

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDEMorning BellsLani Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN #589Here I Am, Lord

*OLD TESTAMENT READINGJeremiah 31:31-34

*GLORIA PATRI #813

*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

OFFERTORYTeach Me, Lord, to WaitStuart Hamblen

*DOXOLOGY #815

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #9Glorify Thy Name

SCRIPTURELuke 1:1-4

MESSAGEIntroduction to LukePastor Barksdale Pullen

*HYMN #444I Love to Tell the Story

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE #232God Be with You, vs. 1

POSTLUDEI Need Thee Every HourEdward Broughton

*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504324254

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 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

Jean Hinman, The Palms of Punta Gorda	Marion Brown, Royal Palm
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NOTES

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

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

CHURCH DIRECTORY – Available in the church office.

FLOWERS – The flowers today are given by Debbie Rostad to celebrate her Mom’s 95th birthday.

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](https://www.fpcpunta.org)) by clicking the logo *vimeo livestream*.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING – If you like to knit or crochet, please gather with us in Fellowship Hall **Monday, September 13th at 10am.**

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY – ***This Wednesday, September 15th at 10:00am*** – Our study is on the biblical books I and II Samuel. All are welcome (no sign up required).

WEDNESDAY EVENING SUPPER AND BIBLE STUDY – ***This Wednesday, September 15th from 5:00 – 7:00pm*** – Join us for supper followed by watching Season 2 of the series *The Chosen* with discussion afterwards. Sign up in the church foyer or email the church office. This week’s menu is Subs, Chips, Fruit and Dessert.

LUNCH & LEARN – ***This Wednesday, September 15th, 11:30am*** – Join us for a traditional Nicaraguan lunch and learn about the ministry of one of FPC’s supported missions – *Breaking Borders with Chasen and Katie Brokaw*. Please sign up in the church foyer.

SOCIABLE SINGLES – ***This Friday, September 17th, 12:00pm*** – Join us for lunch at *Red Lobster* in Port Charlotte. Please sign up in the church foyer.

ANNUAL ALZHEIMER’S WALK – FPC is sponsoring a team in the Annual Alzheimer’s Walk in downtown Punta Gorda. You can sign up to be part of the FPC team that walks, or you can be a financial sponsor of the team. Invite your friends and join us on ***Saturday morning October 2nd.*** Sign up in the church foyer as a walker or sponsor.

JOIN US FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD – as we celebrate the holiday season with Bill Johnson as Bob Hope and The Motown Girls singing your favorites of the 40’s, 50’s, and 60’s. This patriotic USO style tribute show will surely warm your hearts for the holidays and gain an appreciation for our troops abroad! The church has a limited number of seats, so sign up in the church foyer or email the church office.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP? – Simply go to our website at [fpcpunta.org](https://www.fpcpunta.org) and look under the *Home* 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

SERMON NOTES

September 12th - September 19th

<u>Sunday, September 12</u>	6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)
<u>Monday, September 13</u>	10:00am	Prayer Shawl Gathering
<u>Tuesday, September 14</u>	10:00am	Missions Team
<u>Wednesday, September 15</u>	10:00am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study
	11:30am	Lunch & Learn with the Brokaws
	5:00pm	Supper and Bible Study (The Chosen)
<u>Thursday, September 16</u>	10:00am	Game Fellowship
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
<u>Friday, September 17</u>	12:00pm	Sociable Singles at Red Lobster
<u>Sunday, September 19</u>	10:30am	Worship Service (Also Online)
	6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)



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.

September 12, 2021	10:30am
PASTOR	Dr. Barksdale Pullen
CHOIR DIRECTOR	Joan Byron
ORGANIST	Denny Ausman
OFFICE & WORSHIP ADMIN	Debbie Rostad
LITURGIST	Ernie Lehman
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