
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *Deo Gracias (The Agincourt Hymn)* arr. David Johnson**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* arr. Marty Parks
Chancel Choir***HYMN #43** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty and merciful God, it is a gift that we can come before you to confess our sins. You have already given us so much, and yet we continue to want more. And we want everything to come without struggle. We get so consumed with our own desires that our eyes are blind to people in real need. Forgive us when we fail to appreciate what we have. Forgive us when we don't do the work we need to do with care and diligence. Cleanse us of envy, greed and laziness. Help us see the world with your eyes so we will respond as you would — with generous hearts. Amen. (*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 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* Gilbert Martin
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *Everlasting Life* Randall Curtis**OFFERTORY** *Voluntary* W. A. Mozart***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Help us to give with generous hearts, O God, and not out of a sense of duty but desire. Let us give, not because we feel we have to, but because we want to. Let us not feel imprisoned by rules of giving or what others give, but rather free us to see the potential good that comes of our gifts. Out of our bounty, and in gratitude, we give to others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE John 6:35-40**MESSAGE** *Bread* Pastor Steve Mock***HYMN #413** *Break Thou the Bread of Life****BENEDICTION*****RESPONSE** *Bless Us Now* 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 *Sing and Dance****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *Jesus We Love You*
Here I Am to Worship
*Hallelujah, Praise the Lamb***PRAYER****OFFERING** *All in All***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Lamb of God*
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** John 6:35-40**MESSAGE** *Bread* Pastor Steve Mock***CLOSING SONG** *Alleluia*

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 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
Larry Mesler	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 Roy & Kathy Belville in honor of their anniversary.**MARCH NEWSLETTER** is available on the handout table and on our website.*****MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH OUR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE*****

- **Palm Sunday – March 29 – 9am & 10:30am services**
- **Maundy Thursday – April 2 – 7pm Tenebrae Service**
- **Good Friday – April 3 – 12pm Communion Service**
- **Easter Sunday – April 5**
 - **7:00am Sunrise Service in east parking lot (please bring your own chair)**
 - **9:00am New Beginnings Praise Worship**
 - **10:30am Traditional Service**

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

DEACON'S FUND OFFERING TODAY – Today is our monthly collection for the Deacon's Fund which supports our efforts to help congregation needs, emergency needs, Spanish devotionals for Misión Peniel, and others.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS – Pastor Steve will be teaching *Becoming a Covenant Partner TODAY from 3 to 5pm* in the Conference Room.

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.

AMI CROSSROADS KIDS – TOMORROW, 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 see Dianne Sizemore for more information.

EASTER LILIES – We will be decorating the church with lilies for Easter. If you would like to donate one in remembrance or honor of a loved one, please use the offering envelopes on the back table of the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$7 for each lily. **Please have your envelope back by TOMORROW, March 23rd**; so that we can recognize you in the bulletin insert we are publishing.

“DINNER FOR EIGHT” SMALL GROUPS – The sixth and final meeting of the “Dinner For Eight” Small Group Fellowship will be held in the Fellowship Hall **THIS Tuesday, March 24th, 5:00pm**. We are looking forward to this “Reunion” group time of fellowship and sharing the events of the previous five weeks. Thank you to our leaders: Joe Cherny, Diane Truby, Joan Hoffman, Don Washabaugh and Arlene Gebel and all those who provide the savory meals.

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.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – THIS Friday, March 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.

TENEBRAE SERVICE ON MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2nd – We have a Tenebrae Service planned for Maundy Thursday. Our Choir is working on a special musical presentation. This service will be filled with familiar music and narration and culminates in a very familiar and reflective song. See the March Newsletter for more information on a Tenebrae Service.

LIVING CROSS – We are requesting flowers for the “living cross” which we will be presenting Easter morning. You can bring them to the church at **8am Easter Sunday**.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will be held **Tuesday, April 7th**, 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.

CHURCH OUTDOORS CLEAN UP DAY is scheduled for **Saturday, April 11th** at 10:30am. We hope to be done by 2:30-3:00pm. A sack lunch will be provided at 12:30pm for those who sign up. If you can come for any portion of time there will be something for you to do. Sign up in the church entrance.

CHURCH PICNIC - Come one, Come all, and bring a friend. We are having a picnic at Ponce de Leon Park on **Wednesday, April 15th**, from 5 – 8pm. The main course of chicken will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass and your own drinks and table service. Sign up in the church entrance.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR – On **Friday, April 17th**, FPCPG will serve a free meal for people who need food assistance from 5 – 7pm. We need volunteers to help serve, greet the people, and clean up afterwards. If you can help, please sign up in the church entrance.

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. 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

March 22nd thru March 29th

Sunday, March 22	
3:00pm	C.L.A.S.S. 101
6:00pm	Prayer Service
Monday, March 23	
10:00am	Trip to AMI Crossroads Kids
Tuesday, March 24	
5:00pm	“Dinner for Eight” Small Groups
Wednesday, March 25	
10:00am	Bible Study
Thursday, March 26	
5:30pm	Praise Team Practice
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 27	
12:15pm	Mission Team Trip to Immokalee
Sunday, March 29	
9:00am	<i>New Beginnings</i> Worship
10:30am	Traditional Worship
6:00pm	Prayer Service

SERMON NOTES

John 6:35-40

35 Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. 36 But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. 37 All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. 38 For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. 40 For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”

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

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

March 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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