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## WORSHIP SERVICE

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**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** Hymn Sing

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** *Sonata II* Joseph Haydn  
Mark Skolnik, Trumpet; Denny Ausman, Organ

### RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (based on John 4 and 2 Corinthians 5)

Pastor: Let us Worship God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ.

**All:** *We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!*

Pastor: Let us Worship God as Christ's Ambassadors.

**All:** *Through us and through our Worship may we announce the Good News to all.*

Pastor: Let us Worship God in Spirit and Truth.

**All:** *Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!*

**INTROIT** *O Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord* Donald Moore  
Chancel Choir

**\*HYMN #179** *Awesome God*

### \*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.

### \*GLORIA PATRI #813

**ANTHEM** *Ye Servants of God* Charles Wesley/Marion Vree  
Chancel Choir  
Mark Skolnik, Trumpet

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERTORY** *Sonata III* Joseph Haydn  
Mark Skolnik, Trumpet; Denny Ausman, Organ

*(Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad down your row)*

### \*DOXOLOGY

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN #692** *God Will Take Care of You*

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 17:5-6

**MESSAGE** *Increase Our Faith* Pastor Barksdale Pullen

**\*HYMN #539** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

### \*BENEDICTION

**\*RESPONSE #237** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing (vs. 1)*

**POSTLUDE** *The Army of Christ* David H. Hegarty

\*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth  
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## MINISTRY OF PRAYER

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### 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.

### Prayer Focus

Pray for the family of John Evans, whose brother Darrell went home to the Lord on February 19th.

### Those with Special Needs

Rachel Pfaender	Kay Callahan	Phyllis Ehrhardt	Bo Pullen
Lynn Lang	Ron Sixt	Rick Berner	Dave Sifferd
Irene Csontos	Barb Harris	Jack Rothley	

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

Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*

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## NOTES

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

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

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** – Available in the church office.

**2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES** – Available on the table in the foyer. If you don't see your name, let the office know. Thank you.

**FLOWERS** – The flowers are given by Robert Cuzner in memory of Bill Schultz.

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

**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!

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## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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**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).

**C.L.A.S.S. 101 – DISCOVERING CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?** – Simply go to our website at [fpcpunta.org](http://fpcpunta.org) and look under the *Home* tab. There you will find all the information about becoming a covenant partner at FPC. If you prefer a DVD set of videos, please see Pastor Barksdale.

**C.L.A.S.S. 201 – DISCOVERING SPIRITUAL MATURITY** – *Sundays, March 6th through 27th from 9:15-10:15am* – We will focus on four basic habits that every Christian needs to develop in order to grow to spiritual maturity. This class will equip you with the skills you need to begin these habits and will explain the tools you will need to continue them. Facilitated by John Evans. Sign up in the church foyer.

**CONCERT SERIES – THIS AFTERNOON at 3:00pm – BLUEGRASS in PUNTA GORDA** – The Southwind Bluegrass Band, five musicians using the banjo, fiddle, guitar, mandolin, and upright bass, will entertain us with an eclectic spectrum of songs ranging from old standards of the 1940s and 1950s to today's most modern progressive bluegrass styles. A free will offering will be taken – suggested donation is \$15.00. Cookies and Punch will be served following the concert.

**DONUTS & DOCTRINE** – *Wednesday, March 2nd at 10:00am* – Pastor Barksdale Pullen continues a study of *The History of the Bible in the history of the world*. Join us as we explore the rise of the Kingdom of God thru the Bible in the context of world history. *All are welcome!*

**SEASON OF LENT DEVOTIONALS** – Lent begins on *Ash Wednesday, March 2nd*. We have three devotionals for you to choose from to help you prepare for Holy Week (April 10 –17). These devotionals are available in the church foyer. If you would like one mailed to you, please contact the church office.

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH** – *Friday, March 4th, 12:00pm* – Join us for lunch at Pioneer Pizza, Port Charlotte. Sign up in the church foyer. *All ladies are invited!*

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – *Tuesday, March 15th (Lessons 2 & 3)*. We meet from 10:00am–11:30am *at the church*. We are using *Growing in Wisdom & Faith, a study of James* by Elizabeth George from her "A Woman After God's Own Heart" series. Call Kathy at 508-733-0546 for more information. *All women are invited to join us for study, fellowship and refreshments.*

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER** – Please join us on *Wednesday, March 16th at 5:00pm* for a St. Patrick's Day Dinner in Fellowship Hall, featuring corned beef and cabbage by Chef Bonnie Brown. The Fellowship Team will provide "green" desserts. Suggested donation is \$7.00. Sign up now in the church foyer.

