

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. by Carol Tornquist

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #493** *Glory to His Name*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

HYMN #630 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING *Amazing Grace* arr. by Carol Tornquist

***RESPONSE #815** *Doxology*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

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.

***PRAISE SONG #105** *We Will Glorify*

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:12-16

MESSAGE *What is a Disciple?* Pastor Steve Mock

***HYMN #592** *Jesus Calls Us*

*BENEDICTION

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #231** *Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart*

*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 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 ECO 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 Lisa Alfonsi and Eric Stone & family, missionaries that we support.

Those with Special Needs:

Rachel Pfaender	Kay Callahan	Rev. Larry Yerger
Helen Anderson	Ella Sifferd	Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore	Nancy Beasom	Joe Cherny
Cara Coletti	Ken Haun	Joe Brooks
Helmut Ehrhardt	Richard Hill	

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>	Mae Snyder, <i>Port Charlotte Rehab</i>
Doris Henning, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>	

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests.

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

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER – Available in the church foyer.

FLOWERS – The flowers today are given by Marguerite O'Brien in memory of John J. O'Brien.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

GUEST ORGANIST TODAY – We welcome Debbie Rostad as our guest organist/pianist.

SUMMER WORSHIP – Through **October 15th**, there will be one blended (contemporary and traditional) worship service on **Sundays at 10am**.

DEACON'S FUND OFFERING TODAY – Our monthly collection supports our efforts to help congregation needs, emergency needs, Misi3n Peniel Spanish devotionals, and others.

GATHER FOR PRAYER – Please join others on **Sunday mornings at 9:40am** in the Conference Room to pray for our worship service. Also, **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.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – **Monday, September 18th.**

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY **This Tuesday, September 19th at 10am.** Our study is "*The Armor of God*" by Patricia Shirer. We will meet at the home of Sharon and Robert Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, PGI on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The study is about 1 1/2 hours long with time for discussion and fellowship. All women are invited.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – Pastor Larry's Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome as we study the Book of Hebrews.

R.O.M.E.O.S. (Retired Old Men Eating Ot 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, September 21st at 8:00am.** Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

SINGLES MINISTRY – Please sign up in the church foyer for this “Sociable Singles” event: **Friday, October 6th, 5:00pm** at The Captain’s Table, Fishermen’s Village, PG. No carpool.

SAVE THE DATE – Wednesday, October 25th, 4:30pm – Church Picnic at Bayshore Live Oak Park in Charlotte Harbor.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY – Area churches have been asked to help Crossroads Ministry by raising \$5,000 by September. TO DATE WE’VE RAISED \$3,817.00. To donate, make checks payable to FPC and on the memo line write “Crossroads.”

VETERANS VILLAGE – Please take time to write a thank you note to a Veteran living in Veterans Village in Punta Gorda. You may place donated items in the green basket.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL –Our next mission trip to Immokalee is **Friday, December 22nd.** We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church office to volunteer.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially supporting two missionary families through Antioch Partners. The Eric Stone family is serving in Guatemala and Lisa Alfonsi is serving in Peru. Please pray for them. If you would like to donate to either of these missionaries, please make checks payable to the church and on the memo line write “Stone Family” or “Lisa Alfonsi”.

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

September 17th thru September 24th

Sunday, September 17	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday, September 18	Newsletter Deadline
1:00pm	Session
Tuesday, September 19	
10:00am	Women’s Bible Study at the Cuzners
Wednesday, September 20	
10:00am	Bible Study
Thursday, September 21	
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.
5:30pm	Praise Team
Sunday, September 24	
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

September 17, 2017

10:00am

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