

**Morning Worship Service**  
**August 14, 2016 - 9:00 AM**  
**Thirteenth 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**

*Amazing Grace*

*Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.*

**Call to Worship**

*Psalms 145:1-7*

**Leader:** Praise the LORD. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

**People:** **The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.**

**Leader:** He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

**People:** **He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.**

**Leader:** Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.

**People:** **The LORD sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.**

**All:** **Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music to our God on the harp.**

**\*\* Glorifying God in Song**  
Our God, Our Help in Ages Past  
Hymn # 30

## **\*\*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**

23 This is what the LORD says: "Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, 24 but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the LORD. 25 "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will punish all who are circumcised only in the flesh-- 26 Egypt, Judah, Edom, Ammon, Moab and all who live in the desert in distant places. For all these nations are really uncircumcised, and even the whole house of Israel is uncircumcised in heart."

Jeremiah 9:23-26

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)*

“Almighty Father; we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused, that make it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves. Lord, have mercy and forgive us through Jesus Christ, who reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, One God forevermore, Amen.”

Paul E. Engle, Baker’s Worship Handbook,  
Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1998

## **Assurance of Pardon**

8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

## **The Musical Offering**

*I Call To Thee Lord Jesus Christ - J.S. Bach*

## **The Second Scripture Lesson**

14 For you, brothers, became imitators of God's churches in Judea, which are in Christ Jesus: You suffered from your own countrymen the same things those churches suffered from the Jews, 15 who killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets and also drove us out. They displease God and are hostile to all men 16 in their effort to keep us from speaking to the Gentiles so that they may be saved. In this way they always heap up their sins to the limit. The wrath of God has come upon them at last. 17 But, brothers, when we were torn away from you for a short time (in person, not in thought), out of our intense longing we made every effort to see you. 18 For we wanted to come to you-- certainly I, Paul, did, again and again-- but Satan stopped us. 19 For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? 20 Indeed, you are our glory and joy.

1 Thessalonians 2:14-20

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## **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**

13 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the kingdom of heaven in men's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to. 14 15 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You travel over land and sea to win a single convert, and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as you are...

29 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You build tombs for the prophets and decorate the graves of the righteous. 30 And you say, 'If we had lived in the days of our forefathers, we would not have taken part with them in shedding the blood of the prophets.' 31 So you testify against yourselves that you are the descendants of those who murdered the prophets. 32 Fill up, then, the measure of the sin of your forefathers! 33 "You snakes! You brood of vipers! How will you escape being condemned to hell? 34 Therefore I am sending you prophets and wise men and teachers. Some of them you will kill and crucify; others you will flog in your synagogues and pursue from town to town. 35 And so upon you will come all the righteous blood that has been shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah son of Berekiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. 36 I tell you the truth, all this will come upon this generation. 37 "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. 38 Look, your house is left to you desolate. 39 For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Matthew 23:13-15; 29-39

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** **Thanks be to God**

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

**We Gather Together**

**Hymn # 363**

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

Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:1-2

### **Offertory**

*He Leadeth Me* arr. Lloyd Larson

*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**

*All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

Hymn # 605

### **\*\* Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*Fanfare - Nicolas Jacques Lemmens*

*\*\*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).

\*\*A cry room is available in the back of the sanctuary with live feed of the worship service.

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

### Property Search Update

The Session is pleased to announce that our Property Search Committee ("PSC") has identified a suitable, existing church facility and grounds for our new home! The PSC was established by the Session to explore all options within geographical boundaries determined during our officer's retreat last January. Subsequent to a period of careful research and investigation of available properties, the PSC recommended to the Session that we engage in negotiations to purchase the **Christ Community Church** facility and grounds located at **6202 N. Himes Avenue, Tampa, FL 33614**. The Session voted to make an offer and subsequent to a negotiation period, our offer was accepted on August 7. We now have a sixty-day period to accomplish a number of tasks including the following:

- Secure a commercial appraisal of the property
- The usual, customary inspections and environmental studies of the facilities and land
- A presentation to the congregation to explain the search process and conclusion, and to introduce our members to the facilities and grounds of our prospective new home
- A tour of the facilities and grounds for all church members and friends
- A congregational meeting and vote to sustain the Session's intention to purchase the property and to empower church trustees to handle the closing

More details and dates will be forthcoming, but our next step will be for the Session, Diaconate and PSC to host an **Informational Meeting** for the congregation, so that questions may be entertained and answered, and for all to become better acquainted with our future plans. We have set aside **Sunday, August 28 at 6:00 pm in the St. Paul Sanctuary** as the date, time and location for the aforementioned meeting. Please mark your calendars and make plans to be present for this very special and important meeting!

