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**10:30am Worship Service**

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS****PRELUDE** *Trumpet Tune* Simon Stublely**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Glory to His Name* Hoffiman/Stockton  
Chancel Choir**\*HYMN #139** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess that it is easy for us to blame others for our mistakes or problems. We live in a world that encourages a victim mentality. Too often we demand our rights rather than humbly submit to Your will. Too often we fail to take responsibility for our words and actions. We hurt others and then say that it isn't our fault or that we can't help ourselves. Please forgive us and help us live honest and responsible lives to the glory of Your Son Jesus. *(Silent Confession)*

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE****\*GLORIA PATRI #813****\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed *(Unison)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**ANTHEM** *I Love You Lord* Klein/Schrader  
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *O Lord, You're Beautiful* Keith Green**OFFERTORY** *Andantino* Thomas Ryder**\*DOXOLOGY #815****\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Our gracious Lord, we stand before You as a living offering. You shower us with blessings, all free and totally undeserved. Bless us and use us as instruments for Your will. Bless, too, these financial gifts to Your holy purpose. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE** Hebrews 11:1-3**MESSAGE** *What is Faith?* Pastor Steve Mock**\*HYMN #536** *Have Faith in God***\*BENEDICTION****\*RESPONSE** *Threefold Amen* Danish

\*Please stand, if able

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

*Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30am service*

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**9:00am New Beginnings Service**

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**OPENING SONG** *I Will Exalt***\*PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
*10,000 Reasons*  
*He's All I Need***PRAYER****OFFERING** *We've Come to Glorify***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Every Need Supplied*  
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Hebrews 11:1-3**MESSAGE** *What is Faith?* Pastor Steve Mock**\*CLOSING SONG** *Love the Lord*

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**MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

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***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 Mary Kimberly and family on the loss of her husband, Carl, who went home to the Lord on August 23, 2016.

***Those with Special Needs***

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| Jerry Julius    | Rev. Larry Yerger |
| Kay Callahan    | 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***

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| 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.*  
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**CELL PHONES** – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.**SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER** is available in the church foyer and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES****TODAY IS RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY** – Thank you for helping feed the migrant workers in Immokalee.**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 and community.**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE** – Articles for the combined October/November newsletter are due in the church office by **Monday, September 12th**.**GAME MORNING** – Join us **THIS Tuesday, September 13th**, for Game Morning from **10am to Noon** in Fellowship Hall. Come to play or just to observe.**EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP** – Meets **THIS Tuesday, September 13th, from 7-8:30pm**. "*Lies Women Believe and the Truth That Sets Them Free*" by Nancy Leigh DeMoss is the focus of our study. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at the church. All women are invited.**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – **THIS Wednesday, September 14th, at 10am**, Pastor Larry begins a study on the Book of Confessions that both declares and teaches what we believe. The study is open to everyone.**DEACON'S FUND** – **NEXT Sunday, September 18th**, is our monthly collection to help support congregation and emergency needs, Misi6n Peniel, and others.**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** resumes **Tuesday, September 20th at 10am**. We will start a new six-week study called "*Glory Days – Living Your Promised Land Life Now*" by Max Lucado. This study helps us to understand that we were made for more – we were made for Glory Days. We meet at the home of Sharon and Robert Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, Punta Gorda Isles. The study is about one and a half hours long with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women are invited.**HELPING MISI6N PENIEL** – Our next mission trip to Immokalee is **Friday, September 23rd**. We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church to volunteer. Place donations of **gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts** in the wicker basket in the church foyer.**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.**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MINISTRY** – Our RED "Welcome Bags" are in the church foyer waiting for you to deliver to a new neighbor in your neighborhood.**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 checks payable to the church and on the memo line write "Taylor Family."**CROSSROADS MINISTRY** – AMI KIDS Crossroads is in need of operating funds. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to First Presbyterian 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.****FURRY FRIENDS** – Our furry friends need your help! In the church foyer there is a green tub where you can put dog and cat food, animal toys and gently used blankets and towels. For questions, ask Randy or Diane Curtis.

**PRAYER EMAIL LIST** – If you would like to be on Pastor Steve’s prayer email list, please email Pastor Steve at [steve@fpcpunta.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.fpcpunta.org)) by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE.

**THE FELLOWSHIP TEAM** requests your comments and suggestions for our activities. An “idea box” is in the church foyer.

**TREASURES TABLE** – Visit the Presbyterian Women’s Priceless Treasures table in 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 \$37.50**. 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.

## SERMON NOTES

Hebrews 11:1-3 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. <sup>2</sup>This is what the ancients were commended for. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



# ECO

A Covenant Order  
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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*

September 11, 2016

9:00am & 10:30am

### WELCOME

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 covenant partner of our congregation.

**PASTOR**  
**ASSISTANT PASTOR**  
**MUSIC DIRECTOR**  
**OFFICE MANAGER**  
**LITURGIST**  
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Rev. Steve Mock  
Rev. Larry Yerger  
Randall Curtis  
Debbie Rostad  
Georgia Cherny  
Sharon Russell, Kay Callahan,  
Nancy Murphy, Jean LaMantia

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### EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

September 11th thru September 18th

**Sunday, September 11**

6:00pm Prayer Meeting

**Monday, September 12**

10:00am NEWSLETTER DEADLINE  
Fellowship Team  
3:30pm Worship Team

**Tuesday, September 13**

10:00am Game Morning  
3:00pm Missions Team  
7:00pm Women’s Bible Study at Church

**Wednesday, September 14**

10:00am Bible Study

**Thursday, September 15**

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

**Sunday, September 18**

9:00am *New Beginnings* Worship  
10:30am Traditional Worship  
6:00pm Prayer Meeting

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