

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PIANO PRELUDE *O How I Love Jesus* arr. Mark Kellner

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #215** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Lord is My Shepherd*
Duet – Marcia Ling and Diane Curtis

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Allegretto* Beethoven

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

Generous Father, you have given us so much and we are blessed beyond compare. Receive our tithes and offerings as we dedicate them to the work of your church. May they enable us to continue to build your kingdom of love and redemption in this place. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRAISE SONG *Trust In the Lord*

SCRIPTURE Galatians 2:20

MESSAGE *Can I Get A Witness: My Story* Pastor Steve Mock

***HYMN #508** *Love Lifted Me*

*BENEDICTION

***RESPONSE #555** *To Be like Jesus*

*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 today to the Glory of God.

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	Helen Anderson

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Barbara Shinn, <i>The Palms of Punta Gorda</i>	Dorothy Blue, <i>Harbor Terrace</i>
Esther Wheeler, <i>Life Care Center</i>	Marion Brown, <i>Royal Palm</i>
Lorraine Sisson, <i>Shattuck Manor, MI</i>	

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests.

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES – Throughout August we will be collecting school supplies for Sallie Jones Elementary. A bin is in the church entrance for your donations.

RETURN TO TWO SERVICES SEPTEMBER 13 – On September 13th, we will return to two services, the New Beginnings Praise Service at 9am and the Traditional Service at 10:30am.

Please mark your calendars.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER – is now available in the church entrance and on our website.

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.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – Join us **THIS Friday, August 28th**, for our mission trip to Immokalee. We will carpool 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.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR – On **Friday, September 18th**, 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.

POT LUCK SUPPER – On **Wednesday, September 30th**, you are invited to a “Welcome Back” Pot Luck Supper and Movie at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars!

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 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.

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 23rd thru August 30th

Sunday, August 23

6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Wednesday, August 26

10:00am Bible Study

Friday, August 28

12:15pm Mission Team Trip to Immokalee

Sunday, August 30

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 23, 2015

10:00am

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