
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *Rescue the Perishing* arr. Joyce Jones**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Rise Up, O Church of God* arr. Joseph Barlowe
Chancel Choir***HYMN #809** *God of Our Fathers***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess that it is easy for us to blame others for our mistakes or problems. We live in a world that encourages a victim mentality. Too often we demand our rights rather than humbly submit to Your will. Too often we fail to take responsibility for our words and actions. We hurt others and then say that it isn't our fault or that we can't help ourselves. Please forgive us and help us live honest and responsible lives to the glory of Your Son Jesus. *(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 *Give Us a Vision* Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* Whelpton**OFFERTORY** *Allegretto* Johann Pachelbel***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Our gracious Lord, we stand before You as a living offering. You shower us with blessings, all free and totally undeserved. Bless us and use us as instruments for Your will. Bless, too, these financial gifts to Your holy purpose. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Isaiah 6:8-13**MESSAGE** *"Ouch! That Hurts!"* Pastor Larry Yerger***HYMN #589** *Here I Am, Lord****BENEDICTION*****RESPONSE** *Threefold Amen* Danish

*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 #504000476

9:00am New Beginnings Service

GATHERING SONG *Rock of Ages****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *The River Is Here*
His Love is Strong
*Open Our Eyes Lord***PRAYER****OFFERING** *Here I Am to Worship***SPECIAL MUSIC** *It's Your Song, Lord*
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 6:8-13**MESSAGE** *"Ouch! That Hurts!"* Pastor Larry Yerger***CLOSING SONG** *He Is Good*

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 NeedsJerry Julius Rev. Larry Yerger
Kay Callahan Helen Anderson
Ella Sifferd Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore Nancy Beasom
Cara Gebel Cara Coletti
Shirley Richey Sharon Russell
Ken Haun Myrna Peters***Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes***Barbara Shinn, *The Palms of Punta Gorda* Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*
Lorraine Sisson, *Saginaw, MI* John Milligan, *Sandhill Gardens*
Doris Henning, *Sandhill Gardens* Vern Wilson, *The Palms of Punta Gorda*

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 in the church foyer and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES****ECO FLAG** – The ECO flag in the front right of the sanctuary was donated by Rachel Pfaender in honor and memory of her husband, Fred Pfaender, who was a faithful servant of God and covenant partner of our church.**DEACON'S FUND OFFERING TODAY** – Our monthly collection which supports our efforts to help congregation needs, emergency needs, Misión Peniel Spanish devotionals, and others.**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.**SUMMER WORSHIP CHANGE** – Beginning May 29th through September 4th, there will be one blended (contemporary and traditional) worship service Sundays at 10am.**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MINISTRY** – Our RED "Welcome Bags" are in the church foyer waiting for someone to move into your neighborhood. If you have a new neighbor, take a Welcome Bag over, introduce yourself and invite them to our church if they don't have a church home. We are planting "seeds". Help us be good neighbors.**SUMMER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** – TOMORROW, May 16th, is the deadline for submitting articles for the summer newsletter, covering the months of June, July and August.**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – 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. (Retired Old Men Eating Out Someplace) & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. (Joyful Understanding Ladies Inconspicuously Eating Together Someplace)** - will meet at Sky View Café at the Punta Gorda Airport THIS Thursday, May 19th at 8:00am. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.**THE SECOND CUP (of coffee)** – The Second Cup Bible Study discussion group will resume in October.**HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL** – Friday, May 27th, is our next mission trip to Immokalee. We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer. Place donations of **gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts** in the wicker basket in the church foyer.**ICE CREAM SOCIAL** – Join us on Wednesday, June 8th, 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall for an Ice Cream Social. The Joy King Gospel Singers will provide entertainment for us. Sign up in the church foyer.**TREASURES TABLE** – The Presbyterian Women want to thank you for your support of our outreach projects by patronizing and donating items to our table of treasures. If you have items to donate, please bring them in and place them **under** the tables in designated boxes. The items will be displayed for one month to six weeks and will then be donated to St. Vincent de Paul's. If you would like to reclaim your donated item, please put a sticker on it saying "return to owner".**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.**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."

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."

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 \$37.50**. 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.

SERMON NOTES

Isaiah 6:8-13 (NLT)

⁸Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me." ⁹And he said, "Yes, go, and say to this people, 'Listen carefully, but do not understand. Watch closely, but learn nothing.' ¹⁰Harden the hearts of these people. Plug their ears and shut their eyes. That way, they will not see with their eyes, nor hear with their ears, nor understand with their hearts and turn to me for healing. ¹¹Then I said, "Lord, how long will this go on?" And he replied, "Until their towns are empty, their houses are deserted, and the whole country is a wasteland; ¹²until the Lord has sent everyone away, and the entire land of Israel lies deserted. ¹³If even a tenth—a remnant—survive, it will be invaded again and burned. But as a terebinth or oak tree leaves a stump when it is cut down, so Israel's stump will be a holy seed."

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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

Mother's Day

May 15, 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
Don Washabaugh
Sharon Russell, Jean LaMantia,
Roy Belville, Mary Anne Washabaugh

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

May 15 thru May 22

Sunday, May 15

6:00pm

Prayer Meeting

Monday, May 16

2:00pm

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Session

Tuesday, May 17

10:00am

Women's Bible Study at the Cuzners

Wednesday, May 18

10:00am

Bible Study

Thursday, May 19

8:00am

R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.

6:00pm

Praise Team

Sunday, May 22

9:00am

New Beginnings Worship

10:30am

Traditional Worship

6:00pm

Prayer Meeting

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