**BADGES AND BURGERS** – *Monday, March 28th from 11:00am to 1:00pm* – Come out and help us show our appreciation to our Sheriff's Department as we grill hamburgers and hotdogs. Come out and have lunch with us out by the BBQ Pit and say thank-you to our local first responders. Sign up in the church foyer.

**SHOWER MINISTRY NEEDS** – We are looking for people that may have small travel size bottles of shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, small bars of soap, toothpaste, dental floss, shaving gel, razors, shaving cream, lip balm, combs, etc. You may want to clean out your bathroom drawer or purchase a few items for the homeless who come to the shower ministry once a week. A marked container will be left on the back table in Fellowship Hall. This will be an ongoing project, so as items become available to you, we will be happy to take them off your hands. *Blessings*

**MISSIONS SUPPORT** – If you would like to donate to the missionaries and organizations that we are supporting in 2022 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*

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*February 27th to March 6th*

**Sunday, February 27**

10:15am Hymn Sing  
10:30am Worship Service  
3:00pm Concert Series  
6:00pm Prayer Meeting (Online)

**Tuesday, March 1**

1:30pm Fellowship Team

**Wednesday, March 2**

10:00am **Ash Wednesday**  
Donuts & Doctrine Bible Study

**Thursday, March 3**

10:00am Game Fellowship  
**4:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (New Time!)**

**Friday, March 4**

12:00pm **World Day of Prayer**  
Ladies Lunch Bunch

**Sunday, March 6**

**First Sunday in Lent**  
**Communion Sunday**  
10:30am Worship Service (Also Online)  
6:00pm Prayer Meeting (Online)

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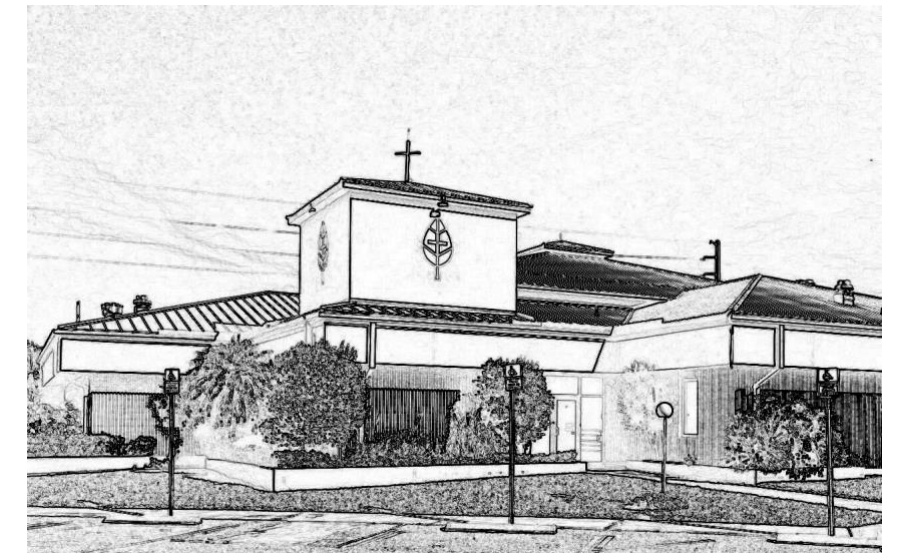
*SERMON NOTES*

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**Luke 17:5-6 (ESV)**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”



***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.*

**February 27, 2022**

**10:30am**

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<b>PASTOR</b>	Dr. Barksdale Pullen
<b>CHOIR DIRECTOR</b>	Joan Byron
<b>ORGANIST</b>	Denny Ausman
<b>OFFICE &amp; WORSHIP ADMIN</b>	Debbie Rostad
<b>LITURGIST</b>	Ernie Lehman
<b>USHERS</b>	Patti MacDonald, Barbara McPherson, Patti Nuzner, Carol Zutter