Abraham? In summary, do you know how to study the Bible? This Great Commission Publication curriculum looks at the place of God's Word in the believer's life. In this course you will be encouraged and equipped to follow Jesus more closely as a result of learning how to studying the Bible better.

# High School - The Justice Mission

Taught by Danny Dalton

God is BIG on JUSTICE! This hard core Youth Specialties curriculum will shock you. It provides a broad and powerful introduction to the often overlooked truth that God hates oppression and injustice, that He is on the move and the gates of hell will not prevail. Follow four high school students (no different than you) as they journey through India seeing injustice with their own eyes. We will see how the gospel leads us to hate oppression, to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8).

## New Adult Sunday School Classes Beginning Next Sunday, June 1

#### Walden Class – Room 108

Teacher: Jay Fontanini

The Walden Class, which is currently completing a survey of the Minor Prophets, 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.

#### Gospel of John - Room 102

Teacher: Bryan Toenes

Another study of John? Is there really anything new to be learned from the Fourth Evangelist? If you are asking these questions, have you ever taken in John's Gospel as a whole to see the symphonic tapestry the apostle has woven to convince Diaspora Jews - and all who read it - that Jesus is the promised Messiah? Have you ever considered how Jesus presented Himself to His own people as their Messiah and the true meaning behind the traditions observed in His day? This summer Bryan Toenes will lead a study of the one Gospel primarily written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, by believing you and that mav have life in His name.

#### Walking with God – Chruch Office

Teacher: Steve Strickland

The Christian life is a journey. Jesus tells his disciples and us to follow him. But what does that look like? Where are we going? This class will examine various doctrines of the Christian life (sanctification, holiness, discipleship, etc.) as we seek to understand and live out the Christian life.

# **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 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Jamie Dalton & Connie Trim	#105
Ages 8-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Sara Royer	#107
Middle School / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	#101
High School / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Randy Johnson & Rainey Hoopes	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Jay Fontanini	#108
Adult – Galatians	Joe DeNitto	#102
Adult – Church History: The First 1500 Years	Bryan Toenes	Church Office

# This Week at SPC ~ May 25 – May 31

Morning Worship, 9:00 am Fellowship Time, 10:15 am Sunday School, 10:45 am Youth Group, 5:30 pm Adult Bible Study, 5:30 pm
Memorial Day/Church Office Closed
Memorial Day Fun @ the Pothovens, Open House 10 am – 3 pm
Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
Deacon Meeting, 7:00 pm
Senior's Group, 10:00 am

## SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 134 Last Sunday's Offering: \$12,924.14 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

	May	June
	Scott Hickerson	Johnson Family
<u>Greeters:</u>		
<u>Ordained</u> <u>Officer:</u>	Gregg Quick	Randy Johnson

#### Children's Worship Volunteers

	Teacher	Helper	Banner Bearer
Today:	Kelly Melendi	Ross Edwards	Nikolas Royer
June 1:	Randa Gravanti	Chloe Cawley	Nikolas Royer
June 8:	Therese McKenzie	John McKenzie	Olivia White

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

#### **Coffee Volunteers**

Today:	Karen Collins
June 1:	Randa Gravanti
June 8:	Bill Cutler

#### Nursery Volunteers

Today:	Sara Royer
June 1:	Kelly Fernandez
June 8:	Deana Johnson



#### Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – June 1:</u> Kelly Fernandez Lisa Johnson Cathy Armstrong Raquel Fernandez <u>June 8:</u> Holly Edwards Laura Strickland Donna Waugh Glee Hamilton

# May Birthdays & Anniversaries

# Birthdays

Marissa Fontanini 5/4 Raquel Fernandez 5/10 Debbie Hoopes 5/17 Duncan Hoopes 5/19 Judy Kneeshaw 5/20 Kelly Fernandez 5/22 Olívía White 5/22 Elaíne Crescent 5/25 Kaela Dalton 5/25 Peter Chang 5/26 Domíníck Zak 5/27 Josh Fernandez 5/30

Anniversaries

Todd & Cathy Gartman 5/8 Alex & Kelly Fernandez 5/12 Ben & Jane Lambers 5/30



# **SERMON NOTES**