Order of Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE O Worship the King arr. Mark Albrecht

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT Christ, We Do All Adore Thee Theodore Dubois

Chancel Choir

The Solid Rock *HYMN #526

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our gracious and patient God, we confess that we too often allow our fears to determine what we do and say. We fail to trust Your promises or believe in Your power. We forget that You are greater than any of our fears or problems. Please forgive our lack of faith and remind us that there is nothing in this world that we need to fear for You are always with us. (Silent Confession)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GLORIA PATRI #813

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Taken from the Nicene Creed (Unison)

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. Amen.

I Love You, Lord

ANTHEM

RESPONSE

Chancel Choir PASTORAL PRAYER

Hear Our Prayer, O Heavenly Father attr. Frederic Chopin

Klein / Schrader

OFFERTORY Piéce grègorien Eugene Gigout

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord God, who has given to us so many gifts, Your generosity is sometimes even more than we can comprehend. We praise You for all Your loving gifts. Now we bring to You our gifts and our lives, dedicating them to You for service and ministry. May all that we do show to the world Your great love for all humankind. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #788 Now Thank We All Our God

SCRIPTURE John 2:1-12

MESSAGE Signs and Wonders Pastor Barksdale Pullen *HYMN #56 *To God Be the Glory*

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE Hold Us Ever in Your Keeping Gary Matheny

*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 service CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504195118

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 to be a flourishing church that makes disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for Lisa Alfonsi and Eric Stone & family, missionaries that we support.
- Pray for Misión Peniel, the mission that we support in Immokalee.
- Pray for Crossroads Hope Academy, the mission for foster boys in PG.

Those with Special Needs

Rachel Pfaender Kay Callahan Ella Sifferd Nancy Beasom Dianne Sizemore Larrie Tisdale Jean Cleffi Irene Csontos

David Richards

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Glee Miller, Sandhill Gardens Marion Brown, Royal Palm

Jean Hinman, The Palms of Punta Gorda

Please keep the office updated concerning your requests

CELL PHONES – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices. FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER – Available in the church foyer and on our website. **PICTURE DIRECTORIES** – Available in the church foyer.

FLOWERS - The flowers are given by Marguerite O'Brien in memory of her husband, John J. O'Brien.

ROSE – The rose on the organ is in celebration of the birth of Esther Louise Blomberg, great granddaughter of Larry and Sue Mesler. Esther was born on January 29th to Annelise and Niklas Blomberg of Andover, Massachusetts.

CONNECT WITH OUR CHURCH

GATHER FOR PRAYER – 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.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS - Sunday, February 23rd from 3:00pm - 5:00pm Pastor Barksdale Pullen will hold C.L.A.S.S. 101, Becoming a Covenant Partner. Anyone interested in becoming a member/covenant partner of First Presbyterian Church is invited to attend this seminar. Please sign up in the church foyer.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING - TODAY, following the service. *Annual Reports are available on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.*

PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING – If you like to knit or crochet, please gather with us in Fellowship Hall Monday, February 10th at 10am.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Monday, February 10th for the March Newsletter. WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY - This Bible Study meets this Wednesday, February 12th at 10:00am and will be led by Pastor Barksdale. We are beginning a new study on the book of Jonah.... All are welcome!

TURKEY & NOODLES DINNER AND A MOVIE - Wednesday, February 12th at 5:30pm – Come join us for a Turkey & Noodles Dinner by Chef Gail Thornton in Fellowship Hall. The movie is *The Peanuts Movie*. Suggested donation is \$5.00. Sign up in the church foyer.

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, February 13th at 8:00am. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

THE SECOND CUP (of coffee) - You're invited to be part of a Bible study discussion group this Thursday, February 13th at 9:15am in the Conference Room. Dave Sifferd leads this study, using the NIV Bible as the textbook. Bring a friend and join us on Thursday morning for a Second Cup.

GAME FELLOWSHIP - Join us on Thursdays from 10am to Noon in Fellowship Hall. Come to play or just to observe.

DEACON'S FUND - NEXT Sunday, February 16th, is our monthly collection to help support congregation and emergency needs, Misión Peniel, and others.

ANNUAL VALENTINE MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held NEXT Sunday, February 16th at 11:45am in our Lowell Kvam Memorial Garden.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Meets Tuesday, February 18th (Lesson 3) with a study called "Redeemed" by Dr. Sam Nadler. This study is based on the book of Ruth. We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 10:00am - 11:30am at the home of Kathy Belville, 6400 Taylor Rd #211 Eagle, Punta Gorda. Call Kathy at 508-733-0546 for more information and directions to her home. To carpool from the church, please meet by 9:45am. All women are invited to join us for study, fellowship and refreshments.

SOCIABLE SINGLES - Sign up for this lunch in the church foyer: Friday, February 21st, 12:00pm at Pioneer Pizza, Port Charlotte

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.

