

WORSHIP SERVICE		
PRE-SERVICE MUSIC	<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	James McDuffy
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		
PRELUDE	<i>Thanksgiving Prayer</i>	Donald Lee Moore
CALL TO WORSHIP		
INTROIT	<i>Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving</i> Chancel Choir	Lloyd Larson
*HYMN #302		<i>Lamb of God</i>
*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.		
*GLORIA PATRI #813		
ANTHEM	<i>I Will Give Thanks</i> Chancel Choir	Robert C. Clatterbuck
PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER		
OFFERTORY	<i>I’ll Fly Away</i> James McDuffy, Soloist	
*DOXOLOGY		
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
*HYMN #563		<i>Open My Eyes That I May See</i>
SCRIPTURE		Luke 9:23-27
MESSAGE	<i>Discipleship</i>	Pastor Barksdale Pullen
*HYMN #38		<i>Ye Servants of God</i>
*BENEDICTION		
*RESPONSE #232		<i>God Be with You, vs. 1</i>
POSTLUDE	<i>Trumpet Tune in F</i>	David Lasky
*Please stand, if able		
Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth		
CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504324254		

MINISTRY OF PRAYER			
Prayer Focus			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">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 Alfonsi and Eric Stone family, missionaries we support in Peru and Guatemala.Pray for Crossroads, 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 Chasen and Katie Brokaw, missionaries we support in Nicaragua.Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.			
Those with Special Needs			
Rachel Pfaender	Kay Callahan	Phyllis Ehrhardt	Lynn Lang
Ella Sifferd	Ron Sixt	Rick Berner	
Irene Csontos	Barb Harris	Jack Rothley	
Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes			
Marion Brown, Royal Palm			

NOTES	
CELL PHONES – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.	
NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER – Available in the church foyer and on our website.	
CHURCH DIRECTORY – Available in the church office.	
FLOWERS – The flowers are given by Sharon Albright to the Glory of God	
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.	
BULLETIN BOARD – Check out notes and messages of interest on the Bulletin Board in the church lobby.	
PRAYER EMAIL LIST – If you would like to be on Pastor Barksdale’s prayer email list, 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.	
STREAMING MINISTRY – Live stream our services on our website homepage (fpcpunta.org) by clicking the logo <i>vimeo livestream</i> .	
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!	

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES	
GATHER FOR PRAYER – <u>A prayer meeting is held Sundays at 6pm online.</u> Please submit any prayer requests to first@fpcpunta.org .	
THANKSGIVING OFFERING – In partnership with St. Vincent de Paul, donations for Charlotte County families <i>will be collected through November 21st.</i> Special envelopes can be found on the table in the back of the sanctuary or in the church foyer. You may also use pew envelopes.	
TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM – This year our Missions Ministry Team is asking you to join us in support of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots program....the campaign that collects toys for needy children throughout America. Since 1947, Marines have fulfilled the dreams of millions of less fortunate children each Christmas. They do this by providing Christmas toys. A shiny new toy sends a message to a needy child that someone cares; that he/she hasn’t been forgotten; that the magic of Christmas hasn’t passed him or her by. <i>There is also a special need for gifts for teenagers.</i> You can help the Marines this year by dropping off a new, unwrapped toy in the church foyer through December 12th.	
PLEDGE DEDICATION SUNDAY – Today we offer our 2022 pledges to God in thanksgiving for His many blessings. Let’s respond to God’s generosity with generous giving to His church. <i>Narrative Budget Booklets and Pledge Cards are in the back of the sanctuary.</i>	
DEACON’S FUND OFFERING TODAY – Our monthly collection supports our efforts to help congregation needs, emergency needs, Misión Peniel Spanish devotionals, and others.	
DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS – Sign up in the church foyer to help decorate our church <i>This Saturday, November 27th, 10:00am.</i>	
SOCIABLE SINGLES – <i>Friday, December 3rd, 12:00pm</i> – Join us for lunch at the Nav-A-Gator Restaurant in Arcadia. Please sign up in the church foyer.	
CONCERT SERIES – <i>Sunday, December 5th, at 3:00pm</i> – Rachel Cox and Judy Kaff present <i>Holiday Magic</i> , celebrating the Christmas season. A free will offering will be taken – suggested donation is \$15.00. Cookies and Punch will be served following the concert. Season brochures are in the church foyer.	
CHRISTMAS POT LUCK DINNER – <i>Wednesday, December 8th at 5:00pm</i> – Turkey and Ham will be provided. Please sign up to bring a side dish or dessert.	
OPEN HOUSE AT THE PULLENS – <i>Sundays, December 12th and 19th</i> – Pastor Pullen and his wife Bo invite you to a Christmas Open House on December 12th or Dec 19th, from 1:30 - 3:30pm. This is a time to say thank you & Merry Christmas to the congregation of FPC, visit with one another, and enjoy some seasonal treats in a relaxed atmosphere. Pick the Sunday that works best for you and sign up in the church foyer or call Bo.	
INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? – Simply go to our website at fpcpunta.org and look under the <i>Home</i> tab. There you will find all the information about becoming a covenant partner at FPC.	
MISSIONS SUPPORT – If you would like to donate to the missionaries and organizations that we are supporting in 2021 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)
Misión Peniel (Immokalee)
Missionary Ventures (Chasen & Katie Brokaw – Nicaragua)

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

November 21st – November 28th

<u>Sunday, November 21</u> 6:00pm	Dedication Sunday Prayer Meeting (Online)
<u>Thursday, November 25</u>	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
<u>Saturday, November 27</u> 10:00am	Hanging of the Greens
<u>Sunday, November 28</u> 10:15am 10:30am 6:00pm	First Sunday in Advent Christmas Hymn Sing Worship Service (Also Online) Prayer Meeting (Online)

SERMON NOTES



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.

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November 21, 2021		10:30am
PASTOR		Dr. Barksdale Pullen
CHOIR DIRECTOR		Joan Byron
ORGANIST		Denny Ausman
OFFICE & WORSHIP ADMIN		Debbie Rostad
LITURGIST		Ernie Lehman
USHERS	Kathy Belville, Roy Belville, Gail Thornton, Carol Zutter	