

Morning Worship Service
July 19, 2015 - 9:00 AM
Eighth 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 in the narthex.*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Saviour Like a Shepherd - Bradbury
Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

People: **Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

Leader: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

People: **Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name**

All: **For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

****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

1 When Sanballat heard that we were rebuilding the wall, he became angry and was greatly incensed. He ridiculed the Jews, 2 and in the presence of his associates and the army of Samaria, he said, "What are those feeble Jews doing? Will they restore their wall? Will they offer sacrifices? Will they finish in a day? Can they bring the stones back to life from those heaps of rubble--burned as they are?" 3 Tobiah the Ammonite, who was at his side, said, "What they are building-- if even a fox climbed up on it, he would break down their wall of stones!" 4 Hear us, O our God, for we are despised. Turn their insults back on their own heads. Give them over as plunder in a land of captivity. 5 Do not cover up their guilt or blot out their sins from your sight, for they have thrown insults in the face of the builders. 6 So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart. 7 But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the men of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem's walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. 8 They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. 9 But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat. 10 Meanwhile, the people in Judah said, "The strength of the laborers is giving out, and there is so much rubble that we cannot rebuild the wall." 11 Also our enemies said, "Before they know it or see us, we will be right there among them and will kill them and put an end to the work."

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12 Then the Jews who lived near them came and told us ten times over, "Wherever you turn, they will attack us." 13 Therefore I stationed some of the people behind the lowest points of the wall at the exposed places, posting them by families, with their swords, spears and bows. 14 After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes." 15 When our enemies heard that we were aware of their plot and that God had frustrated it, we all returned to the wall, each to his own work. 16 From that day on, half of my men did the work, while the other half were equipped with spears, shields, bows and armor. The officers posted themselves behind all the people of Judah 17 who were building the wall. Those who carried materials did their work with one hand and held a weapon in the other, 18 and each of the builders wore his sword at his side as he worked. But the man who sounded the trumpet stayed with me. 19 Then I said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, "The work is extensive and spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the wall. 20 Wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet, join us there. Our God will fight for us!" 21 So we continued the work with half the men holding spears, from the first light of dawn till the stars came out. 22 At that time I also said to the people, "Have every man and his helper stay inside Jerusalem at night, so they can serve us as guards by night and workmen by day." 23 Neither I nor my brothers nor my men nor the guards with me took off our clothes; each had his weapon, even when he went for water.

Nehemiah 4:1-23

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)

"Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; Through Jesus Christ your Son, Amen."

Book of Common Worship, John Knox Press, 1993

Assurance of Pardon

3 At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another. 4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit,

Titus 3:3-5

Musical Offering

Faith of Our Fathers arr. Melody Bober

The Second Scripture Lesson

6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. 8 Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings. 10 And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. 11 To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 5:6-11

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 Third Scripture Lesson

18 "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. 19 If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. 20 Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also. 21 They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the One who sent me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin. Now, however, they have no excuse for their sin. 23 He who hates me hates my Father as well. 24 If I had not done among them what no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin. But now they have seen these miracles, and yet they have hated both me and my Father. 25 But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.' 26 "When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me. 27 And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

John 15:18-27

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

****Glorifying God in Song**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymn # 528

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

14 Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, 15 and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me."

Psalms 50:14-15

The Offertory

When I can Read My Title Clear - Page

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 – 2nd Grades may be dismissed to Children's Church.

The Message

Rev. John K. Keen

Senior Pastor

****Glorifying God in Song**

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Hymn # 644

*** Benediction**

Postlude

Maestoso - K. Seeger

***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

CHATTANOOGA MISSION TEAM REPORT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

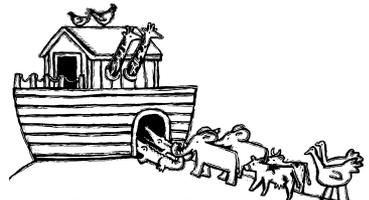


Please join us for a very special evening **TONIGHT at 6:00 pm**, when the Chattanooga Mission team will provide a detailed report of their recent trip.

The report will be in the Sanctuary, followed by an ice cream social in the Fellowship area of the Snyder building.

TEACHERS NEEDED FOR FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TEACH CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL IN THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT JAMIE DALTON AT REALDALTONGANG@GMAIL.COM / (863) 221-7888, OR FILL OUT THE TAN INSERT IN THIS BULLETIN INDICATING YOUR WILLINGNESS TO VOLUNTEER & POSITION YOU ARE INTERESTED IN, AND PUT IT INTO THE OFFERING PLATE. **WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF A TEACHER AND TEACHER ASSISTANT FOR LOWER ELEMENTARY (K4-2ND GRADE).**



Sunday School Recruitment



We will be offering an **Exploring Church Membership Class**. Please mark the tan insert in your bulletin if you would like to attend or learn more. Once we know who is interested, we will set the dates and times. Note: attending this class is required for membership at SPC. However, taking this class does not obligate anyone towards membership. It's a great way to learn more about the gospel, our church and the specific vision we are working to accomplish.