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

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

THE FELLOWSHIP TEAM requests your comments and suggestions for our activities. An "idea box" is in the church foyer.

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.

CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

VETERANS VILLAGE IN PUNTA GORDA - The Veterans hold Flea Markets on Saturdays. Volunteers are needed to help between 9:00-12:30 or 12:30-4:00. If you would like to reach out to our community, this is an easy way and a big help to raise money for the needs of veterans who are trying to better their lives. Please call Gail at 941-916-1726 or at the church office for more information and to volunteer.

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

CONCERT SERIES - NEXT Sunday, February 16th at 3:00pm - The Isaac Mingus Trio joins us for our third concert of our new Annual Concert Series program. A free will offering will be taken – suggested donation is \$10.00. Season brochures are in the church foyer.

BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERING MARCH 1ST - Your donations on Sunday, March 1st, will help provide blankets for warmth for victims of disasters and communities worldwide through Church World Service. Make a gift of love that will keep on giving throughout the year.

NEIGHBORHOOD WELCOME MINISTRY – "Welcome Bags" are in the church foyer waiting for you to deliver to a new neighbor in your neighborhood.

CROSSROADS MINISTRY - If you would like to donate to the ministry of Crossroads Hope Academy, please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and on the memo line write "Crossroads."

ANOTHER WAY TO HELP CROSSROADS - When you place an order from Amazon, please consider going to https://smile.amazon.com and select Crossroads

Hope Academy as your charity. Crossroads earns a percentage of your purchase with no cost to you. Thank you!

SUPPORT THE "PUNTA GORDA VETERANS VILLAGE" ON TAYLOR ROAD Please place donated items in the green basket in the church foyer.

HELPING MISIÓN PENIEL - Place donations of gently used blankets, sheets, towels, long-sleeve t-shirts and regular shirts in the wicker basket in the church foyer to support our mission work at Misión Peniel.

PLEASE BRING IN FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY (AND PAPER PRODUCTS) -Let us see the blue food bin overflowing each week. Some suggestions: peanut butter, jelly, cereal and soup, paper towels and toilet paper.

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. Donations are sent to the Animal Shelter.

TREASURES TABLE – We are seeking donations of your "treasures" (no clothing, please) to add to the Treasures Table in Fellowship Hall. Also, please visit the table and if you find a "treasure" that you like, put a donation in the container. Proceeds are for outreach projects.

CONNECT WITH OUR WORLD

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).

STREAMING MINISTRY - Live streaming of services is available on our website homepage (www.fpcpunta.org) by clicking on the link: WATCH LIVE AND RECENT SERVICES HERE.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK February 9th thru February 16th

Sunday, February 9

11:30am **Annual Meeting** 6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Monday, February 10 **Newsletter Deadline**

> 10:00am Prayer Shawl 7:00pm Bion Cantorum

Tuesday, February 11

10:00am Mission Team

Wednesday, February 12

10:00am Bible Study

5:30pm Turkey & Noodle Dinner and Movie

Thursday, February 13

8:00am R.O.M.E.O.S. & J.U.L.I.E.T.S.

9:15am Second Cup 10:00am Game Fellowship 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 16

10:30am Worship Service

Valentine Memorial Service 11:45am Isaac Mingus Trio Concert 3:00pm

6:00pm

Prayer Meeting

SERMON NOTES

John 2:1-12 (ESV)

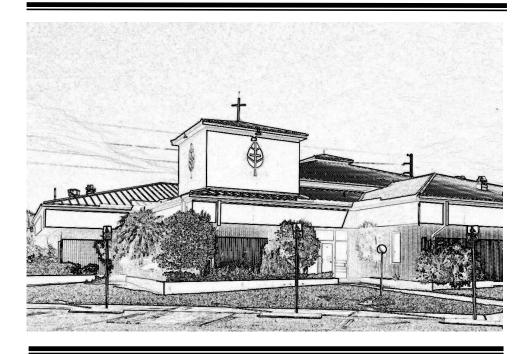
On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him. After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples, and they stayed there for a few days.

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February 9, 2020 10:30 am



This morning as we join in Worship our hope is that each of us will find renewed life, health, and strength in God. If you are living in the area, whether permanently or seasonally, or just passing through, we warmly welcome you, and are delighted that you have chosen to join with us in Worship of our Triune God. We would love to get to know you better, and invite you join us in the Fellowship Hall after the Service for a time of refreshments.

Welcome to First Pres – Punta Gorda, FL

PASTOR CHOIR DIRECTOR ORGANIST OFFICE MANAGER LITURGIST **USHERS**

Dr. Barksdale Pullen Joan Byron Stephanie Smith Debbie Rostad Dave Sifferd Jean LaMantia, Patti Nuznoff, Roy Belville, Charlie Costa

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