
10:30am Worship Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**PRELUDE** *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* arr. Albin Whitworth**CALL TO WORSHIP****INTROIT** *Wonderful Words of Life* Philip P. Bliss
Chancel Choir***HYMN #38** *Ye Servants of God***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Wondrous and generous God, You have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets and sun-warmed days. You bless us with loving families, kind friends and a caring church. Let us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility. We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive. Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-handed, when we don't let Your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world. Release us, Holy One, from fear, and create a contagious spirit of giving that touches the world with hope. *(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 *We See Christ* Joel Raney
Chancel Choir**PASTORAL PRAYER** – International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**RESPONSE** *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* Pollard/Stebbins**OFFERTORY** *Cantabile* Beethoven***DOXOLOGY #815*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Generous God, we dedicate our offering to the work and ministries of Your church. We also dedicate our commitment to Your church in the coming year with our pledges of support. Please multiply our commitments so that we can continue to build Your kingdom of love in Punta Gorda and beyond. We dedicate them in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11:23-28**MESSAGE** *By Faith – Moses* Pastor Steve Mock***HYMN #669** *Make Me a Servant****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.

Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30am service

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504000476

9:00am New Beginnings Service

OPENING SONG *Here I Am****PRAISING GOD IN SONG** *My Life Is in You Lord
The Heart of Worship
Lord, You Have My Heart***PRAYER****OFFERING** *Trust in the Lord***SPECIAL MUSIC** *Drink From the Living Water*
New Beginnings Praise Team**SCRIPTURE** Hebrews 11:23-28**MESSAGE** *By Faith – Moses* Pastor Steve Mock***CLOSING SONG** *He Is Good*

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 Rob and Jennifer Taylor, missionaries, that we support.

Those who Grieve

- Pray for the family of Vern Wilson who went home to the Lord on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2016.

Those with Special Needs

Jerry Julius	Rev. Larry Yerger
Kay Callahan	Helen Anderson
Ella Sifferd	Carol Foster
Dianne Sizemore	Nancy Beasom
Cara Gebel	Cara Coletti
Mae Snyder	Donna Peterson
Ken Haun	Anna Belle DeBlauw
Phyllis Ehrhardt	Joan Pfeiffer

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>	John Milligan, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>
Doris Henning, <i>Sandhill Gardens</i>	

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

CELL PHONES – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.**FLOWERS** – The flowers this morning are given by Laurel Aumend in memory of her mother, Doris Aumend.**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER** is available in the church foyer and on our website.**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES****THANKSGIVING GIFTING** – Donations for Charlotte County families are collected through today. Special envelopes are available on the table in the foyer or you may use a pew envelope.**TODAY IS RICE & PINTO BEANS SUNDAY** – Thank you for helping feed the migrant workers in Immokalee.**2017 PLEDGE DEDICATION SUNDAY** – Today, we offer our 2017 pledges to God in thanksgiving for His many blessings. Let's respond to God's generosity with generous giving to His church. Extra pledge cards and narrative budgets are on the table in the back of the sanctuary.**A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** follows the service today to elect new elders and a nominating committee for 2017. Please plan on attending.**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.**PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING** – If you like to knit or crochet, please gather with us in Fellowship Hall Monday, November 14th at 10am.**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets THIS Tuesday, November 15th at 10am. Our study is "Glory Days – Living Your Promised Land Life Now" by Max Lucado, helping us to understand that we were made for more – we were made for *Glory Days*. We meet at the home of Sharon and Robert Cuzner, 2615 Rio Grande Drive, Punta Gorda Isles. The study is about one and a half hours long with time for fellowship and refreshments. All women are invited.**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – Pastor Larry leads a Bible Study on the book of James on Wednesday mornings at 10am at the church. All are welcome and we urge you to join in learning about God's Word and how it applies to our lives today.**POTLUCK DINNER AND A MOVIE** will be held THIS Wednesday, November 16th, at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall. The movie is "The Hiding Place", a 1975 film based on the book written by Corrie ten Boom. Please sign up in the church foyer and share the following (last names beginning with):

