
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *Concerto No. 2 in G Major* J. S. Bach**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Wonderful Words of Life* Phillip P. Bliss
Chancel Choir***HYMN #375** *Jesus Shall Reign***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful Savior, we confess that in the heat of the moment, we allow our tempers, our impatience and our selfishness to overcome the heart of goodness and compassion you have created within us. We respond in ways that hurt one another and do not honor you. We confess that though we long to have the mind of Christ and to respond in all situations as he has modeled for us, we sometimes fail. We are short-sighted, forgetful and fearful. We ask for your forgiveness, Lord. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and the love of all humankind. Amen. (*Silent Confession*)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE***GLORIA PATRI #813*****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Taken from the Nicene Creed (*Unison*)

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. Amen.

ANTHEM *We Are One With You, O Lord* Jay Althouse
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *Someone Who Cares* Randall Curtis**OFFERTORY** *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* J. Conkey***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

You have blessed us with every good gift, generous God. Our hearts overflow with joy and love for the privilege of walking with you and being called your own. Receive these gifts, we pray, as our faithful and grateful response to your gifts of grace and mercy in our lives. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 37:1-6**MESSAGE** *Feeding on His Faithfulness* Rob Taylor***HYMN #462** *Come, Share the Lord***SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Invitation and Prayer of Dedication

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

HYMN #446** *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*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 *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *Love the Lord
The Heart of Worship
He's All I Need***PRAYER****OFFERING** *Sweet Presence of Jesus***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Revelation Song*
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Psalm 37:1-6**MESSAGE** *Feeding on His Faithfulness* Rob Taylor**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*****CLOSING SONG** *O, I Want to Know You More*

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:

Please pray for Elaine Schultz and family on the loss of her husband, Bill on April 26th.

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
Fred Tabert	

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 this morning are given to the Glory of God.**MAY NEWSLETTER** is available on the handout table and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES****ROSE** – The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Josiah Michael Harmanson, 3rd great-grandchild of Georgia and Joe Cherny. Josiah was born April 24th to Grace Blackburn Harmanson and William Harmanson of Berea, KY.**PRAYER MEETING** – A weekly prayer meeting is being offered on **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.**FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK DINNER** – Join us **TOMORROW, May 4th, at 5:30pm** for a Potluck Dinner. Rob Taylor, from the missionary family that we help support in Zambia, will be our guest speaker. Please share the following (last names beginning with): (A-H) Salad or Vegetable
(I-Q) Dessert
(R-Z) Meat**WORSHIP CHANGE** – Beginning **May 31st through September 6th**, there will be one blended (contemporary and traditional) worship service **Sundays at 10am**.**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet **THIS Tuesday, May 5th**. The spring/summer session is based on the Book of Luke, using *Living with Passion & Purpose* by Elizabeth George as our study guide. The study meets at the home of Robert and Sharon Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, Punta Gorda Isles, and starts at 10am. The study is about 1½ hours long with time for refreshments and fellowship. All women of the church are welcome.**BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG** – Participate in a Bible study with Rev. Larry Yerger every **Wednesday at 10am**. Our current study is the Book of Daniel. New attendees are always welcome to join us.**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** – Please be in prayer with our nation this **Thursday, May 7th**, in observance of the National Day of Prayer.**RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY** – We will collect rice & pinto beans for Misión Peniel **next Sunday, May 10th**. Please place your items in the wicker basket or tall container in the church entrance.**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** – Articles for the summer issue (June – August) are due in the church office **Monday, May 11th**.**NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR – THIS Friday, May 15th**, 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.**HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL** – 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. The next Mission Team trip to Immokalee will be **Friday, May 22nd**, carpooling from the church at 12:15pm.**PRAYER EMAIL LIST** – If you would like to be on Pastor Steve's prayer email list, please email Pastor Steve at steve@fpcpunta.org.**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.

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.

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
May 3rd thru May 10th

Sunday, May 3

11:30am Small Group Leadership
In-service Training
6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Monday, May 4

10:00am Deacons
3:30pm Worship Team
5:30pm Potluck Dinner

Tuesday, May 5

10:00am Women’s Bible Study at Cuzners’

Wednesday, May 6

10:00am Bible Study

Thursday, May 7

5:30pm Praise Team
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 10

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

SERMON NOTES

Psalm 37:1-6 (NKJV)

1 Do not fret because of evildoers,
Nor be envious of the workers of iniquity.
2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass,
And wither as the green herb.
3 Trust in the LORD, and do good;
Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness.
4 Delight yourself also in the LORD,
And He shall give you the desires of your heart.
5 Commit your way to the LORD,
Trust also in Him,
And He shall bring *it* to pass.
6 He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light,
And your justice as the noonday.

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... 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

May 3, 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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