

**Morning Worship Service**  
**December 28, 2014 - 9:00 AM**  
**First Sunday after Christmas**

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

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Silent Reflection**

**The Belgic Confession**

**Article 17: The Recovery of Fallen Man**

We believe that our good God, by his marvelous wisdom and goodness, seeing that man had plunged himself in this manner into both physical and spiritual death and made himself completely miserable, set out to find him, though man, trembling all over, was fleeing from him.

And he comforted him, promising to give him his Son, "born of a woman," to crush the head of the serpent, and to make him blessed.

**Prelude**

*Dona Nobis - Nowell*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

## Call to Worship

*Psalm 9:1, 2, 7, and 8*

**Leader:** 1 I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders.

**People:** 2 I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

**Leader:** 7 The LORD reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment.

**All:** 8 He will judge the world in righteousness; he will govern the peoples with justice.

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

All Glory, Laud, and Honor  
Hymn # 235

## **\*\* 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**

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. 8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" 10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." 11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" 12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me--she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." 13 Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." 14 So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel." 16 To the woman he said, "I will greatly increase your pains in childbearing; with pain you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you." 17 To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not eat of it,' "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat of it all the days of your life. 18 It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. 19 By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return." 20 Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living. 21 The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. 22 And the LORD God said, "The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever." 23 So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. 24 After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

Genesis 3:7-24

**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)*

Gracious Father, I am not worthy of blessings and mercies. My depraved nature reveals itself in disobedience and rebellion. I am often discontented, prideful, envious, and revengeful. As I have confessed my guilt, help me to feel it deeply, to hate my sin, yet to remember there is hope in You. Help me to see the Lamb that takes away sin. Through Him may I return to You, listen to You, Trust in You, delight in Your law, obey You, and be upheld by You, for Your glory and the good of my fellow-men.

-Adapted from The Valley of Vision p.145

## **Assurance of Pardon**

24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

1 Peter 2:24

## **Hymn of Response**

From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

Hymn # 554

## **The Second Scripture Lesson**

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." 5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life. 7 He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son. 8 But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars--their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death."

Revelation 21:1-8

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**

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* - arr. by Staneslow

## **The Third Scripture Lesson**

20 Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. 21 When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." 22 And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebub ! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons." 23 So Jesus called them and spoke to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. 26 And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. 27 In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can rob his house. 28 I tell you the truth, all the sins and blasphemies of men will be forgiven them. 29 But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin." 30 He said this because they were saying, "He has an evil spirit." 31 Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you." 33 "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked. 34 Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

Mark 3:20-35

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

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
Of the Father's Love Begotten  
Hymn # 162

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

27 Peter answered him, "We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?" 28 Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life.

Matthew 19:27-29

### **The Offertory**

*We Three Kings* arr. Mark Hayes

*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.*

*Children K4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades may be dismissed to Children's  
Church.*

### **The Message**

*Rev. Daniel Dalton  
Associate Pastor*

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

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Hymn # 224

**\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Joy to the World* - Handel/Frank Ritter

*\*\*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](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

### Program Note Reminder

*No Sunday School Today & January 4*

Just a reminder that we will not have Sunday School TODAY, or January 4 due to the Christmas and New Year holidays. However, please do join us for our Fellowship Time immediately after the service.



**End of Year Contributions** - This is a reminder that for any contributions to count for the 2014 tax year, they must be postmarked to the church by December 31, 2014. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



Removing of the Greens

**Saturday, January 10 at 10 am – Unhanging of the Green**

We'll need a bit of help taking down the decorations. Save the date and please join in! If you have any questions please contact Lisa Johnson at: [church@seminolepca.org](mailto:church@seminolepca.org).

### Church Fellowship Directory Update

Our church fellowship directory is long over due for an update. *This directory is for members and regular attendees alike.* Please stop by one of the clipboards in the fellowship hall, review and update your information as necessary. If no changes are needed, then please initial your entry.

Contact **Lisa Johnson** for any questions.