(A-H) Salad or Vegetable (I-O) Dessert (P-Z) Meat

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, November 17th at 8:00am. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.**DEACON'S FUND** – NEXT Sunday, November 20th, is our monthly collection to help support congregation and emergency needs, Misión Peniel, and others.**SIGN UP TO HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH** - On Friday, November 25th at 10:00am we assemble the decorations and set up the Christmas trees. On Saturday, November 26th at 10:00am we will decorate the church for the Christmas season. There will be coffee & donuts on Friday. For Saturday's lunch, please bring sandwiches to share. Sign up in the church foyer and join the fun!!!**SAVE THE DATE** - On Saturday, December 3rd, at 5:30pm we will have our Christmas Gathering Dinner. Watch for more details.**SHOEBOX GIFTING FOR MISIÓN PENIEL** – Fill a shoebox for the children at Misión Peniel. The shoeboxes will be collected until Sunday, December 18th. A list of suggested items is in the church foyer. Mark the box "boy" or "girl" and the age on it. **Do not wrap it**, as we will add items to each box.**HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL** – Our next mission trip to Immokalee is Friday, December 23rd. We carpool from the church at 12:15pm. Call Dianne Sizemore or the church to volunteer. Place donations of **gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts** in the wicker basket in the church foyer.**TREASURES TABLE** – The Presbyterian Women need seasonal donations for the Treasures Table in Fellowship Hall. Please bring items before the end of November to make this a cheerful time of giving. Proceeds go to Outreach projects.**SINGLES MINISTRY** – We are considering starting a Singles Ministry here at the

church and would like to know how many of our singles might be interested in participating. Please indicate your interest on the sheet in the church foyer.

EXCURSION SURVEY – Your Fellowship Team is considering an excursion to “Lions, Tigers & Bears” in Arcadia in January. The time is 4-7pm and the cost is \$25, which includes watching the animals at feeding time and a Safari Dinner on the Terrace. Please indicate your interest on the sheet in the church foyer.

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? Or deliver a meal that someone else has fixed? If so, please call the church office to volunteer.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MINISTRY – Our RED “Welcome Bags” are in the church foyer waiting for you to deliver to a new neighbor in your neighborhood.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY – AMI KIDS 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.”

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.**

FURRY FRIENDS – Our furry friends need your help! In the church foyer there is a green tub where you can put dog and cat food, animal toys and gently used blankets and towels. For questions, ask Randy or Diane Curtis.

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.

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 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 \$37.50**. 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 WEEK

November 13th thru November 20th

Sunday, November 13	DEDICATION SUNDAY
11:30am	Congregational Meeting
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday, November 14	Newsletter Deadline
10:00am	Fellowship Team
10:00am	Prayer Shawl Gathering
Tuesday, November 15	
10:00am	Women’s Bible Study at Cuzners
Wednesday, November 16	
10:00am	Bible Study
5:30pm	Potluck Dinner and Movie
Thursday, November 17	
8:00am	R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.
5:30pm	Praise Team
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, November 20	Christ the King Sunday
9:00am	New Beginnings Worship
10:30am	Traditional Worship
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting

SERMON NOTES

Hebrews 11:23-28 (NIV)

²³By faith Moses’ parents hid him for three months after he was born, because they saw he was no ordinary child, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh’s daughter. ²⁵He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king’s anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and the application of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel.

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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

November 13, 2016

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.

PASTOR	Rev. Steve Mock
ASSISTANT PASTOR	Rev. Larry Yerger
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Randall Curtis
OFFICE MANAGER	Debbie Rostad
LITURGIST	Georgia Cherny
USHERS	Kay Callahan, Jean LaMantia, Sharon Russell, Nancy Murphy