

Worship Service		
Pre-Service Music		Hymn Sing
Welcome/Announcements		
Prelude	Elegie	Jules Massenet, arr. C. Wilson
Responsive Call to Worship (based on Psalm 27; John 4:23)		
Leader: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.		
All: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.		
Leader: We desire to live in God’s house and to seek God in his holy temple.		
All: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.		
Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.		
All: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.		
Prayer of Adoration and Invocation		
*Hymn #571		Trust and Obey (vs. 1, 3, 5)
*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.		
*Congregational Response		Gloria Patri
Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer		
Offertory	There’s Something About That Name	Bill Gaither
	Gail Thornton, Soloist	
*Doxology #815		
Scripture		Matthew 25:14-30
Sermon	Parable of the Talents	Pastor Barksdale Pullen
*Hymn #92		O How I Love Jesus
*Benediction		
*Hymn #425		Bind Us Together
Postlude	Blessing and Honor	Carl Simone
*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 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 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

Ella Sifferd

Irene Csontos

Kay Callahan

Ron Sixt

Barb Harris

Phyllis Ehrhardt

Rick Berner

Jean Humphreys

Tom Kerr

Carol Kerr

Those who are in Assisted Living or Nursing Homes

Jean Hinman, The Palms of Punta Gorda

Marion Brown, Royal Palm

NOTES

CELL PHONES

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

JULY NEWSLETTER

– Available in the church foyer and on our website.

FLOWERS

– The flowers are given today 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 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](mailto:bmpullen3@fpcpunta.org).

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

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).

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## *MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES*

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**WEDNESDAY EVENING SUPPER AND BIBLE STUDY** – Join us on Wednesday evenings at **5:00pm** for supper - the menu for July 28th is a Potluck. Following supper, at 5:45pm, we will watch the video series *The Chosen* with discussion from 6:30–7:00pm. Sign up in the church foyer to attend and to list your food item.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE / CELEBRATION OF LIFE** – for former member, Cyril C. Ling, will be held at **1:00pm on Friday, July 30th**, at Burnt Store Presbyterian Church, 11330 Burnt Store Road, Punta Gorda.

**SOCIABLE SINGLES – FRIDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 12:00PM** – Join us for lunch at Donato's in Port Charlotte. Please sign up in the church foyer.

**JESUS LOVES YOU MINISTRY** – Our Missions group is taking donations of socks and underwear to be given to Jesus Loves You Ministry, for the homeless of Charlotte County, from **August 8th through August 22nd**. Sizes for men's boxers or briefs are medium/large. Women's sizes are 5 to 7. \$\$ donations will also be taken to purchase these items. Please make checks payable to FPC and list "socks" in the Memo line. *Thank you for your help in supporting this mission to the less fortunate of our community.*

**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)

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## *EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK – JULY 25 – AUGUST 1*

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### Sunday, July 25

10:15am	Hymn Sing
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)

### Wednesday, July 28

5:00pm	Supper and Bible Study
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### Thursday, July 29

10:00am	Game Fellowship
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### Sunday, August 1

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.*

**July 25, 2021**

**10:30am**

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

**Dr. Barksdale Pullen**  
**Joan Byron**  
**Denny Ausman**  
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**Sam Cessna**

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