# **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

## **Walden Class – Room 108**

*Teacher: Matthew McKenzie*

The Walden Class, which is currently studying the book of Ephesians, 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.

## **The Letters of John – Room 102**

*Teacher: Bryan Toenes*

Which is most important for the Christian: right belief, right practice, or love? Perhaps this is a loaded question. How can we love and obey one in whom we do not really believe? How can we say we love and believe in one whom we do not obey? And how can we truly believe in and obey one whom we do not love? Do you feel as if you are spinning around on a carousel as you read this? Then why not join us this winter quarter as we sort out these questions together in our study of the three letters of the Apostle John.

## **Outreach - Church Office**

*Teacher: Elder Randy Johnson*

As Christians we are called to reach out in word and deed, both in our culture and cross-culturally. Jesus commands us, not only to love our neighbor as ourselves, but to be His witnesses to those culturally close to us and to those culturally distant (Acts 1:8). The apostle Peter also wrote that we are to always be prepared to give a gentle account for the hope that is in us. So, join us as we study the basic foundations of Outreach: mercy, evangelism and missions. Why evangelize? How and when do I show mercy? How can I be part of missions? These questions and more will be discussed as elder Randy Johnson provides an overview of the subject of Outreach as it relates to our personal Christian walk and the work of the Church.

## 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.**

- Scott & Kathy Craig, MTW/Short-term Team Coordinators (Costa Rica), (#11130); Mission to the World, PO Box 116284, Atlanta, GA 30368-6284
- 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 (Papua New Guinea), (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)
- 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 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Tami Lang & Stephanie Williams	#109
Ages 8-10 / 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	#107
Middle School / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Steve Pothoven	#101
High School / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	Matthew McKenzie	#108
Adult – The Letters of John	Bryan Toenes	#102
Adult – Outreach	Randy Johnson	Church Office
Exploring Church Membership	Brian Waugh	#111

**This Week at SPC ~ December 28 – January 3**

**SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am

**THURSDAY:** New Year's Day/Church Office Closed



**Parents: Save the Date!**

HS Mission Project: Hope for Inner City – Chattanooga June 20-27, 2015

MS Camp Kalaqua July 13-17, 2015

**SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 178

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ TBD

*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><i><b>December</b></i></u>	<u><i><b>January</b></i></u>
<u><i><b>Greeters:</b></i></u>	<i>Bryan Toenes</i>	<i>Fernandez Family</i>
<u><i><b>Ordained Officer:</b></i></u>	<i>Servy Fernandez</i>	<i>Alex Fernandez</i>

## ***Children's Worship Volunteers***

	<u><i><b>Teacher</b></i></u>	<u><i><b>Helper</b></i></u>	<u><i><b>Banner Bearer</b></i></u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Gail Chang</i>	<i>Patrick Chang</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>
<i>Jan 4:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Abby Johnson</i>	<i>Nora Fernandez</i>
<i>Jan 11:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>	<i>Emily Strickland</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>

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

## ***Coffee Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Rob Edwards</i>
<i>Jan 4:</i>	<i>Brian Waugh</i>
<i>Jan 11:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

## ***Nursery Volunteers***

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Tami Pothoven</i>
<i>Jan 4:</i>	<i>Kerri Connolly</i>
<i>Jan 11:</i>	<i>TBA</i>

## ***Fellowship Snacks***

<u><i><b>Next Week – Jan 4:</b></i></u> <i>Andrea Cawley</i> <i>Diane Keen</i> <i>Marsha Craig</i> <i>Pam Bergen</i>	<u><i><b>Jan. 11:</b></i></u> <i>Beverly Thomson</i> <i>Sheila Colbert</i> <i>Judy Wildeboer</i> <i>Jamie Dalton</i>
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*Anniversaries  
and Birthdays*

The Gift of Hope  
Genesis 3:7-24

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1. God calls you to \_\_\_\_\_ your sins, rather than make excuses.

2. You in has consequences, yet there is \_\_\_\_\_!

3. God graciously provides a \_\_\_\_\_ over sin.