

## WORSHIP SERVICE

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Prelude* Cesar Franck

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

\*HYMN #23 *The God of Abraham Praise*

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 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.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Gloria Patri*

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC *We Have This Moment, Today* Wm. J. Gaither

### OFFERING

*CASH & CHECKS - Offering plates are located in the back of the church. You are welcome to leave your tithe or offering there as you leave the building today or mail it directly to the church office: 25250 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33950.*

*GIVE ONLINE – Visit [www.fpcpunta.org/donate](http://www.fpcpunta.org/donate) for online options.*

SCRIPTURE *Galatians 4:1-7*

MESSAGE *Welcome to the Family* Pastor Barksdale Pullen

\*HYMN #3 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

### \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* George Blake

\*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth.

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504260177

### SERMON NOTES

## MINISTRY OF PRAYER

### *Prayer Focus*

- Pray for peace and healing for our nation at this time of unrest – pandemic and protests. Pray for our leaders that they would have wisdom to navigate all the issues facing our nation.
- 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 in Peru and Guatemala.
- Pray for Misión Peniel, the mission that we support in Immokalee.
- Pray for Crossroads, the mission for foster boys in Punta Gorda.
- Pray for the Veterans Village in Punta Gorda that we support.

### *Those Who Grieve*

Pray for Phyllis Ehrhardt and family, whose husband Helmut went home to the Lord on October 19th.

### *Those with Special Needs*

Rachel Pfaender	Kay Callahan
Ella Sifferd	Dianne Sizemore
Irene Csontos	Ron Sixt
Phyllis Ehrhardt	Barb Harris
Tom Kerr	

### *Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes*

Glee Miller, *Sandhill Gardens* Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*  
Jean Hinman, *The Palms of Punta Gorda*

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

**OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** – Available in the church foyer/website.

**FLOWERS** – The flowers are given by Kay Callahan in memory of her father Coue Keeney.

**ROSES** – The roses on the organ are in celebration of births of:

Fox Edison Duncan, 1st great-grandchild of Rex and Helen Anderson.

Fox was born August 20th to Cole and Nakeisha of Houston, Texas.  
Alexander Calihan Brokaw, 1st grandchild of Barksdale and Bo Pullen.

Alexander was born October 15th to Chasen and Katie, missionaries in Nicaragua.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**GATHER FOR PRAYER** – A prayer meeting is held Sundays at 6pm online. Please submit any prayer requests to [first@fpcpunta.org](mailto:first@fpcpunta.org).

**DONUTS & DOCTRINE - BIBLE STUDY** — Pastor Barksdale's Bible Study meets *this Wednesday October 28th at 10:00am* in Fellowship Hall (also online), studying the Book of Revelation. *All are welcome!*

**GO FISH!** — Join us *this Wednesday, October 28th, 4:30pm – 5:30pm*, for a video/discussion series by Andy Stanley, led by Pastor Pullen in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up in the church foyer.

**GAMES FELLOWSHIP** — *This Thursday, October 29th - 10:00am.*

**MISSIONS SUPPORT** — If you would like to donate to the missionaries and organizations we support, 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                      Misión Peniel

Veterans Village — Bin in Fellowship Hall for donated items

Furry Friends — Bin in Fellowship Hall for donated items

**PRAYER EMAIL LIST** — If you would like to be on Pastor Barksdale's prayer email list, email Pastor Barksdale at [bmpullen3@fpcpunta.org](mailto:bmpullen3@fpcpunta.org).

**STREAMING MINISTRY** — Live streaming of services is available on our website homepage ([www.fpcpunta.org](http://www.fpcpunta.org)) by clicking the logo *vimeo livestream* in the upper right corner.

**FLOWERS** — May be sponsored for **\$37.50** to honor a loved one. Sign up in the church foyer or call the church office.

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### EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK

October 25th thru November 1st

#### Sunday, October 25

6:00pm                      Prayer Meeting (Online)

#### Wednesday, October 28

10:00am                      Bible Study (Also Online)

4:30pm                      Go Fish! Study

#### Thursday, October 29

10:00am                      Game Fellowship

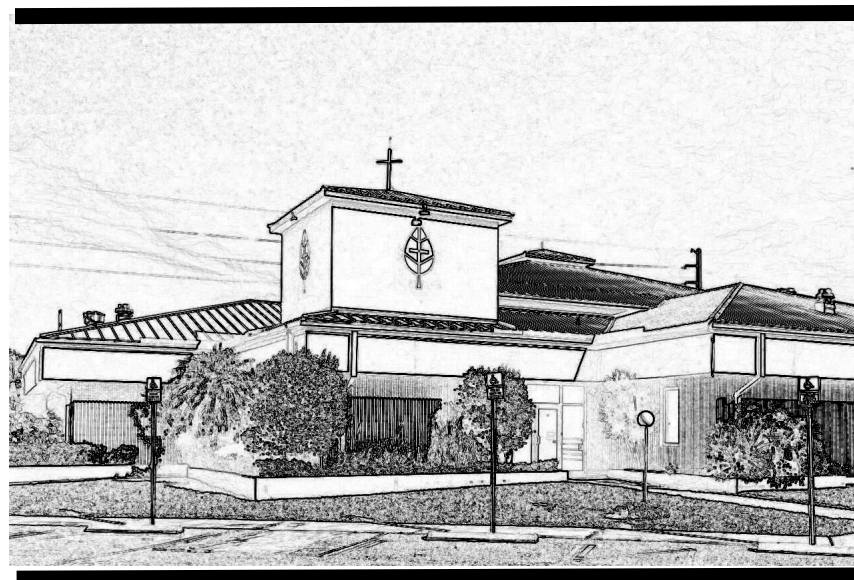
#### Sunday, November 1

10:30am                      Worship (Also Online)

6:00pm                      Prayer Meeting (Online)

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### *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.*

**October 25, 2020**

**10:30am**

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

Dr. Barksdale Pullen  
Joan Byron  
Denny Ausman  
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