

## 10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Trumpet Tune*

Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN #563

*Open My Eyes That I May See*

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

*I'm Gonna Sit Down*  
New Beginnings Praise Team

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

*Your Grace Still Amazes Me*  
New Beginnings Praise Team

\*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.

SCRIPTURE

John 13:12-15; 1 Peter 2:21

MESSAGE

*Imitator of Jesus*

Pastor Steve Mock

\*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 #560

*More About Jesus*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #656

*Take Time to Be Holy (vs. 1)*

\*Please stand, if able

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

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504065392

**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.
- Pray for those affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria.

### *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.*

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

**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** – Available in the church foyer.

**FLOWERS** – The flowers today are given by Jene Shafer in memory of Loved Ones.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**ROSE** - The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Hazel Lynn Martin, 5th great-great-grandchild of Gail Thornton. Hazel was born September 25th to Maddie & Brandon.

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

**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.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** This **Tuesday, October 3rd, 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.

**RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY** – We will collect rice & pinto beans for Misión Peniel **next Sunday, October 8th**. Please place your items in the tall container in the church entrance.

**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 meet at Sky View Café at the Punta Gorda Airport **THIS Thursday, October 5th, at 8:00am.**

**SINGLES MINISTRY** – Please sign up in the church foyer for these “Sociable Singles” events:  
**Friday, October 6th, 5:00pm** at The Captain’s Table, Fishermen’s Village, PG. No carpool.  
**Friday, October 20th, 12:00pm** at the Elks Club, Punta Gorda. No carpool.

**CHURCH PICNIC** – **Wednesday, October 25th, 4:30pm** – Bayshore Live Oak Park, Fireplace Picnic Pavilion, Charlotte Harbor.

**SHOEBOXES NEEDED** – To prepare for our annual holiday Shoebox Gifting outreach ministry, please bring in *empty* shoeboxes or plastic bins that others may use to fill with goodies for the children of Misión Peniel. Collection dates are **November 5th through December 17th.**

**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](mailto: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**

**October 1st thru October 8th**

<b><u>Sunday, October 1</u></b>	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
<b><u>Monday, October 2</u></b>	
11:00am	Fellowship Team
<b><u>Tuesday, October 3</u></b>	
10:00am	Women’s Bible Study at the Cuzners
<b><u>Wednesday, October 4</u></b>	
10:00am	Bible Study
<b><u>Thursday, October 5</u></b>	
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.
5:30pm	Praise Team
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b><u>Friday, October 6</u></b>	
5:00pm	Singles Ministry
<b><u>Sunday, October 8</u></b>	
10:00am	Worship
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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



**ECO**

A Covenant Order  
 of Evangelical  
 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*

**October 1, 2017**

**10:00am**

**PASTOR**  
**ASSISTANT PASTOR**  
**MUSIC DIRECTOR**  
**OFFICE MANAGER**  
**USHERS**

Rev. Steve Mock  
 Rev. Larry Yerger  
 Randall Curtis  
 Debbie Rostad  
 Jene Shafer, Diane Culver-Truby,  
 Jean LaMantia, Kay Callahan