10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDEAllegroarr. Hal H. Hopson

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Faithful Is God arr. Joseph M. Martin

Chancel Choir

*HYMN #8 Come, Thou Almighty King

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving Spirit, who moves freely and gracefully through this world, transforming and mending the broken pieces, we confess that we stumble through life, trying to survive on our own power. We feel paralyzed—numbed by fear, by old habits, by the effort we expend in trying to impress others. We try to earn Your grace through our own awkward endeavors, forgetting that all that we are comes from You. In Your mercy forgive us. Fill us with Your liberating Spirit, that our souls might run, leap, and praise You, so that the entire world would know Your grace and truth. (Silent Confession)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI #813

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM Great Is the Lord Jay Althouse Chancel Choir

EPIPHANY STARS – HYMN #288

We Three Kings

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSELord We Seek You NowR. P. CurtisOFFERTORYMinuet in GBeethoven

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dear Lord, here and now we bring our gifts to You and to the church. We ask You to receive our gifts for ministry and service. But more, Lord, receive our love, and with our love and Your divine love, may we keep on building Your kingdom here as it is in heaven. In our Master's name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE John 14:26

MESSAGE Holy Who? Teacher Pastor Steve Mock
HYMN #407 God Has Spoken by His Prophets

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE Sevenfold Amen Stainer

*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth – please feel free to ask for one.

*Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30am service

**CCLI #1140231 CVLI #502319310

9:00am New Beginnings Service

GATHERING SONG

Love the Lord

*PRAISING GOD IN SONG

Sweet Presence of Jesus The Heart of Worship O, I Want to Know You More

PRAYER

OFFERING To Worship You

SPECIAL MUSIC

I'll Lead You Home

New Beginnings Praise Team

SCRIPTURE John 14:26

MESSAGE Holy Who? - Teacher Pastor Steve Mock

*CLOSING SONG

Change My Heart, Oh God

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer Focus

- Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- Pray for those who serve in the military and their families during the war against terrorism.
- Pray for our church and new denomination as we seek ways to reach the lost and needy in our community and world.
- Pray for Charlotte County, for revival and renewal as part of Prayers Over Charlotte initiated by the Sunday Night Prayer meeting.
- Pray for Rob and Jennifer Taylor, missionaries to Zambia, that we support.

Those with Special Needs

Jerry Julius Rev. Larry Yerger
Helmut Ehrhardt Helen Anderson
Kay Callahan Carol Foster
Ella Sifferd Nancy Beasom
Dianne Sizemore Cara Coletti
Vern Wilson

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Barbara Shinn, *The Palms of Punta Gorda*Lorraine Sisson, *Saginaw*, *MI*Doris Henning, *Sandhill Gardens*Dorothy Blue, *Harbor Terrace*Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*John Milligan, *Sandhill Gardens*

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests.

Requests will be listed for 4 weeks and then removed unless updated.

CELL PHONES – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.

FLOWERS – The flowers this morning are given by Gail Thornton in loving memory of her brother, Max Herwig.

THE JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER is now available in the church foyer and on our website.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

EPIPHANY STARS – As the old year turns to a new one at First, this Sunday we will be offering stars during the service with a word to guide us throughout the year as we remember the star that guided the Magi to Jesus.

TODAY IS RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY – Thank you for helping feed the migrant workers in Immokalee.

PRAYER MEETING – A prayer meeting is held **Sunday evenings at 6pm** in the Conference Room. Come and be a part of what God's Spirit is doing in our church and community.

PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING – If you like to knit or crochet, please gather with us in Fellowship Hall **THIS Monday, January 11th, at 10am.**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Please submit your articles for the February newsletter by **THIS Monday**, **January 11th**.

GAMES ACTIVITY – Join us **THIS Tuesday, January 12th** for a Game Morning activity from 10am to Noon in Fellowship Hall. Curious? Come one and all, men and women – to either play a variety of games, or just to observe.

BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG – Pastor Larry is leading a study on the "minor" books in the Bible **Wednesday mornings at 10am**. The study is open to everyone.

R.O.M.E.O.S. (<u>Retired Old Men Eating Out Someplace</u>) & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. (<u>Joyful Understanding Ladies Inconspicuously Eating Together Someplace</u>) - will meet at Sky View Café at the Punta Gorda Airport at 8:00am THIS Thursday, January 14th. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

THE SECOND CUP (of coffee) – You're invited to be part of a Bible study discussion group **THIS Thursday**, **January 14th**, at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall. Dave Sifferd leads this study of the Book of Acts, using the NIV Bible as the textbook. Bring a friend and join us on Thursday morning for a Second Cup.

DEACON'S FUND – **NEXT Sunday, January 17th,** is our monthly collection to help support congregation and emergency needs, Misión Peniel, and others.

2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE – The 2016 offering envelope boxes are now available for you to pick up on the table in the foyer. If you don't see your name; or if you haven't used envelopes in the past, but would like to, let the office know and we'll assign a box of envelopes for you to use.

