

**Morning Worship Service**  
**March 6, 2016 - 9:00 AM**  
**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

*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**

*Wondrous Love - David Johnson*  
*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalm 34:1-3*

- Leader:** I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.
- People:** **My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**
- All:** **Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.**

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

God of Our Fathers

Hymn # 710

**\*\*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**

For our offenses are many in your sight, and our sins testify against us. Our offenses are ever with us, and we acknowledge our iniquities: 13 rebellion and treachery against the LORD, turning our backs on our God, fomenting oppression and revolt, uttering lies our hearts have conceived. 14 So justice is driven back, and righteousness stands at a distance; truth has stumbled in the streets, honesty cannot enter. 15 Truth is nowhere to be found, and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey. The LORD looked and was displeased that there was no justice. 16 He saw that there was no one, he was appalled that there was no one to intervene; so his own arm worked salvation for him, and his own righteousness sustained him. 17 He put on righteousness as his breastplate, and the helmet of salvation on his head; he put on the garments of vengeance and wrapped himself in zeal as in a cloak. 18 According to what they have done, so will he repay wrath to his enemies and retribution to his foes; he will repay the islands their due. 19 From the west, men will fear the name of the LORD, and from the rising of the sun, they will revere his glory. For he will come like a pent-up flood that the breath of the LORD drives along. 20 "The Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who repent of their sins," declares the LORD.

Isaiah 59:12-20

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)*

“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”

-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 Musical Offering**

### **The Second Scripture Lesson**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

**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.*

## Anthem

### *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Arranged by John Leavitt

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul.

What wondrous love is this, O my soul.

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, O my soul.

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,

Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great ... "I AM,"

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,

While millions join the theme, I will sing. Amen, Amen!

## The Third Scripture Lesson

At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you." 32 He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' 33 In any case, I must keep going today and tomorrow and the next day-- for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem! 34 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! 35 Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Luke 13:31-45

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
The God of Abraham Praise  
Hymn # 34

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

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."

Psalm 50:14-15

**Offertory**

*Beneath the Cross of Jesus* 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.*

**The Message**

*Rev. John K. Keen*

*Senior Pastor*

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

Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted

Hymn # 257

(v. 1-2)

**The Words of Institution  
&  
The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

*Wine is served in the outer ring;  
Grape juice in the inner rings.  
Communion bread is gluten-free.*

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted  
Hymn # 257  
(v. 3-4)

**\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Toccata in e minor - Johann Pachelbel*

*\*\*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

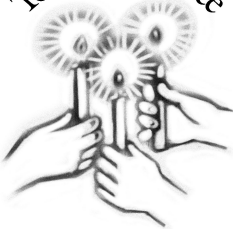
If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call this church phone extension; a deacon generally checks the line daily.

## SPC Family Matters

### NOTE to Parents...

**For the safety of all present and to be good tenants for St. Paul, please be mindful and keep your children from running on the St. Paul Lutheran campus on Sunday mornings. Please also have your children not play games in the Memorial Gardens.**

### Tenebrae Service



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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. This “Service of Darkness” will be held **Wednesday, March 23 at 7:30pm** in the Sanctuary.

### Spring Picnic!



Save the date for our annual spring picnic! This year, it will be held on church grounds **Sunday evening, April 3 from 5:00 – 7:30 pm**. *More details will be coming; stay tuned!*

# **New Youth Sunday School Classes Beginning TODAY**

## **High School:**

**The Gospel of John - part 2, Chapters 11-21 (So What? GCP curriculum)**

*Teacher: Steve Strickland (12 classes)*

In this study, we will be guiding students to relate faith to life and life to faith as we listen to the greatest Teacher of all—Jesus, God himself in the flesh. In this eyewitness account written by “the disciple whom Jesus loved,” we find Jesus using everyday items and events to teach deep spiritual truths, and everyone—including teens!—must either believe or reject him. There is no middle ground. We will see just how bold Jesus’ claims were as he demonstrated his divine authority.

