

Morning Worship Service
May 22, 2016 - 9:00 AM
Trinity Sunday

*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

Reverie - Grandjany

Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 93

Leader: The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and is armed with strength. The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved.

People: **Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity.**

Leader: The seas have lifted up, O LORD, the seas have lifted up their voice; the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

People: **Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea-- the LORD on high is mighty.**

All: **Your statutes stand firm; holiness adorns your house for endless days, O LORD.**

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Hymn # 101

****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

2:17 You have wearied the LORD with your words. "How have we wearied him?" you ask. By saying, "All who do evil are good in the eyes of the LORD, and he is pleased with them" or "Where is the God of justice?" 3:1 "See, I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the LORD Almighty. 2 But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. 3 He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the LORD will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, 4 and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the LORD, as in days gone by, as in former years. 5 "So I will come near to you for judgment. I will be quick to testify against sorcerers, adulterers and perjurers, against those who defraud laborers of their wages, who oppress the widows and the fatherless, and deprive aliens of justice, but do not fear me," says the LORD Almighty. 6 "I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

Malachi 2:17-3:6

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 God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who reigns eternally with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forevermore, Amen.”

Assurance of Pardon

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"-- and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

The Musical Offering

Hymne – Vangelis

The Second Scripture Lesson

Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking. 2 I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles. 3 First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. 4 They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." 5 But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. 6 By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. 7 By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. 8 But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. 9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

(Continued...)

10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. 11 Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives 12 as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. 13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. 14 So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him. 15 Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation, just as our dear brother Paul also wrote you with the wisdom that God gave him.

2 Peter 3:1-15

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

I Choose You

By Deborah Govenor

When I am weak and heavy-laden,
Christ comes to me and I can hear Him say,
“Lean on Me, I am your refuge;
Trust in Me and do not be afraid.

I choose you to be My beloved. I choose you to be My joy.
I choose you to live with Me forever; I choose you, I choose you.”

When days are dark and nights seem endless;
When I am lost and cannot find my way,
Christ is my light, my hope, my comfort,
I call on Him and then I hear Him say, “I choose you...”

The Third Scripture Lesson

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. 2 He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. 3 And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' 4 "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, 5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!'" 6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? 8 I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Luke 18:1-8

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

**** Glorifying God in Song**

Like a River Glorious

Hymn # 699

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

One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. 25 A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

Proverbs 11:24-25

Offertory

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Marilyn Ham

*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**

Lead On, O King Eternal

Hymn # 580

**** Benediction**

Postlude

Rigaudon - Campra

***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

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 on **Monday, May 30th from 11am-4pm**. 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.



Ministry Opportunity

The ladies' Tuesday morning Bible study would like to extend an invitation to join them in serving our community. The ladies meet to volunteer at Metropolitan Ministries the last Tuesday of every month at **9:00 am**. The next opportunity to serve will be **Tuesday, May 31st**. If you are interested in joining these ladies, please contact Kelly Fernandez at (813) 420-8662 or Diane Keen at (813) 758-7177.



**METROPOLITAN
MINISTRIES**

Children's Ministry Summer Program

Every Wednesday

June 15 – July 27

Mark your calendars! Our children will enjoy playing together and learning about God's wonderful world this summer. Fun activities will be planned each week. Stay tuned for more information and be sure to invite a friend!

Questions? Ask Tami Lang or Sara Royer



Student Ministry News

NOTE: Our summer calendar is out and is available in Luther Tower and the church office. Youth summer excursions begin on June 15 with Midnight Madness!



Middle School Camp Kalaqua dates are July 11-15.

Please pick up registration forms from the Church Office or Luther Tower.

Early Registration: Cost is \$360 if you register and pay a \$50 deposit by MAY 29th

Regular Registration: After May 29th, the price is \$390

High School and College Students Summer Bible Study

Beginning **Sunday, June 12**, we will be exploring what Jesus, himself, teaches us in Matthew Ch. 5-7 in his Sermon on the Mount. In this study, we will be looking at various topics within this well-known sermon of Jesus. It will be held at the Johnson home (6307 Nikki Lane, Tampa, FL, 33625). Join us on **Sunday evenings from 6 pm - 8 pm** for snacks, games, and thoughtful discussion of Scripture. If you have any questions, please contact Hannah Johnson at (813) 480-7856.

Local High School Mission Project

Calling all High School students! Applications are now available for our HS Mission Project, which is **July 24-30, 2016**.

The purpose of our LOCAL mission trip this summer is twofold, (1) to declare and demonstrate the love of Christ in Tampa as we partner with Habitat for Humanity in the building of homes, as well as (2) support the ministry of Sojourner mission church PCA by leading a Back-Yard Bible Club for the apartment complex, The Park at Monument Terrace. Since this is a local mission experience, in order to provide more of a mission trip feel, we will be calling the church office our home base for the week. We will be together 24/7 (well technically 24/6), as we are stretched out of our comfort zones, give of ourselves by serving others, and are blessed by the joy of encountering God and witnessing him work through us. Come join us!

Early registration deadline is June 5. After June 5, price increases \$50.

Registration closes on June 19.

Applications available in Luther Tower and church office.

Adult Sunday School Classes

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 class attendees will have fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. For the Bible study portion, we will proceed at a more introductory pace. In other words, if some of the other class options seem a little too “heady” or advanced, then this is the class for you. Class attendees are encouraged to comment and raise their own questions, as Ben guides the discussion. 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 nd Grade	Tami Lang & Diane Keen	#105
Ages 8-10 /3 rd – 5 th Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Danny Dalton	#109
High School / 9th -12 th 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 ~ May 22 – May 28

- SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am
Sunday School, 10:45 am
- TUESDAY:** Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am
- WEDNESDAY:** Choir Practice, 7:30 pm
- THURSDAY:** Women's Bible Study, 7:00 pm
- FRIDAY:** Adult Covenant Group, 10:00 am



SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 88 Beach Retreat: 32

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 11,944.52

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>May</u>	<u>June</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>		<i>Bill Cutler</i>
	<i>Randy Johnson Family</i>	<i>Tom Cawley</i>
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	<i>Randy Johnson</i>	<i>Greg Quick</i>
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>	<i>Ken Jackson</i>

Coffee Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Bill Cutler</i>
<i>May 29:</i>	<i>Jackie Toenes</i>
<i>June 5:</i>	<i>Randa Gravanti</i>



Nursery Volunteers

<i>Today:</i>	<i>Jamie Dalton</i>
<i>May 29:</i>	<i>Ananta Rivera</i>
<i>June 5:</i>	<i>Hannah Johnson</i>

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Next Week – May 29:</u>	<u>June 5:</u>
<i>Kelly Fernandez</i>	<i>Holly Edwards</i>
<i>Kerri Connolly</i>	<i>Laura Strickland</i>
<i>Cathy Armstrong</i>	<i>Donna Waugh</i>
<i>Jackie Toenes</i>	<i>Deana Johnson</i>



Anniversaries and Birthdays

Sermon Notes