WORSHIP SERVICE

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Gospel Music

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT

PRELUDE Abide With Me

Stanley E. Saxton

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP #523 (from Isaiah 1:18; 1 John 1:7-9, NKJV) Forgiveness

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN #790 We Gather Together

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

OFFERTORY

Tranquil Moment

Louis Lefébure-Wély

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thanks be to You, O God, for all good gifts, and especially for Your inexpressible gift of the Lord Jesus. Help us, O Lord, to see how we have been blessed and use our offering as a blessing to others. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN #712 Be Still, My Soul

SCRIPTURE Luke 7:36-50

MESSAGE Forgiveness Pastor Barksdale Pullen

*HYMN #572 Blessed Assurance

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #426 Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 3)

POSTLUDE Chorus in C Minor G. F. Broadhead

*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth CCLI #1140231 CVLI #505465757

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer Focus

- Pray for those who serve in the military and their families.
- Pray for First Responders and Healthcare Workers.
- Pray for our church as we seek to be a flourishing church that makes disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for Lisa and Clever Alfonsi, Eric and Debbie Stone, Chasen and Katie Brokaw; missionaries we support in Peru, Guatemala, and Nicaragua.
- Pray for Crossroads Hope Academy, the mission for foster boys in Punta Gorda.
- Pray for Jesus Loves You Ministry for the homeless in Charlotte County.
- Pray for Misión Peniel, the mission that we support in Immokalee.
- Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.

Those who Grieve

Pray for Sandy Fisher and family. Dick went home to the Lord on August 2nd. A Memorial Service was held in New York.

Those with Special Needs

Rachel Pfaender Phyllis Ehrhardt Rick Berner Lynn Lang Ron Sixt Dave Sifferd

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes -- Marion Brown - Life Care, Punta Gorda

NOTES

FLOWERS – The flowers are given by Barbara Floyd in celebration of her August birthday.

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

SUMMER NEWSLETTER – Available in the church foyer and on our website.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES – Available in the church office.

FLOWERS – May be sponsored for \$37.50. To make a donation, sign up in the church foyer, listing the flowers in honor and/or in memory of something or someone.

 $\ensuremath{\textit{BULLETIN BOARD}}$ – Check out notes and messages of interest in the church foyer.

PRAYER EMAIL LIST – If you would like to be on Pastor Barksdale's prayer email list, email Pastor Barksdale at bmpullen3@fpcpunta.org.

 $\it OUR\ DAILY\ BREAD$ – These daily devotionals are on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

STREAMING MINISTRY – Live stream our services on our website homepage (fpcpunta.org) by clicking the logo *vimeo livestream*.

FELLOWSHIP TIME – Following the Worship Service, join us in Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and refreshments. You may bring cookies / treats to share!

GATHER FOR PRAYER – <u>A prayer meeting is held Sundays at 6pm</u> online. Please submit any prayer requests to <u>first@fpcpunta.org</u>.

DISASTER RELIEF SUPPORT – Our trusted partners at World Renew are ECO's go-to resource for long-term disaster relief. https://worldrenew.net/disaster-response-services

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE – Sign up in the church foyer to help with our Memorial Service receptions – food prep, greeters, or servers. Thanks!

DONUTS & DOCTRINE – Wednesday, August 21st at 10:00am – Join us on Wednesday mornings for Donuts & Doctrine as we study I and II Peter. *All are welcome!*

THE CHOSEN SEASON 4 – Wednesday, August 28th. Dinner will be served at 5:00pm, followed by the <u>fifth</u> episode of The Chosen Series - Season 4. Sign up in the church foyer.

MISIÓN PENIEL – Our next trip to Immokalee is Friday, August 30th – we will help at the Mission in the morning. Please meet at the church at 9:15am. Sign up in the church foyer.

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH - Friday, September 6th, 12:00pm - Sign up for Skillets Restaurant in P. C.

KITCHEN CLEANING – Saturday, September 7th, 9:00am – Sign up to help get our kitchen ready for Fall!

SERMON ON THE SAND – Sunday, September 15th at 8:00am. This is held every Sunday from 8:00-8:30am at Fishermen's Village. Pastor Barksdale delivers the Message on September 15th.

MISSIONS SUPPORT – If you would like to donate to the missionaries and organizations that we are supporting in 2024 in our church budget, please make checks payable to FPC and on the memo line write the name of the mission.

Antioch Partners – Stone Family (Guatemala) or Lisa Alfonsi (Peru)

Crossroads Hope Academy (Punta Gorda)

Jesus Loves You Ministry (Port Charlotte)

Missionary Ventures (Chasen

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Stand In The Gap Fund - (supports missionaries and ministries with unexpected financial burdens)

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK – AUGUST 18 – AUGUST 25

Sunday, August 18
10:30am
Worship Service (Also Online)
11:30am
6:00pm
Fellowship Time
Prayer Meeting (Online)

Monday, August 19

2:00pm Session

Wednesday, August 21

10:00am Donuts & Doctrine

10:00am Jesus Loves You Shower Ministry

Thursday, August 22

10:00am Game Fellowship

Sunday, August 25

10:15am Hymn Sing

10:30am Worship Service (Also Online)

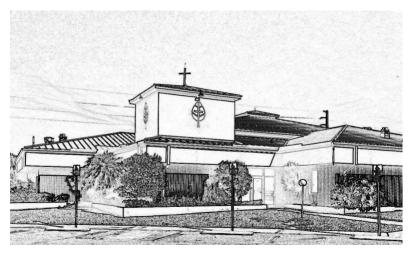
11:30am Fellowship Time

6:00pm Prayer Meeting (Online)

Comparative Financial Operations / Performance

	<u>July 2024</u>	<u>rear-to-Date</u>
Tithes & Offerings	\$15,693.46	\$178,347.66
Cash Expenditures	\$19,368.55	\$156,728.72
Net	\$ (3,675.09)	\$21,618.94





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

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 guest and friend, and that you have chosen to hear God's call with this congregation.

August 18, 2024

10:30am

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