Student Ministry News

July 22nd Service Project: Encouragement Packages (10am-2:30pm) \$Free

Galatians 6:10 *“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”* Let us continue to exercise our faith by doing good to others. We will be meeting at the home of Brian and Donna Waugh, make some baked goodies like cookies, brownies, and muffins. We will also use our creativity to put together cards of encouragement and then deliver them to people in our church as a way of serving through encouragement.

- **Sign-up by TODAY**
- **Meet: (drop off & pick-up) at the Waugh's home** (1020 Wisper Run Ct., Tampa; Phone: 813-956-7551)
- **Required:** Notarized Med/Release Form
- **Bring:** Sack lunch, a card of encouragement (hand-made or store bought)

July 29th Youth Game Night (6:00 PM-9:30 PM) \$Free

It's time relax, eat some food, laugh, and play a little Apples to Apples, Catchphrase, Scum, Pictionary and maybe even a little Settlers of Catan, among many others. Oh, the pool will be open too, so bring a modest bathing suit if you desire to swim! Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share, and come on over to the Pothoven's for a good ole Game Night!



- **Location:** Pothoven's (10274 Oasis Palm Dr.; Phone: 813-886-4611)
- **Required:** Notarized Med/Release Form
- **Bring:** Appetizer or dessert to share.
- **Optional:** modest swimsuit & towel

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Walden Class - Study of Hebrews

Room 108

Teacher: John Keen

The Walden Class, which will continue its study of the book of Hebrews, 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.

Economics for Everybody with R.C. Sproul, Jr.

Church Office

Teacher: Gregg Quick

From government policy to household budgets, economics is everywhere. Yet few people have a proper understanding of economic principles, and how Christians should think about them. Economics for Everybody is a twelve-part video series and curriculum tailor-made for families, churches, and individuals who want to understand this important topic. Thoroughly unconventional, it links entrepreneurship with lemonade, cartoons with markets, and Charlie Chaplin with supply and demand.

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.

***This same information can be found on the Missions tab of our website.**

- 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 (North Carolina), (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)
- Joel De Victoria
Seminary Fund c/o Covenant Presbyterian, 210 Poppel Dr., Lakeland, FL 33813
- 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 nd Grade	Connie Trim & Raquel Fernandez	#109
Ages 8-10 / 3 rd -5 th Grade	Laura Strickland & Randa Gravanti	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Randy Johnson & Jamie Dalton	#101
High School / 9 th -12 th Grade	Danny Dalton & Steve Pothoven	The Tower
Adult – Walden Class	John Keen	#108
Adult – Economics for Everybody	Gregg Quick	Church Office

This Week at SPC ~ July 19 – July 25

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am
Chattanooga Mission Team Report, 6:00 pm
- TUESDAY:** Session Meeting, 7:00 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** MS/HS Service Project, 10:00 am
- FRIDAY:** Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 98

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/ Communion Set-up

	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	<i>Scott Hickerson</i>	<i>Strickland Family</i>
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	<i>Bryan Toenes</i>	<i>Steve Strickland</i>
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	<i>Therese McKenzie</i>	<i>Marsha Craig</i>

Children's Worship Volunteers

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Helper</u>	<u>Banner Bearer</u>
<i>Today:</i>	<i>Connie Trim</i>	<i>Allyne Cawley</i>	<i>Eleanor Fernandez</i>
<i>July 26:</i>	<i>Lisa Johnson</i>	<i>Emily Strickland</i>	<i>Nikolas Royer</i>
<i>Aug. 2:</i>	<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	<i>Chloe Cawley</i>	<i>Eleanor Fernandez</i>

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

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Andy Thomson</i>
<i>July 26:</i>	<i>Larry Dickey</i>
<i>Aug. 2:</i>	<i>Steve Strickland</i>

WE 
VOLUNTEERS

Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Geena Allen/ Liz Hickerson</i>
<i>July 26:</i>	<i>Kelly Fernandez/Andrea Cawley</i>
<i>Aug. 2:</i>	<i>Cathy Armstrong/ Holly Edwards</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – July 26:</u>	<u>Aug. 2:</u>
<i>Andrea Cawley</i>	<i>Beverly Thomson</i>
<i>Diane Keen</i>	<i>Sheila Colbert</i>
<i>Beverly Sturch</i>	<i>Judy Wildeboer</i>
<i>Pam Bergen</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>



*Anniversaries
and Birthdays*