## Pastoral Care This Week

Pastor Keen and Pastor Dalton will be out of town this coming week, so please contact one of the following Ruling Elders for any pastoral or spiritual care needs:

RE Joe DeNitto	727-808-5858
RE Ben Lambers	813-915-9002
RE Randy Johnson	727-492-3074
RE Steve Pothoven	813-220-8837

## **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](mailto: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 IN NEED OF A**

**TEACHER AND TEACHER ASSISTANT FOR LOWER ELEMENTARY (K4-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADES) AND A TEACHER ASSISTANT FOR UPPER ELEMENTARY (3<sup>RD</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADES)**



*Sunday School Recruitment*

## **Exploring Church Membership Class**

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. This class will begin in the fall. 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.

**Middle School / High School**  
**Large Group Meeting**  
***Kickoff***

*Calling all Middle School and High School students!*

This entry-level program is designed to show students “who” the only one worthy of worship is: Jesus Christ. This is a meeting with a positive environment, an element of fun, strong student involvement, and an understandable, gospel-centered message that challenges students to take the next step in their faith.

Come join us Sunday nights in Luther Tower! Beginning **Sunday, August 21**, we will gather for a time of worship, fellowship, and fun!

Sunday's 5:30 - 7:00 PM

*See you there!*

**Note: The Adult Bible Study and Children's Ministry will resume on Sunday nights TBA.**

**Women's Bible Study**

The Thursday evening Women's Bible Study will be starting up again on Thursday, August 18th, at 7 pm at the home of Donna Waugh (1020 Wisper Run Court, Lutz, FL 33558) We will meet the first and third Thursday of each month through December 15th. We are using Kathleen Buswell Nelson's study entitled *Psalms, Volume 1: Songs Along the Way*. Although we have completed the first three lessons of our book, there are still nine lessons remaining. Each lesson looks at a different Psalm and topic, so it is very easy to jump in if you have not attended before. For more information, or to order a book, contact Donna Waugh (813-909-0220).

**Note: The morning Women's Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in Room #108 of the Snyder Building.**

## **Adult Sunday School Classes**

### **Exploring Mark - Room 108**

*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.

### **Who is the Holy Spirit? – Church Office**

*Teacher: Servy Fernandez*

Although the Holy Spirit is sometimes the forgotten Person of the Trinity, His presence and work is found throughout redemptive history. In this twelve-message series, Dr. Sinclair Ferguson traces the work of the third person of the Trinity through Scripture—from creation to the work of Christ to His dwelling in our hearts today. Along the way, he sheds light on the vital role the Holy Spirit serves. Dr. Ferguson’s goal is to help us know the Holy Spirit as a person, in addition to knowing of His power and work within

## 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
- Andrew Newman, 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 – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Jamie Dalton & Randy Johnson	#107
Middle School / 6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Lisa Johnson & Laura Strickland	#109
High School / 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Danny Dalton	The Tower
Adult – Exploring Mark	Ben Lambers	#108
Adult – Who is the Holy Spirit?	Servy Fernandez	Church Office

**This Week at SPC ~ August 14 – August 20**

**SUNDAY:** Morning Worship, 9:00 am  
Fellowship Time, 10:15 am  
Sunday School, 10:45 am

**FRIDAY:** Senior Covenant Group, 10:00 am



**SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP**

Last Sunday's Attendance: 118

Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 13,050.00

July 31, 2016 Offering: \$ 6,068.52

*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>August</u>	<u>September</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Strickland Family	Darby White Brian Armstrong
<u>Ordained Officer:</u>	Steve Strickland	Brian Waugh
<u>Communion Set-up:</u>	Marsha Craig	Judy Wildeboer

## *Coffee Volunteers*

Today:	Jackie Toenes
Aug. 21:	Randa Gravanti
Aug. 28:	Bill Cutler

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

## *Nursery Volunteers*

Today:	Geena Lang
Aug. 21:	Ananta Rivera
Aug. 28:	Diane Keen

## *Fellowship Snacks*

Next Week – Aug. 21:

Molly Colhouer  
Tami Pothoven  
Karen Collins  
Kelly Melendi

Aug. 28:

Kelly Fernandez  
Lisa Johnson  
Cathy Armstrong  
Raquel Fernandez



*Anniversaries  
and Birthdays*