

10:00am Worship Service

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRAISE SONGS

*The River is Here
I Stand in Awe*

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN #575

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

Lamb of God Twila Paris
Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

Larghetto Amoroso Daniel G. Turk

*RESPONSE #815

Doxology

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

O gracious Lord, Your generosity knows no limits. You bless us with more than we need. Thank You for Your love and care – for Your provision and blessings – for Your promises and faithfulness. We dedicate our tithes and offerings to You and ask that they be used to bring glory to You and blessings to others. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*PRAISE SONG #107

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (Repeat)

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 4:17-22

MESSAGE

Fishers of Men and Women Pastor Steve Mock

*HYMN #436

Freely, Freely

*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 recent hurricanes.

Those Who Grieve

Pray for Rachel Pfaender and family, whose sister Betty went home to the Lord on October 9th.

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, *The Palms of Punta Gorda* Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*
Lorraine Sisson, *Saginaw, MI* Mae Snyder, *Port Charlotte Rehab*
Doris Henning, *Sandhill Gardens*

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 are given by Bonnie Brown, remembering her husband Robert H.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

ROSE - The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Lilia Elisabeth Rostad, 2nd granddaughter of Debbie and Pete Rostad. Lilia was born October 6th to Erik and Stephanie.

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

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

THANKSGIVING GIFTING – Donations for Charlotte County families **continue through November 19th**. Special envelopes can be found on the table in the church foyer.

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 – **Tomorrow, October 16th.**

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY This Tuesday, **October 17th, at 10am**. Our study is "*The Armor of God*" by Patricia Shirer. We meet at the home of Sharon and Robert Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, PGI. 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 Out Someplace) & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. (Joyful Understanding Ladies Inconspicuously Eating Together Someplace)** - will meet at SkyView Café at the Punta Gorda Airport **THIS Thursday, October 19th at 8:00am.**

SINGLES MINISTRY — **THIS Friday, October 20th, 12:00pm** at the Elks Club. No carpool.

CHURCH PICNIC — **Wednesday, October 25th, 4:30 – 8:00pm** — **Port Charlotte Beach Park**, Harbor Blvd. *All members and visitors are welcome.* 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 — 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 **Nov. 5th - Dec. 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.

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

October 15th thru October 22nd

Sunday, October 15	
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday, October 16	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
1:00pm	Session
Tuesday, October 17	
10:00am	Women’s Bible Study at the Cuzners
Wednesday, October 18	
10:00am	Bible Study
Thursday, October 19	
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S. at SkyView Café
Friday, October 20	
12:00pm	Singles Ministry Lunch
Sunday, October 22	
9:00am	<i>New Beginnings</i> Worship
10:30am	Traditional Worship
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting

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



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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 15, 2017

10:00am

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