

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIANO PRELUDE *Going Home* arr. Michael Fischer

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN #435 *God of Grace and God of Glory*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *How Beautiful* Twila Paris
Marcia Ling

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Gavotte* G. F. Handel

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

Holy God, we present our gifts to you for the work and ministry of Christ's church. We offer these, our financial resources, even as we offer our lives. Take and utilize all that we are, so that in our lives others will know Your love; in Jesus' name. Amen.

*PRAISE SONG #732 *The Battle Belongs to the Lord*

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 2:1-8

MESSAGE *Alone #3 – Sola Gratia* Pastor Larry Yerger
The Loneliest Only

*HYMN #461 *In Remembrance*

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 #343 *Amazing Grace*

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #704 *God Will Make a Way*

*Please stand, if able

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

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #502319310

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 live in this area, permanently or seasonally, we invite you to join hands in ministry with us by becoming a member of our congregation.

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

FLOWERS – Flowers are given by Larry and Sue Mesler, honoring their wedding anniversary.

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 Rob & Jennifer Taylor, missionaries to Zambia, that we support.

Those who Grieve:

Family and friends of Sarah Ferry who went home to the Lord on July 27th, at the age of 101.

Those with Special Needs:

Betty Stroth	Larry Mesler	Rev. Larry Yerger
Helmut Ehrhardt	Fred Tabert	Ella Sifferd
Joyce Kiskaddon	Doris Henning	Rob Taylor & family
Kay Callahan	Paul & Arlene Gebel	Carol Foster
Jerry & Nancy Julius	Dianne Sizemore	

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Barbara Shinn, *The Palms of Punta Gorda* Dorothy Blue, *Harbor Terrace*

Esther Wheeler, *Life Care Center* Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*

Lorraine Sisson, *Shattuck Manor, MI*

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests.

Requests will be listed for 4 weeks and then removed unless updated.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

BLOOD PRESSURES – Will be taken **TODAY** before and after the service in the Conference Room. See Carolyn Kvam-Hansman.

STONE CRABS BALLGAME – SIGN UP TODAY to join us for a Stone Crabs game this **Saturday, August 8th, at 7pm.**

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.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Articles for the September newsletter are due in the church office by **Monday, August 10th.**

BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG – Rev. Larry Yerger is leading an intensive study on the Book of Ezekiel **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 at 8:00am **THIS Thursday, August 6th.** Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR – On **Friday, August 21st**, we will serve a free meal from 5-7pm for people who need food assistance. You may volunteer to help serve, greet people, or clean up afterwards. If you can help, please sign up in the church entrance.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – **Our next trip will be Friday, August 28th**, carpooling from the church at 12:15pm. Contact Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer. If you have

donations of *gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts*, please put them in the wicker basket in the church entrance.

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 use the sign up sheet in the church entryway.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially helping support 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.**

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

OUR DAILY BREAD – This daily devotional is available 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.

TREASURES TABLE – Visit the Presbyterian Women’s Priceless Treasures table in the Fellowship Hall. You may place your “treasures” there (no clothing, please); or if you find a “treasure” that you like, put a donation in the container. Proceeds are for outreach projects.

FLOWERS – May be sponsored for the **cost of \$37**. To make a donation, sign up in the church entryway. You may list the flowers in honor and/or in memory of something or someone.

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

August 2nd thru August 9th

Sunday, August 2

6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, August 5

10:00am Bible Study

Thursday, August 6

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

Sunday, August 9

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

August 2, 2015

10:00am

PASTOR
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MUSIC DIRECTOR
OFFICE MANAGER
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