
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *Basse de Cromorne* L. N. Clerambault**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Our Song Shall Rise to Thee* Joseph M. Martin
Chancel Choir***HYMN #575** *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, we bow our heads before you in humble confession of the wrongs we have done, as well as the acts of love and mercy we have not done. We have bent the truth to serve our own purposes. We have been slow to apologize and swift to condemn. We have refused to make allowances for others while demanding others make allowances for us. We have coveted things we do not need. We have spoken more than we have listened, getting carried away by our own self-importance. We have been slow to serve, but quick to demand service of others. We arrogantly imagine we can manage the lives of other people when we have not yet learned to manage our own with righteousness. For Jesus' sake, forgive us these sins and help us follow him in all our thoughts, words and deeds. *(Silent Confession)*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE***GLORIA PATRI #813*****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The First Creed – Ephesians 4:4-7 NKJV *(Unison)*

There is One Body, and One Spirit, even as we are called in One Hope of our calling — One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism, One God and Father of us all, who is above all, and through all, and in all. Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM *God's Amazing Grace* R. Hogan/Brad Nix
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *Heavenly Father* Randall Curtis**OFFERTORY** *Allegro* Beethoven***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Lord, receive our tithes and offerings as a token of our devotion and love for you. Multiply them and use them to build your church in this community. May they extend your love and grace to those in need as well as empower the witness to Jesus of your people. In His name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Joel 2:1-2, 11-15a**MESSAGE** *Listen for the Noise* Pastor Larry Yerger***HYMN #329** *There Is Power in the Blood****BENEDICTION*****RESPONSE** *Threefold Amen* Randall Curtis

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth – please feel free to ask for one.
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Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30am service

9:00am New Beginnings Service

GATHERING SONG *Love the Lord****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *Sweet, Sweet Presence*
The Heart of Worship
*O I Want to Know You More***PRAYER****OFFERING** *To Worship You***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Lean On Me*
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Colossians 4:2-6**MESSAGE** *Listen for the Noise* Pastor Larry Yerger***CLOSING SONG** *10,000 Reasons*

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.
- The family of CCSO Sgt. Michael Wilson who was killed in the line of duty August 5, 2013 and the law enforcement officers who daily put their lives on the line for us.

Those Who Grieve

- Rachel Pfaender and family on the loss of her husband, Fred on February 3rd.

Those with Special Needs

Betty Stroth	Doris Henning
Helmut Ehrhardt	Paul & Arlene Gebel
Joyce Kiskaddon	Rev. Larry Yerger
Kay Callahan	Ella Sifferd
Jerry & Nancy Julius	Rob & Jennifer Taylor & family
Barbara Woods	Carol Foster

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Sarah Ferry, <i>Rosie's Adult Family Care</i>	Dorothy Blue, <i>Harbor Terrace</i>
Barbara Shinn, <i>The Palms of Punta Gorda</i>	Marion Brown, <i>Royal Palm</i>
Esther Wheeler, <i>Life Care Center</i>	

**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 are given this morning by Gayle Rosa in loving memory of her parents.***FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER*** is available on the handout table and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

A FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR PHYLLIS BOTTICELLI will be held **TODAY at 11:30am** in the Fellowship Hall.

FEED THE HARBOR is a one-day opportunity, **TODAY**, for churches of Charlotte County to come together and serve the community by filling local food pantries. An information flyer is in the entryway.

PRAYER SERVICE – A weekly prayer service is being offered on **Sunday evenings at 6pm** in the Conference Room. Come and share in this experience of God's people praying together.

BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG – Participate in a Bible study with Rev. Larry Yerger every **Wednesday at 10am**. Our current study is the Book of Revelation. New attendees are always welcome to join us.

FREE WEBINAR – Join us in the Sanctuary on **Thursday, February 26th** from 1:00 to 2:30pm for “Pew Potatoes”, a webinar about equipping Christians to get out of their “pews” and into service in the community.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – **THIS Friday, February 27th**, we will carpool from the church at 12:15pm for our Mission Team trip to Immokalee. The migrants are in need of GENTLY USED BLANKETS, SHEETS AND TOWELS. They also need LONG-SLEEVE T-SHIRTS AND REGULAR SHIRTS. Please put donations in the wicker basket in the church entrance. If you would like to volunteer to help with serving the meal at Misión Peniel, talk to Dianne Sizemore.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be held **Tuesday, March 3rd**, in the home of the Cuzners, 2615 Rio Grande, Punta Gorda Isles and starts at 10am. Our study is “The Divine Conspiracy” by Dallas Willard and John Ortberg and is about 2 hours, with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women of the church are welcome.

SAINT PATRICK'S CORN BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER – All are invited for dinner and entertainment on **Wednesday, March 18th, at 5:30pm**. The cost for this event is \$7.00. Please use the sign up sheet in the entryway.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS – On **Sunday, March 22nd, at 3pm** in the Conference Room, 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 entryway.

AMI CROSSROADS KIDS – **Monday, March 23rd** you are invited to car pool at 10:00 to AMI Crossroads Kids. We will tour the campus, eat lunch with the boys and then tour the pottery room to see what our money is doing for the boys. Please sign up in the church entryway.

NEW OFFICE MANAGER – Debbie Rostad began working in the church office February 2nd. Her hours are Monday through Friday, 9am to 1pm and her email address is debbie@fpcpunta.org.

TREASURES TABLE – Presbyterian Women has resumed their Priceless Treasures fundraiser. A table is available in the Fellowship Hall for you to put your donations on. (No clothing, please.) If you find a “treasure” that you would like, just put your donation in the container provided. Proceeds are for outreach projects.

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

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially helping to support Rob and Jennifer Taylor and their four children in their 2-year commitment to the mission field in Zambia, Africa. Please pray for them. If you would like to donate to this mission, please make your check out to the church and in the memo line enter “Taylor Family.” Thanks - your Mission Team.

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.**

AMI KIDS CROSSROADS – Crossroads is in need of operating funds. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and on the memo line write “Crossroads.”

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 be invited to this page please email Randy at rpc1220@me.com. Live streaming of both services are available on the Church's website homepage by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE: www.fpcpunta.org. Your comments, thoughts and ideas are also welcome.

FLOWERS – May be funded for the **cost of \$37**. To make a donation, sign up at the sign-up table in the church lobby. If the flowers are in honor and/or in memory of something or someone, please put that on the sign-up sheet.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK
February 22nd thru March 1st

Sunday, February 22

11:30am Reception for Phyllis Botticelli
6:00pm Prayer Service

Wednesday, February 25

10:00am Bible Study
Fellowship trip to the Holy Land
Experience in Orlando

Thursday, February 26

1:00pm “Pew Potatoes” Webinar
5:30pm Praise Team Practice
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, February 27

12:15pm Mission Team Trip to Immokalee

Sunday, March 1

9:00am *New Beginnings* Worship
10:30am Traditional Worship
6:00pm Prayer Service

SERMON NOTES

Joel 2:1-2, 11-15a

1 Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming. It is close at hand – 2 a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness. Like dawn spreading across the mountains a large and mighty army comes, such as never was in ancient times nor ever will be in ages to come. 11 The LORD thunders at the head of his army; his forces are beyond number, and mighty is the army that obeys his command. The day of the LORD is great; it is dreadful. Who can endure it? 12 “Even now,” declares the LORD, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.” 13 Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. 14 Who knows? He may turn and relent and leave behind a blessing – grain offerings and drink offerings for the LORD your God. 15a Blow the trumpet in Zion!

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



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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

February 22, 2015

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.

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