## **Middle School:**

**Shorter Catechism- Doctrine of Our Great Salvation**

*Teacher: Danny Dalton (12 classes)*

This class is the third installment of our journey through the Westminster Shorter Catechism. We will be studying questions 29-39, which wraps up the first half of the catechism, answering the question, “What is man to believe concerning God?” Students will be challenged to memorize six of these questions (# 30-33, 35, & 37). This class, in particular, looks at our great salvation, from calling us to himself, declaring us righteous, adopting us as his own, making us righteous, and all the benefits Jesus gives his people. Our hope is that this class will help lead our students to worship and be in awe of Jesus!



# **Adult Sunday School Classes**

## **Beginning TODAY**

### **Gospel of Matthew - Room 102**

*Teacher: Brian Toenes*

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.” Jesus gave this charge to His disciples on a mountain in Galilee, the unlikely home of Israel’s Messiah. Beginning with a humble birth in Bethlehem and continuing through an obscure upbringing in the insignificant town of Nazareth, this Prophet from Galilee revealed Himself to be the Son of Man, spoken of by the prophet Daniel, to Whom was given a kingdom that all nations might serve Him. Join us this quarter as we learn of this Messiah from Galilee as told in the Gospel According to Matthew.

### **Knowing God - Church Office**

*Teacher: Joe DeNitto*

Knowing God is a book by the British-born Christian theologian J.I. Packer, and is his best-known work, having sold over 1,000,000 copies in North America alone. Originally written as a series of articles for the Evangelical Magazine, it was first published as a book in 1973, and has been reprinted several times. In the book, Packer explores the character of God as revealed in the Bible, and correct Christian responses to it, with chapters on God’s love, grace, majesty, and wrath.

What does it mean to know God, not just about God?

Whether this is your first time reading this book, or a reread, please join us as we explore what it means to truly Know God.

### **The “I Am” Sayings of Jesus - Room 108**

*Teacher: Randy Johnson*

Stating “I Am” may only be an implication, yet all knew that Jesus was clearly claiming deity. In this class, we will study the “I Am” statements of Jesus and His position as Savior and Lord. Join us as we study Jesus’ claim to be God and how His noted personal attributes apply to our lives.

### **Exploring Mark - Room 101**

*Teacher: Ben Lambers*

Ben Lambers and fellow members will have fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. For the Bible study portion, Ben will guide the discussion. Members are encouraged to comment and raise their own questions. The goals are to enjoy the Bible, apply its truth to our lives, and improve our relationship with Christ and each other.

## 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.**

- Rodney & Jana Davila, Costa Rica MTW Team Leaders, (#11704); Mission to the World, PO Box 2589, Suwanee, GA 30024-0982
- 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 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Tami Lang & Jane Lambers	#105
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	Danny Dalton	#109
High School / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Steve Strickland	The Tower
Adult – Gospel of Matthew	Bryan Toenes	#102
Adult – Knowing God	Joe DeNitto	Church Office
Adult – The “I Am” Sayings of Jesus	Randy Johnson	#108
Adult – Exploring Mark	Ben Lambers	#101

## This Week at SPC ~ March 6 – March 12

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am  
MS/HS Youth Meeting, 5:30 pm  
Kid Builders, 5:30 pm  
Adult Bible Study, 5:30 pm
- TUESDAY:** Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am  
Session Meeting, 7:00 pm
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY:** Women's Bible Study, 7:00 pm
- FRIDAY:** Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



**July 11-15**

Middle School Camp at Kulaqua

**July 25-29**

Local High School Mission Project  
partnering with Habitat for Humanity

### **SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 130

Last Sunday's Offering: \$10,765

*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>March</u>	<u>April</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Darby White Servy Fernandez	Andy Thomson Brian Armstrong
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	Brian Waugh	Bill Cutler
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	Judy Wildeboer	Randy Johnson

## *Coffee Volunteers*

Today:	Karen Collins
Mar. 13:	Bill Cutler
Mar. 20:	Andrea Cawley

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

## *Nursery Volunteers*

Today:	Raquel Fernandez
Mar. 13:	Tami Lang
Mar. 20:	Randa Gravanti

## *Fellowship Snacks*

<u>Next Week – Mar. 13:</u> Pat Bardin Ananta Rivera Ruth Adsit Raquel Fernandez	<u>Mar. 20:</u> Andrea Cawley Diane Keen Lisa Johnson Pam Bergen
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March Birthdays & Anniversaries



*Anniversaries  
and Birthdays*