Morning Worship Service September 18, 2016 - 9:00 AM Eighteenth 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 <u>in the narthex</u>.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need - Resurrection/Kevin Kei Let us quiet our hearts before the Lord.

Call to Worship

Psalm 99:1-3

- Leader: The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.
- People: Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations.
- All: Let them praise your great and awesome name-- he is holy.

** Glorifying God in Song

Holy God, We Praise Your Name Hymn # 103

****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

11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.'"

Ezekiel 37:11-14

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

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

The Second Scripture Lesson

13 Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. 14 We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. 15 According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. 18 Therefore encourage each other with these words.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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

17 On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. 18 Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, 19 and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. 20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. 21 "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; 26 and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" 27 "Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

John 11:17-27

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

**** Glorifying God in Song** I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice Hymn # 533

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

24 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 *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Jan Sanborn

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

** Glorifying God in Song

I Know Whom I Have Believed Hymn # 705

****** Benediction

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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.

**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

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called for a congregational meeting immediately after morning worship service TODAY. The purpose of this meeting is: 1. To vote regarding the session's recommendation to purchase the Himes Avenue property; and, 2. To introduce our new church name to the congregation. No other business will be discussed. Please plan to be present for this very important meeting in the life of our church!

Exploring Church Membership

The Exploring Church Membership class, for those who express an interest in learning more about church membership, will begin meeting **TODAY** in **Room 100**. This class will be taught by Elder Randy Johnson.

Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study Updates

- Bible study is cancelled for **Tuesday**, September 20th
- The ladies will serve at Metropolitan Ministries on Tuesday, September 27th. The ladies will meet at Metropolitan Ministries at 9:30 am. If you have any questions, please call Donna Waugh at 813-909-0220.
- Bible study will resume on Tuesday, October 4th with a new time and location. The ladies will be meeting at 10:00 am at the home of Alice Tietjen (4720 Southbreeze Dr., Tampa, 33624). Be prepared for Lesson 1 of the Psalm study.

Adult Sunday School Classes

Introduction to Sacred Scripture - Church Office

Teacher: Danny Dalton

There are millions of books in the world, but only one can rightfully claim to be the inspired Word of God. What makes Sacred Scripture so unique? Is it trustworthy and understandable? From Genesis to Revelation what is the overarching storyline of Sacred Scripture? How should we read the different genres of literature found in it? In this introductory course we will learn all about Sacred Scripture, it's purpose, reliability, structure, understandability (is that a real word?) and interpretation. This course will help you to pick up your Bible and read it with more clarity and understanding as you seek to mature in your walk with Jesus Christ.

The Book of Joshua - Room 102

Teacher: Brian Waugh

The book of Joshua takes the Israelites from the end of their journey through the wilderness into the Promised Land of Canaan and follows the progression of God fulfilling His promise to Abraham using the Israelite nation. This account focuses primarily on God's faithfulness to his word, how He instructs and supports his people in the process of change and maturity, what He expects from his people, and what God's people can expect from Him. It is a wild and sobering ride with twists and turns that may, at times, resemble your own life, or the life of our church. Join us for a look at timeless events and lessons relevant to all generations.

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.

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 -2 nd Grade	Connie Trim & Diane Keen	#105
Ages 8-10 $/3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ Grade	Kelly Fernandez & Gail Chang	#107
Middle School / 6 th -8 th Grade	Steve Pothoven	#109
High School / 9th -12 th Grade	Steve Strickland	The Tower
Adult – Joshua	Brian Waugh	#102
Adult – Introduction to Sacred Scripture	Danny Dalton	Church Office
Adult – Exploring Mark	Ben Lambers	#108
Exploring Church Membership	Randy Johnson	#100

This Week at SPC ~ September 18 – September 24

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
FRIDAY:	Senior Covenant Group, 10:00 am

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SEMINOLE AT WORK AND WORSHIP

Last Sunday's Attendance: 119 Last Sunday's Offering: \$ 4,880.42 Offerings for September 4, 2016: \$ 12,445.00 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>September</u>	<u>October</u>
<u>Greeters:</u>	Darby White Brian Armstrong	Andy Thomson Frank Frail
<u>Ordained</u> <u>Officer:</u>	Brian Waugh	Steve White
<u>Communion</u> <u>Set-up:</u>	Judy Wildeboer	Randy Johnson

Coffee Volunteers

Today:	Bill Cutler
Sept. 25:	Andrea Cawley
Oct. 2:	Jackie Toenes



Nursery Volunteers

Today:	Lisa Johnson	
Sept. 25:	Tami Lang	
Oct. 2:	Jane Lambers	

Fellowship Snacks

<u>Oct. 2:</u>
Gail Chang
Eva White
Jackie Toenes
Carol Moberg

September Bírthdays & Anniversaries

