

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAISE

There is Power
New Beginnings Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN #734

Be Strong in the Lord

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

Shine on Us
New Beginnings Praise Team

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

Gigue

J. S. Bach

*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.

*HYMN #534

Learning to Lean

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 4:21-31

MESSAGE

Slave or Free

Pastor Steve Mock

*HYMN #10

Majesty

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

Alleluia

*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth – please feel free to ask for one.

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504000476

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 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 who Grieve

- Pray for Bruce Peters and family on the loss of his wife, Myrna, who went home to the Lord on June 22, 2016.
- Pray for the family of Mary Ondersma, who went home to the Lord on July 9, 2016.
- Pray for Thomas Richey and family on the loss of his wife, Shirley, who went home to the Lord on July 13, 2016.

Those with Special Needs:

Jerry Julius	Kay Callahan	Rev. Larry Yerger
Helen Anderson	Ella Sifferd	Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore	Nancy Beasom	Cara Gebel
Cara Coletti	Mae Snyder	Jean Hinman
Ken Haun	Donna Peterson	

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>	John Milligan, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>
Doris Henning, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>	Vern Wilson, <i>The Palms of Punta Gorda</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 by Jean Cleffi in honor of Doris Henning.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

DORIS HENNING'S 100TH BIRTHDAY – Join us **TODAY** following the service in Fellowship Hall to celebrate with Doris on this very special birthday.

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 community.

NEW: EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – This new Bible Study will begin in August, meeting from 7-8:30pm. Are you interested? Please sign up in the church foyer.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MINISTRY – Our RED "Welcome Bags" are in the church foyer waiting for you to deliver to a new neighbor in your neighborhood.

GAME MORNINGS – Join us **EVERY Tuesday this summer** for Game Mornings from **10am to Noon** in Fellowship Hall. Come to play or just to observe.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Pastor Larry is leading a study on the “minor” books in the Bible **Wednesday morning 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, July 28th, at 8:00am**. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL –Our next mission trip to Immokalee is on **Friday, August 26th**. 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.

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 your 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.**

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 24th thru July 31st

Sunday, July 24

11:00am Birthday Celebration for Doris Henning
6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, July 26

10:00am Game Morning

Wednesday, July 27

10:00am Bible Study

Thursday, July 28

8:00am R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. at the Skyview Café

Sunday, July 31

10:00am Worship
6:00pm Prayer Meeting

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Loving...Growing...Going...in Jesus!



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A Covenant Order
of Evangelical
Presbyterians

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 24, 2016

10:00am

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Rev. Steve Mock
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