

---

---

## WORSHIP SERVICE

---

---

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** Nancy Smith

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** *Day of Triumph* Edward Broughton

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**INTROIT** *Jesus, Keep Me Near* Ellen Purchase  
Chancel Choir

**\*HYMN #809** *God of Our Fathers*

### \*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** *Lift Up Your Heads* arr. Lloyd Larson  
with *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*  
Chancel Choir

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERTORY** *Just A Closer Walk With Thee*  
(Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad down your row)

### \*DOXOLOGY #815

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN #337** *Nothing but the Blood*

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 19:28-40

**MESSAGE** *Triumphal Entry* Pastor Barksdale Pullen

**\*HYMN #431** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

### \*BENEDICTION

**\*RESPONSE #419** *The Family of God*

**POSTLUDE** *Postludium* Donald Lee Moore

\*Please stand, if able

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth

CCLI #1140231 CVLI #504386487

---

---

## 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 Misi3n 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	Dave Sifferd
Lynn Lang	Ron Sixt	Rick Berner	
Irene Csontos	Barb Harris	Jack Rothley	

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

Marion Brown, *Royal Palm*

---

---

## NOTES

---

---

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

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

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

**FLOWERS** – The flowers are given by Phyllis Ehrhardt in celebration of her birthday.

**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 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!

### \*\*\*MARK YOUR CALENDARS WITH OUR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE\*\*\*

- **Palm Sunday – April 10 – 10:30am Worship Service**
- **Passover Seder Meal – April 13 – 5:00pm**
- **Maundy Thursday – April 14 – 7:00pm Communion Service**
- **Good Friday – April 15 – 12:00pm Good Friday Service**
- **Easter Sunday – April 17 – 10:30am Easter Sunday Worship Service**

---

---

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

---

---

**SANCTUARY CROSS** – The Colors of the Cross are a symbolic depiction of the Easter season. For the beginning of the Lenten Season the cross is draped in purple. ***The purple cloth remains on the cross from Ash Wednesday to Maundy Thursday representing royalty – the King of kings has come.*** The black cloth remains on the cross from Good Friday through Saturday – representing His death. The white cloth is placed on the cross Easter Sunday representing His resurrection – His victory over sin, death and Satan.

**SEASON OF LENT DEVOTIONALS** – We have three devotionals for you to choose from in the church foyer to help you prepare for Holy Week (April 10 –17).

**EASTER LILIES** – We will be decorating the church with lilies for Easter. If you would like to donate one in remembrance or honor of a loved one, please use the offering envelopes on the back table of the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$7 for each lily. **Please have your envelope back by Monday, April 11th**, in time for the bulletin insert.

**LIVING CROSS** – We are requesting flowers and greenery for the “living cross” for Easter morning. **Please bring both the flowers and greenery at 10:00am on Saturday, April 16th.** Sign up in the church foyer to help with the “living cross”.

**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 information about becoming a covenant partner at FPC. Or see Pastor Barksdale for a *DVD* set.

**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).

### ACTIVITIES / EVENTS

**PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING** – If you like to knit or crochet, please gather with us in Fellowship Hall **Monday, April 11th at 10am.**

**DONUTS & DOCTRINE** – **Will not meet on April 13th** – We will resume on April 20th. 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!**

**PASSOVER SEDER MEAL** – **Wednesday, April 13th, 5:00pm** – Join Pastor Barksdale and Bill Hutt as they take you through a traditional Passover Celebration, pointing out how this meal foreshadowed Christ's death and resurrection that are symbolized in the elements of the Seder Meal. Afterwards we will enjoy a family style meal prepared by our Fellowship Team. Please sign up in the church foyer.

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED** – **Easter Monday, April 18th.**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – **Tuesday, April 19th, 10:00am–11:30am.** Lessons 5 and 6 of ***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.**

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH** – **Friday, April 22nd, 12:00pm** – Join us for lunch at the Red Lobster in Port Charlotte. Please sign up. **All ladies are invited!**

---

---

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES (continued)**

---

---

**MISSIONS SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES**

**UKRAINE RELIEF:** For those wanting to help those in need in Ukraine, here are four relief agencies that are doing work there now: Convoy of Hope (<https://convoyofhope.org/>), Samaritan's Purse (<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/>), World Renew (<https://worldrenew.net/ukraine-response>), and The Outreach Foundation (<https://www.theoutreachfoundation.org/ukraine-appeal>).

**JESUS LOVES YOU MINISTRY SPECIAL NEEDS –**

**Shower Ministry (Wednesday mornings in our parking lot)** – Please place “shower” items in the donation box in Fellowship Hall.

**Shower Ministry “Lunches”** – Please consider a financial donation to support the lunches that we provide weekly for the Shower Ministry. (mark as “lunches”)

**Backpack Ministry (Easter Project)** – Please consider a financial donation to support this special project (mark as “backpacks”).

**CROSSROADS HOPE ACADEMY** – Anyone interested in going to Crossroads Academy to meet students and talk with the staff about what we can do to help that ministry, please contact Patti MacDonald.

**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)

---

---

**EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

---

---

***April 10th to April 17th***

<b><u>Sunday, April 10</u></b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
10:30am	Worship Service
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)
<b><u>Monday, April 11</u></b>	
10:00am	Prayer Shawl Gathering
<b><u>Tuesday, April 12</u></b>	
10:00am	Missions Team
4:30pm	Chancel Choir
<b><u>Wednesday, April 13</u></b>	
5:00pm	Passover Seder Meal
<b><u>Thursday, April 14</u></b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
10:00am	Game Fellowship
7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service
<b><u>Friday, April 15</u></b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
12:00pm	Good Friday Service
<b><u>Saturday, April 16</u></b>	
10:00am	Assemble Living Cross
<b><u>Sunday, April 17</u></b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
10:30am	Worship Service (Also Online)
<b><u>Monday, April 18</u></b>	<b>Office Closed</b>

---

---

**SERMON NOTES**

---

---

**Luke 19:28-40 (ESV)**

<sup>28</sup> And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. <sup>31</sup> If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” <sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. <sup>33</sup> And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” <sup>34</sup> And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” <sup>35</sup> And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. <sup>36</sup> And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. <sup>37</sup> As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” <sup>39</sup> And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” <sup>40</sup> He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”



***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.*

**First Presbyterian Church of Punta Gorda**

**25250 Airport Road**

**Punta Gorda, FL 33950**

**941-639-1959 (phone)**

**941-637-3763 (fax)**

**Email: [first@fpcpunta.org](mailto:first@fpcpunta.org)**

**Office hours: 9:00am to 1:00pm Monday – Thursday**

**Website: [fpcpunta.org](http://fpcpunta.org)**

**April 10, 2022**

**10:30am**

**PASTOR**

Dr. Barksdale Pullen

**CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Joan Byron

**ORGANIST**

Denny Ausman

**OFFICE & WORSHIP ADMIN**

Debbie Rostad

**LITURGIST**

John Evans

**USHERS**

Roy Belville, Sam Cessna, Susie Lorenz, Patti MacDonald