
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *Flute Song* Esther Higgins**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Crown Him With Many Crowns* arr. Joel Raney
Chancel Choir***HYMN #3** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord, we live in a world that is increasingly rude. Authority is questioned, laws ignored and parents dishonored. It seems like our world is increasingly becoming uncivil. We must confess that we, too, fall victim of these attitudes at times. We demand our rights and put our desires before respect. Please forgive us and help us to follow Jesus' example of humility and grace. *(Silent Confession)*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE***GLORIA PATRI #813*****AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**From the Theological Declaration of Barmen from the *Book of Confessions* of ECO

We confess...Jesus Christ...is the one Word of God, which we have to hear, and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death...as Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is He also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through Him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to His creatures. Amen.

ANTHEM *Spirit of Comfort, Spirit of Hope* Angerman/Nolan
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER****RESPONSE** *All Our Cares* R. P. Curtis**OFFERTORY** *Pastorale* Giuseppe Sammartini***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Loving God, we present our offerings and ourselves to You this morning as an expression of our love and commitment to Your church. We dedicate them with the desire that they empower Your church to continue the work of building Your kingdom in Jesus' name. We pray in His name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Jonah 4**MESSAGE** *Jonah: A Tale of Sin and Grace* Pastor Steve Mock
*Chapter 4****HYMN #459** *We Remember You***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 #604** *I Then Shall Live*BENEDICTION*****RESPONSE** *Threefold Amen* R. P. Curtis

*Please stand, if able

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

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9:00am New Beginnings Service

GATHERING SONG *Great and Mighty Is He****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *Shout to the North*
Shine, Jesus Shine
*Jesus, Draw Me Close***PRAYER****OFFERING** *Holy Ground***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Amazing Grace,*
His Chains are Gone
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Jonah 4**MESSAGE** *Jonah: A Tale of Sin and Grace* Pastor Steve Mock
*Chapter 4***SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*****CLOSING SONG** *Surely the Presence*

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 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 Bonnie Brown whose father went home to the Lord on September 12th, 2015.

Those with Special NeedsJerry & Nancy Julius Rev. Larry Yerger
Helmut Ehrhardt Fred Tabert
Kay Callahan Paul & Arlene Gebel
Ella Sifferd Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore Rob Taylor & family
Joan Milligan 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.*

Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30am service***CELL PHONES*** – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.***FLOWERS*** – The flowers are given this morning by Steve & Joanie Mock in loving memory of Steve's mom, M. Jeanne Mock.***OCTOBER NEWSLETTER*** is available on the handout table and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES*****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.***SMALL GROUPS – SIGN UP TODAY FOR SMALL GROUPS.*** Gatherings start this month, meeting monthly. Pastor Larry is preparing devotionals highlighting the holidays and how they relate to God's church. Please sign up on the sheet in the church entrance. Questions? Call Georgia Cherny at 575-2186.***WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK!!!*** Starting on **Wednesday, October 14th**, and continuing through Wednesday, November 11th, we will again have Wonderful Wednesday Bible Studies. All studies begin at 6pm at FPC with dessert and fellowship and will be about one hour in length, finishing around 7:30pm. We are offering three choices to enrich your faith. Each study includes video and discussion.

- ***If You Want to Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat***, led by Pastor Larry Yerger.
- ***How to Become a Contagious Christian***, led by Pastor Steve Mock
- ***Everything Is Possible with God***, led by Elder Sharon Cuzner

To participate, choose a study and signup in the church entrance.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets **THIS Tuesday, October 6th**. We continue with the study of Luke - *Living with Passion & Purpose* by Elizabeth George, taken from her *A Woman After God's Own Heart* series. The study meets at the home of Robert and Sharon Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, Punta Gorda Isles, and begins at 10am. The study is about 1½ hours long with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women of the church are welcome.***BIBLE STUDY AT FPCPG*** – Pastor Larry is leading an intensive study on the Book of Ezekiel **Wednesday mornings at 10am**. The study is open to everyone.***RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY*** – We will collect rice & pinto beans for Misión Peniel **next Sunday, October 11th**. Please place your items in the tall container in the church entrance.***FPC's 120th ANNIVERSARY*** – Our church celebrates its 120th anniversary this October. Join us in worship on **Sunday, October 18th**, to commemorate this milestone in our history. A luncheon will be served following the second service.***LOOK!*** – Another opportunity to serve. We need leaders for our Small Group Ministry. The next series of Small Groups meets once a month from October through January. Sign up to be a leader in the church entrance or call Georgia Cherny. Don't let this pass you by – step out of the boat!***THANKSGIVING GIFTING*** – Donations for Charlotte County families will begin October 18th and continue through November 22nd. Special envelopes are in the church entrance or you can use a pew envelope.***NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR*** – On **Friday, October 16th**, 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, October 23rd**, for our next 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.***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 use the sign up sheet in the church entryway.

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. To donate, please make checks payable to the 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.**

PRAYER EMAIL LIST – If you would like to be on Pastor Steve’s prayer email list, please email Pastor Steve at steve@fpcpunta.org.

OUR DAILY BREAD – This booklet of daily devotionals is on the back table in the Sanctuary.

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

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 gain access to this page, please email Randy. Live streaming of services is available on our website homepage (www.fpcpunta.org) by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE.

TREASURES TABLE – Visit the Presbyterian Women’s Priceless Treasures table in the 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. 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.

SERMON NOTES

Jonah 4 (NIV)

¹But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the Lord, “Isn’t this what I said, Lord, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. ³Now, Lord, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴But the Lord replied, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵Jonah had gone out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. ⁶Then the Lord God provided a leafy plant and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the plant. ⁷But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the plant so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah’s head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, and said, “It would be better for me to die than to live.” ⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?” “It is,” he said. “And I’m so angry I wish I were dead.” ¹⁰But the Lord said, “You have been concerned about this plant, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. ¹¹And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?”

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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

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK October 4th thru October 11th

<u>Sunday, October 4</u> 6:00pm	World Communion Sunday Prayer Meeting
<u>Monday, October 5</u> 3:30pm	Worship Team
<u>Tuesday, October 6</u> 10:00am	Women’s Bible Study at Cuzners’
<u>Wednesday, October 7</u> 10:00am	Bible Study
<u>Thursday, October 8</u> 5:30pm 7:00pm	Praise Team Choir Rehearsal
<u>Sunday, October 11</u> 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	New Beginnings Worship Traditional Worship Prayer Meeting

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October 4, 2015

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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