

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Amazing Grace* arr. Carol Turnquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN #147 *How Great Thou Art*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *“Singin’ Camp Meetin’ Style”* Mosie Lister
Jubilee Singers

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Lorie Line

*RESPONSE #815 *Doxology*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Unison*)

Gracious God, accept these gifts as signs of our desire to serve You. Make our offerings to be instruments of peace and grace in the world. Use them to heal the sick, and to bring hope to the brokenhearted, comfort for the afflicted, justice for the oppressed and good news to all. And let all that we do be a foretaste of Your reign on earth. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

*PRAISE SONG #193 *God Is So Good*

SCRIPTURE Genesis 39:1-23

MESSAGE *Avoiding the Fatal Attraction* Pastor Steve Mock

*HYMN #340 *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus (repeat once)*

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #426 *Blest Be the Tie that Binds (vs. 1)*

*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.
- Pray for Charlotte County, for revival and renewal as part of Prayers Over Charlotte.
- 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 Mary Vincent who went home to the Lord on July 4.

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	Joe Brooks

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

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

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 Bruce Peters in memory of Myrna R. Peters.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

GUEST ORGANIST TODAY – We welcome Debbie Rostad as our guest organist/pianist.

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.

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

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.

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, July 27th at 8:00am**. All are welcome.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – Our next mission trip to Immokalee is **THIS Friday, July 28th**. We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer.

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 DATE WE'VE RAISED \$2,977. To donate, please use the envelopes on the table in the foyer, make checks payable to FPC and on the memo line write "Crossroads."

VETERANS VILLAGE – Please take time to write a thank you note to a Veteran living in Veterans Village in Punta Gorda. Cards are located in the church foyer on the same table as the newsletters. Also, please continue to place donated items in the green basket in the church foyer.

SINGLES MINISTRY – Please sign up in the church foyer for these "**Sociable Singles**" events:
Friday, August 4th, 5:00pm – Dinner at Smoke'n Pit Bar-B-Q, 2200 Kings Hwy., Port Charlotte. Carpool leaves at 4:30am.

Friday, August 18th, 12:00pm – Lunch at Shell Factory, Ft. Myers. Carpool leaves at 11:15am.

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? Or deliver a meal that someone else has fixed? If so, please call the church office to volunteer.

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".

PRAYER EMAIL LIST – If you would like to be on Pastor Steve's prayer email list, please email Pastor Steve at steve@fpcpunta.org.

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

July 23rd thru July 30th

<u>Sunday, July 23</u>	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
<u>Tuesday, July 25</u>	
10:00am	Game Morning
<u>Wednesday, July 26</u>	
10:00am	Bible Study
<u>Thursday, July 27</u>	
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.
<u>Friday, July 28</u>	
12:15pm	Mission Team Trip to Immokalee
<u>Sunday, July 30</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

July 23, 2017

10:00am

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