

15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00am New Beginnings Service

*GATHERING SONG	<i>Blessed Be the Name of the Lord</i>	
*PRAISING GOD IN SONG	<i>Mighty Is Our God Jesus We Love You Lord You Have My Heart</i>	
PRAYER		
OFFERING	<i>Give Thanks</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>He Put a New Song in My Heart</i> New Beginnings Praise Team	
SCRIPTURE	Colossians 1:1-2	
MESSAGE	<i>Hi! I'm Paul!</i>	Rev. Steve Mock
*CLOSING SONG	<i>He Is Good</i>	

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.
- The family of CCSO Sgt. Michael Wilson who was killed in the line of duty August 5, 2013 and the law enforcement officers who daily put their lives on the line for us.

Those Who Grieve

Those with Special Needs

Betty Stroth	Fred & Rachel Pfaender
Helmut Ehrhardt	Paul & Arlene Gebel
Joyce Kiskaddon	Rev. Larry Yerger
Adelaide Hauck	Ella Sifferd
Jerry & Nancy Julius	Rob & Jennifer Taylor & family
Kay Callahan	

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Sarah Ferry, <i>Rosie's Adult Family Care</i>	Dorothy Blue, <i>Harbor Terrace</i>
Barbara Shinn, <i>The Palms of Punta Gorda</i>	Marion Brown, <i>Royal Palm</i>
Esther Wheeler, <i>Life Care Center</i>	

**Please keep the office updated concerning your requests. Requests will be listed for 4 weeks and then removed unless updated.*

10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE	<i>Rescue the Perishing</i>	arr. Joyce Jones
CALL TO WORSHIP		
INTROIT	<i>I Gave My Life for Thee</i>	Philip P. Bliss Chancel Choir

*HYMN #45 *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Father, you know our thoughts and actions. You know how we give into the temptation to react without thinking; to respond quickly with anger that can damage relationships and hurt others. You tell us not to sin in our anger, yet we have said unkind words or acted in hurtful ways towards others. Please forgive our lack of self-control. May we depend more on your Spirit to control our emotions. *(Silent Confession)*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI #813

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The First Creed Ephesians 4:4-7 NKJV *(Unison)*

There is One Body, and One Spirit, even as we are called in One Hope of our calling — One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism, One God and Father of us all, who is above all, and through all, and in all. Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Amen.

ANTHEM	<i>Sweet By and By</i>	Joel Raney Chancel Choir
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ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

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PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE	<i>Learning to Lean</i>	John Stallings
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OFFERTORY	<i>Praise Ye the Father</i>	Flemming
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*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, we thank you for the all the blessings we enjoy from your hand. We dedicate these tithes and offerings to you and to the work of your church. Multiply them so that your kingdom of love will continue to grow in this church, our community and throughout the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE	Colossians 1:1-2	
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MESSAGE	<i>Hi! I'm Paul!</i>	Rev. Steve Mock
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*HYMN #340 *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus (repeat once)*

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE	<i>Threefold Amen</i>	Randall Curtis
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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 10:30am service

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

CELL PHONES – Please remember to silence or turn off your cell phone.

FLOWERS – The flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God.

DEACONS FUND OFFERING TODAY – Today is our monthly collection for the Deacon's Fund. The Deacon's Fund supports our efforts to help congregation needs, Neighbor-to-Neighbor Dinners, emergency needs, Misión Peniel Spanish devotionals, and others.

PRAYER SERVICE – A weekly prayer service is being offered on **Sunday evenings at 6:00pm** in the Conference Room. Come and share in this experience of God's people praying together.

BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG – Participate in a Bible study with Rev. Larry Yerger every **Wednesday at 10am** involving in-depth discussions on a variety of Biblical topics and their relationship to current affairs. We are currently studying the Early Church in the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. New attendees are always welcome to join us.

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 be meeting at Sky View Café at the Punta Gorda Airport at 8:00am on **Thursday, September 25th**. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

LANGDON THEATRE – We are offering an excursion to the Langdon Theatre in Port Charlotte (near Sam's Club) on **Friday, October 24th** to see the show "Cemetery Club." We hear this play is a hoot! The show is \$14 and begins at 7pm. Sign up in the church entrance if you'd like to join us.

HOLY LAND EXPERIENCE IN ORLANDO – We are considering a trip to Holy Land in Orlando in January or February. The cost is \$75, which includes the bus and admission; it's \$50 to rent a scooter. There is a sign-up sheet in the church entrance for those interested (this is to give us an estimate of how many would like to go).

THE FELLOWSHIP TEAM requests your comments & suggestions for our activities. An "idea box" is on the sign-up table in the church entrance.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will continue on the first and third Tuesday of each month in the home of Sharon & Robert Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande, Punta Gorda Isles and starts at 10am. Our current study is called "Soul Keeping" by John Ortberg and is about 1½ hour, with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women of the church are welcome.

MISSIONARY SUPPORT – We are financially helping to support Rob and Jennifer Taylor and their four children in their 2-year commitment to the mission field in Zambia, Africa. Please pray for them. If you would like to donate to this mission, please make your check out to the church and in the memo line enter "Taylor Family." Thanks- your Mission Team.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL – The migrants are in need of GENTLY USED BLANKETS, SHEETS AND TOWELS. They also need LONG-SLEEVE T-SHIRTS AND REGULAR SHIRTS. Please put donations in the wicker basket in the church entrance. If you would like to volunteer on a Friday afternoon to help with serving the meal at Misión Peniel, talk to Dianne Sizemore. Our next trip will be on **Friday, October 3rd**, carpooling from the church at 12:15pm.

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.**

AMI KIDS CROSSROADS – 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."

COFFEE CAKES - The Mission Team is selling Butter Braid Coffee Cakes for \$12 each or 2 for \$20 and come in 5 varieties: Blueberry & Cream Cheese, Bavarian Cream, Apple, Cinnamon, & Cream Cheese. The profit from each one sold is benefiting Crossroads AMI Kids.

OUR DAILY BREAD – Pick up a copy of this booklet of daily devotionals 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 be invited to this page please email Randy at rpc1220@me.com. Live streaming of both services are available on the Church's website homepage by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE: www.fpcpunta.org. Your comments, thoughts and ideas are also welcome.

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 funded for the **cost of \$37**. To make a donation, sign up at the sign-up table in the church lobby. If the flowers are in honor and/or in memory of something or someone, please put that on the sign-up sheet.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

September 21st thru September 28th

Sunday, September 21

6:00pm Prayer Service

Wednesday, September 24

10:00am Bible Study

Thursday, September 25

8:00am R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. @ Sky View Café, Punta Gorda Airport

5:30pm Praise Team Practice

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, September 28

9:00am *New Beginnings* Worship

10:30am Traditional Worship

6:00pm Prayer Service

SERMON NOTES

Colossians 1:1-2 (NIV)

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
2 To God's holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ:
Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



ECO

A Covenant Order
of Evangelical
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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 21, 2014

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.

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