CPR CLASS – Beginning this month, we will hold Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation classes. If you would like to learn more about CPR, please sign up in the church foyer. Debbie Carney, our former Parish Nurse, will coordinate scheduling the class dates and times.

POT LUCK SUPPER & MOVIE NIGHT – On Wednesday, January 20th, you are invited to a Pot Luck Supper and Movie at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up in the church foyer and share the following (last names beginning with):

(A-H) Meat (I-Q) Salad/Vegetable (R-Z) Dessert

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL — Our next mission trip to Immokalee will be **Friday, January 22nd**. We will carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer. Donations of **gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts** can be put in the wicker basket in the church foyer.

CHRISTIAN LIFE AND SERVICE SEMINARS (C.L.A.S.S.) – Wednesdays at 10am, February 3rd through March 9th – Please choose from the following class offerings:

What is your S.H.A.P.E.? (C.L.A.S.S. 301)

led by Elder Sharon Cuzner

How to Become a Contagious Christian by Bill Hybels (C.L.A.S.S. 206)

led by Pastor Steve Mock

A Study of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam (C.L.A.S.S. 212)

led by Pastor Larry Yerger

NEW MEMBERS CLASS - On Sunday, February 21st at 3pm, Pastor Steve Mock will be holding C.L.A.S.S. 101, Becoming a Covenant Partner. Anyone interested in becoming a member/covenant partner of First Presbyterian Church is invited to attend this seminar. Please sign up in the church foyer.

LOAVES AND FISHES MINISTRY - Are you interested in making a meal when there is a short-term need in the congregation due to an illness or loss? Are you willing to deliver a meal that someone else has fixed? If so, please call the church office to volunteer.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY – AMI KIDS Crossroads is in need of operating funds. To donate, please make checks payable to the church and on the memo line write "Crossroads."

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially supporting the Taylor family in their 2-year commitment in Zambia, Africa. Please pray for them. If you would like to donate to this mission, please make checks payable to the church and on the memo line write "Taylor Family."

PLEASE BRING IN FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY - Let us see the blue food bin overflowing each week. Some suggestions: peanut butter, jelly, cereal and soup.

FURRY FRIENDS – Our furry friends need your help! In the church foyer there is a green tub where you can put dog and cat food, animal toys and gently used blankets and towels. For questions, ask Randy or Diane Curtis.

PRAYER EMAIL LIST – If you would like to be on Pastor Steve's prayer email list, please email Pastor Steve at steve@fpcpunta.org.

OUR DAILY BREAD - This booklet of daily devotionals is on the back table in the Sanctuary.

MUSIC MINISTRY – Special Music is available in an mp3 format by emailing Randy at rpc1220@me.com. We also have a private Facebook page where music and occasional videos are uploaded for your enjoyment. To gain access to this page, please email Randy. Live streaming of services is available on our website homepage (www.fpcpunta.org) by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE.

THE FELLOWSHIP TEAM requests your comments & suggestions for our activities. An "idea box" is on the sign-up table in the church foyer.

FLOWERS - May be sponsored for the cost of \$37. To make a donation, sign up in the church foyer. You may list the flowers in honor and/or in memory of something or someone.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK	
January 10th thru January 17th	
Sunday, January 10	EPIPHANY SUNDAY
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday, January 11	
10:00am	Fellowship Team
10:00am	Prayer Shawl Gathering
Tuesday, January 12	
10:00am	Games Activity
3:00pm	Mission Team
Wednesday, January 13	
10:00am	Bible Study
Thursday, January 14	•
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.
9:30am	Second Cup
5:30pm	Praise Team
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, January 17	
9:00am	New Beginnings Worship
10:30am	Traditional Worship

Prayer Meeting

6:00pm

SERMON NOTES

John 14:26 (NIV)

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Loving...Growing...Going...in Jesus!



OUR VISION AND PURPOSE

LOVING...

... God and others through worship and fellowship

GROWING...

... in our understanding Jesus' and God's purposes for us through Bible study, and developing our ministries to serve God and others

GOING...

... into God's world with His message of love and salvation through Jesus Christ, and with His ministries of compassion and mercy

ALL IN JESUS' NAME!

ECO's VISION

... to build flourishing churches that make disciples of Jesus Christ

January 10, 2016

9:00am & 10:30am

WELCOME

This morning as we join in worship, our hope is that each of us will find renewed life, health and strength in God. We are glad to welcome each visitor and friend, and that you have chosen to hear God's call with this congregation. If you are living in this area, either permanently or for the season, we invite you to join hands in ministry with us by becoming a covenant partner of our congregation.

PASTOR ASSISTANT PASTOR **MUSIC DIRECTOR OFFICE MANAGER LITURGIST USHERS**

Rev. Steve Mock Rev. Larry Yerger Randall Curtis Debbie Rostad Georgia Cherny

Sharon Russell, Kay Callahan, Phyllis Ehrhardt, Helmut Ehrhardt