

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Andante* W. A. Mozart

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #33** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *Be Strong in the Lord* Michael Barrett
Anne Swift, Diane Curtis, Randy Curtis

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Larghetto* William Boyce

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

Accept these gifts, O God, as testimonies of our love for You and our desire to serve You. Let these offerings be an affirmation that we are bound to one another as Your people. In Your generous name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN #219** *Surely the Presence*

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 4:7-11 and Revelation 7:11-12

MESSAGE *Alone #5 – Soli Deo Gloria* Pastor Larry Yerger
God Gets The Credit

***HYMN #460** *Let Us Break Bread Together*

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 #56** *To God Be the Glory*

*BENEDICTION

***RESPONSE #232** *God Be with You (verse 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 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 – The flowers are given today by Sandra and David Milligan, in honor of John and Joan Milligan's 65th 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:

- Please pray for Sharon Russell and family on the loss of her husband, Richard Beck, on August 26th.

Those with Special Needs:

Jerry & Nancy Julius Rev. Larry Yerger Rob Taylor & family

Helmut Ehrhardt Fred Tabert Ella Sifferd

Kay Callahan Paul & Arlene Gebel Carol Foster

Dianne Sizemore Helen Anderson

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.

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.

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

RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY – We will collect rice & pinto beans for Misión Peniel **next Sunday, September 13th**. Please place your items in the tall container in the church entrance.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER – The September newsletter is now available in the church entrance and on our website. *Articles for the October newsletter are due September 14th.*

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.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – Will reconvene on **Tuesday, September 15th at 10am**. Our study is from the Book of Luke and meets at the home of Robert and Sharon Cuzner. The study is about 1½ hours long with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women of the church are welcome. See the September newsletter for more details.

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!

BETTY STROTH TURNS 90 ON SEPTEMBER 22nd – To wish Betty a Happy Birthday, please send a card to her daughter’s address: Susan Stroth Wizner, 721 Rockbridge Rd SW, Lilburn, GA 30047. For more details, see the flyer on the bulletin board 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.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – **Join us Friday, September 25th**, 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.

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.”

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

September 6th thru September 13th

Sunday, September 6

6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Monday, September 7

Labor Day Holiday
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

10:00am Fellowship Team
3:00pm Mission Team

Wednesday, September 9

10:00 Bible Study

Thursday, September 10

5:30pm Praise Team
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, September 13

9:00am *New Beginnings* Worship
10:30am Traditional 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

September 6, 2015

10:00am

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