

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *His Glory* arr. Gayden C. Sikes
Organ/Piano Duet – Donovan Curtis and Randall Curtis

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #401** *The Church's One Foundation*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *Kumbaya* Traditional
Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE *Through It All* Andrae Crouch

OFFERING *Panis Angelicus*
Organ/Piano Duet – Donovan Curtis and Randall Curtis

***RESPONSE #815** *Doxology*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Unison*)

Thanks be to you, O God, for all good gifts, and especially for Your inexpressible gift of the Lord Jesus. Help us, O Lord, to see how we have been blessed and use our offering as a blessing to others. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Various Scriptures

MESSAGE *Taking Action for God* John Davidson
Crossroads Hope Academy

***HYMN #724** *Lead On, O King Eternal*

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *Fourfold Amen* John Stainer

*Please stand, if able

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 service

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 member of our congregation.

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 ECO 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 Lisa Alfonsi and Eric Stone & family, missionaries that we support.
- Pray for the property negotiations with Peace River Presbytery.

Those Who Grieve

- Pray for the family of John Milligan who went home to the Lord on April 25th.

Those with Special Needs:

Rachel Pfaender	Kay Callahan	Rev. Larry Yerger
Helen Anderson	Ella Sifferd	Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore	Nancy Beasom	Cara Gebel
Cara Coletti	Ken Haun	Joe Cherny
Helmut Ehrhardt	Richard Hill	Joan Pfeiffer
Joe Brooks		

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Barbara Shinn, <i>The Palms of Punta Gorda</i>	Marion Brown, <i>Royal Palm</i>
Lorraine Sisson, <i>Saginaw, MI</i>	Mae Snyder, <i>Port Charlotte Rehab</i>
Doris Henning, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>	

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests.

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

FLOWERS – The flowers today are given by Randy & Diane Curtis in honor of Anne's birthday.

THE MAY NEWSLETTER is available in the church foyer and on our website.

PICTURE DIRECTORIES are available in the church foyer.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

SUMMER WORSHIP – Through **October 15th**, there will be one blended (contemporary and traditional) worship service on **Sundays at 10am**.

GATHER FOR PRAYER – Please join others on **Sunday mornings at 9:40am** in the Conference Room to pray for our worship service. Also, **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.

DEACON'S FUND OFFERING TODAY – Our monthly collection supports our efforts to help congregation needs, emergency needs, Misión Peniel Spanish devotionals, and others.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY – Crossroads Hope Academy is in need of operating funds for their new phase of ministry. We have been asked to raise \$5,000 by September along with 19 other churches. To make a donation, please use the envelopes on the table in the foyer and make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and on the memo line write "Crossroads."

TURKEY & NOODLES DINNER - Join us **THIS Wednesday, May 24th, at 5:30pm** in Fellowship Hall. A representative from the Punta Gorda Veterans Village will be speaking. Gail Thornton is our Chef for the evening. The cost is \$5.00. Please sign up in the church foyer.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Pastor Larry’s Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome as we study the Book of Romans.

SOUND & TECH BOOTH OPERATOR HELP – If you would like to help out once in awhile on Sunday mornings, please call the church office. Training will be provided.

SINGLES MINISTRY – Please sign up in the church foyer for these **“Sociable Singles”** events:

Friday, June 2nd, 5:00pm – Dinner at River City Grill, Punta Gorda. No carpool.

Thursday, June 15th – “A Day at The Ringling in Sarasota”. Bus Trip.

Friday, June 16th, 12:00pm – Lunch at Red Lobster, Port Charlotte. Carpool leaves at 11:30am.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – Our next trip will be on **Friday, June 23rd**. We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer.

SUPPORT THE “PUNTA GORDA VETERANS VILLAGE” ON TAYLOR ROAD – Please place donated items in the green basket in the church foyer.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially supporting two missionary families through Antioch Partners. The Eric Stone family is serving in Guatemala and Lisa Alfonsi is serving in Peru. Please pray for them. If you would like to donate to either of these missionaries, please make checks payable to the church and on the memo line write “Stone Family” or “Lisa Alfonsi”.

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.

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

May 21st thru May 28th

<u>Sunday, May 21</u>	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
<u>Monday, May 22</u>	
1:00pm	Session
<u>Tuesday, May 23</u>	
10:00am	Game Morning
<u>Wednesday, May 24</u>	
10:00am	Bible Study
5:30pm	Turkey & Noodles Dinner
<u>Thursday, May 25</u>	
5:30pm	Praise Team
<u>Sunday, May 28</u>	
10:00am	Worship
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting

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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

May 21, 2017

10:00am

PASTOR	Rev. Steve Mock
ASSISTANT PASTOR	Rev. Larry Yergler
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Randall Curtis
OFFICE MANAGER	Debbie Rostad
USHERS	Jean LaMantia, Sharon Russell, Nancy Murphy, Mary Anne Washabaugh