

WORSHIP SERVICE		
PRE-SERVICE MUSIC		Classical Music
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
PRELUDE	<i>I Love To Tell The Story</i>	Hankey/Fischer
CALL TO WORSHIP		
PRAYER OF INVOCATION		
*HYMN #90		<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>
CONFESSION OF SIN		
Father in heaven, have mercy on us. We are sinful, prideful, selfish people. We spend so much time looking out for ourselves, trampling on the people closest to us as a result. We have broken our relationships with friends, with our children, with our spouses. Oh, how desperately we need a Savior! Break our hearts and teach them how to love again. Help us not to fear love, but to love courageously. Forgive us for failing. Thank You for picking us up and restoring us. We trust You and love You. In Your holy name, Amen. <i>(Silent Confession)</i>		
WORDS OF ASSURANCE		
*GLORIA PATRI		
PASTORAL PRAYER		
OFFERTORY - **	<i>Think About His Love</i>	Walt Harrah
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
Our gracious Lord, we stand before You as a living offering. You shower us with blessings, all free and totally undeserved. Bless us and use us as instruments for Your will. Bless, too, these financial gifts to Your holy purpose. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.		
*HYMN #589		<i>Here I Am, Lord</i>
SCRIPTURE		2 John 1-6
MESSAGE	<i>Walking in Truth and Love</i>	Pastor Barksdale Pullen
*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.		
COMMUNION AND HYMN		
PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER <i>(debts/debtors)</i>		
*HYMN #634		<i>More Love To Thee</i>
*BENEDICTION		
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #508		
POSTLUDE	<i>How Majestic is Thy Name</i>	<i>Love Lifted Me (Refrain)</i> Franklin Ritter
*Please stand, if able		
**You may give securely online at www.fpcpunta.org		
Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth		
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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 and Clever Alfonsi, Eric and Debbie Stone, and Chasen and Katie Brokaw, missionaries we support in Peru, Guatemala, and Nicaragua. - Pray for Crossroads Hope Academy, the mission for foster boys in Punta Gorda. - Pray for Ground Up Ministries, a ministry for human trafficking in Florida. - Pray for Jesus Loves You Ministry for the homeless in Charlotte County. - Pray for Misi3n Peniel, the mission that we support in Immokalee. - Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.		
Those with Special Needs -- Phyllis Ehrhardt Rick Berner Lynn Lang Dave Sifferd Minty Ausman		
Notes		
Prayer Email List – If you would like to be on Pastor Barksdale’s prayer email list, email Pastor Barksdale at bmpullen3@fpcpunta.org .		
Prayer Requests – Email your praise or petition to first@fpcpunta.org . Indicate if your prayer is for the Pastor only, church email prayer list, or prayer team on Sundays – or all of the above.		
Flowers – Flowers are given by Larry and Sue Mesler to celebrate our 67th anniversary.		
Cell Phones – Please remember to silence or turn off your mobile devices.		
Summer Newsletter – Available in the church foyer and on our website.		
Church Directories – Available in the church office.		
Flowers – May be sponsored for \$37.50. To make a donation, sign up in the church foyer, listing 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.		
Our Daily Bread – These daily devotionals are on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.		
Streaming Ministry – Livestream our services (fpcpunta.org) by clicking the logo <i>vimeo livestream</i> .		
Facebook Page – If you are on Facebook, don’t forget to follow our page for the latest happenings – https://www.facebook.com/FPCPGFL .		
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!		
Gather for Prayer – <u>A prayer meeting is held Sundays at 6pm online.</u>		
Hurricane Season – As we enter into Florida’s hurricane season we want to remind everyone that if a storm is in the area, please don’t travel if you are not comfortable, but you may join us online. Also, we have a text messaging system to notify folks if Services/Events are canceled. If you do not want to receive a text message, please notify the church office. <i>Please note: You cannot reply to these text messages.</i>		
Comparative Financial Operations / Performance		
	June 2026	Year-to-Date
Tithes & Offerings	\$13,798.29	\$127,520.44
Cash Expenditures	\$20,751.89	\$125,727.55
Net	(\$6,953.60)	\$1,792.89

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

PRESBYTERY VOLUNTEERS – On October 2nd – 3rd, FPC will host the Florida Presbytery of our denomination (ECO); we are expecting around 80 people. We will need greeters/registration helpers for Friday evening and Saturday morning, people to help set up breakfast and lunch (catered) on Saturday, people to bring breakfast casseroles or other breakfast items on Saturday morning. Also, if you would be interested in housing one of the pastors overnight on Friday. - that would be helpful for those who don't stay in a hotel. The sign-up sheet is on the information table in the foyer.

CHOIR OPPORTUNITY - If you would like to sing in a choir once a month in our Worship Service, starting in September, please sign up in the foyer or let Denny know.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – Tuesday, August 4th at 10:00am – “*The Holy Spirit*”, a weekly in-depth study, led by Gail Thornton. Sign up in the church foyer.

DONUTS & DOCTRINE – *Will resume September 2nd*. Join us weekly on Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall for Bible Study. Everyone welcome.

LADIES CARDS FELLOWSHIP – Thursday, August 6th, at 10:00am -- All ladies are welcome!

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH – Friday, August 7th, 11:30am – Sign up for Elena's Restaurant in PG.

MISIÓN PENIEL – Our next trip to Immokalee is Friday, August 28th, 9:30am. Please meet at our church. We need 6 - 8 people to sign up in the church foyer.

DISASTER RELIEF SUPPORT – Our trusted partners at World Renew are ECO's go-to resource for long-term disaster relief. <https://worldrenew.net/disaster-response-services-us/disaster-response-services>

MISSIONS SUPPORT – If you would like to donate to the missionaries and organizations that we are supporting in 2026 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)	Misión Peniel (Immokalee)
Crossroads Hope Academy (Punta Gorda)	Jesus Loves You Ministry (Port Charlotte)
Ground Up Ministries (Cape Coral)	Missionary Ventures (Chasen & Katie Brokaw – Nicaragua)
Stand In The Gap Fund - (supports missionaries and ministries with unexpected financial burdens)	

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK AUGUST 2 – AUGUST 9

<u>Sunday, August 2</u>	Communion Sunday
10:30am	Worship Service (Also Online)
11:30am	Fellowship Time
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)
<u>Tuesday, August 4</u>	
10:00am	Women's Bible Study
<u>Wednesday, August 5</u>	
10:00am	Jesus Loves You Shower Ministry
<u>Thursday, August 6</u>	
10:00am	Ladies Cards Fellowship
<u>Friday, August 7</u>	
11:30am	Ladies Lunch Bunch
<u>Sunday, August 9</u>	
10:30am	Worship Service (Also Online)
11:30am	Fellowship Time
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.

August 2, 2026

10:30am

PASTOR	Dr. Barksdale Pullen
ORGANIST	Denny Ausman
OFFICE & WORSHIP ADMIN	Debbie Rostad
LITURGIST	Bev Brady
USHERS	Marjorie Haun, Billie Sixt, Linda Wagar, Sam Cessna
AV/TECH	George Fallenbeck, Jim Nuznoff

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