

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *I Love to Tell the Story* arr. Lucy Ann Warren

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN #1** *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC *Surely the Presence* Lanny Wolfe
Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING *Faith* *F. Mendelssohn*

***RESPONSE #815** *Doxology*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

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.

***PRAISE SONG #542** *My Life Is in You, Lord*

SCRIPTURE Luke 11:1-13

MESSAGE *Person of Prayer* Pastor Steve Mock

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

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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.
- 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.

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 Phyllis Richardson in honor of Ed's birthday on October 9th and their 10th wedding anniversary on October 7th.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

ROSE - The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Shelbi Kathryn Bright, 20th great-grandchild of Dianne Sizemore. Shelbi was born October 2nd to Amanda and Frank.

RETURN TO TWO SERVICES OCTOBER 22 – On October 22th, we will return to two services, the New Beginnings Praise Service at 9am and the Traditional Service at 10:30am.

Please mark your calendars.

TODAY IS RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY – Thank you for helping feed the migrant workers in Immokalee.

THANKSGIVING GIFTING – Donations for Charlotte County families **begin TODAY and continue through November 19th**. Special envelopes are included in the bulletin today.

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.

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.

DEACON'S FUND – NEXT **Sunday, October 15th**, is our monthly collection to help support congregation and emergency needs, Misión Peniel, and others.

SINGLES MINISTRY – Please sign up in the church foyer for this “Sociable Singles” event: **Friday, October 20th, 12:00pm** at the Elks Club, Punta Gorda. No carpool.

CHURCH PICNIC – **Wednesday, October 25th, 4:30 – 8:00pm** – **Port Charlotte Beach Park**, Harbor Blvd. Fried Chicken will be provided. Bring a dish to pass, beverage, and place service. There will be games! Please sign up in the church foyer.

FELLOWSHIP EXCURSION – **Thursday, November 2nd, 9am – 4:30pm** – Florida Railroad Museum and Gamble Plantation Historic Park. Please see information on the sign-up table.

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**.

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. If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to the church and on the memo line write “Stone Family” (Guatemala) or “Lisa Alfonsi” (Peru).

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

October 8th thru October 15th

<u>Sunday, October 8</u>	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
<u>Monday, October 9</u>	
3:30pm	Worship Team
<u>Tuesday, October 10</u>	
10:00am	Game Morning
1:30pm	Mission Team
<u>Wednesday, October 11</u>	
10:00am	Bible Study
<u>Thursday, October 12</u>	
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<u>Sunday, October 15</u>	
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

October 8, 2017

10:00am

PASTOR

Rev. Steve Mock

ASSISTANT PASTOR

Rev. Larry Yerger

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Randall Curtis

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Debbie Rostad

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Jene Shafer, Jean LaMantia,
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