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## WORSHIP SERVICE

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**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC** Hymn Sing

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE** *Melodie* David Hegarty

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**INTROIT** *Rejoice, the Lord is King* Wesley / Darwell  
Chancel Choir

**\*HYMN #43** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

### \*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 #812

**ANTHEM** *A Prayer for Our Time* Joseph Martin  
Chancel Choir

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERTORY** *The Bond of Love* Skillings, arr. by Bock  
*(Please sign and pass the Fellowship Pad down your row)*

### \*DOXOLOGY #815

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*HYMN #393** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

**SCRIPTURE** 2 Peter 1:3-15

**MESSAGE** *Being Fruitful* Pastor Barksdale Pullen

**\*HYMN #348** *My Savior's Love*

### \*BENEDICTION

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

**POSTLUDE** *Postlude in Ancient Style* George Blake

\*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 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*

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## NOTES

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

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

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

**FLOWERS** – The flowers today are given to honor United States military personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice in their service to our country.

**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!

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## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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**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

**PHILIPPIANS – Epistle of Joy** – Join us on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00am beginning June 1st** for **Donuts & Doctrine**. This summer we will be looking at Paul's Epistle to the Philippians. "Paul's joy at the mere thought of the Philippian church is undeniable in the letter, and it's that same joy that he wanted the recipients to possess as well. To lead the Philippians to this truth, Paul took them directly to Jesus, teaching them that a community of believers living in harmony with one another comes only through mutual humility modeled after the Savior. Paul wrote that he poured out his life as an offering for the sake of Christ, leading Paul to find great joy and contentment in Christ's service. His letter to the Philippians showed them that by centering their lives on Christ, they, too, might live in true joy." (Chuck Swindoll)

**PULLEN UP A CHAIR – Wednesday, June 1st, 5:00pm** – Barksdale and Bo will be hosting get-together dinners this summer at their home. This will be in groups of eight, and you can sign up for a Wednesday night (**June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd, and September 7th**) in the church foyer, or call/email the church office to reserve a night. There is no agenda, lesson, or study, just a time to get together for fellowship and to learn more about one another.

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH – Friday, June 3rd, 5:00pm** – Join us for **dinner** at Prime Serious Steak in Port Charlotte. Please sign up. **All ladies are invited!**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – Tuesday, June 7th, 10:00am–11:30am.** Lesson 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.**

**DINNER & MOVIE NIGHTS – Wednesday, June 8th, 5:00pm** – Come for dinner and stay for a movie. **The Case for Christ (2017)** – based on a true story, Lee Strobel, an award-winning investigative journalist – and avowed atheist – applies his well-honed journalistic and legal skills to disprove the newfound Christian faith of his wife with unexpected, life-altering results.

**SUNSET CRUISE – Wednesday, June 22nd, 6:30pm** – Meet at the dock of Fisherman's Village, enjoy a glorious Florida sunset over Charlotte Harbor while you tour the waterfront, and relax at the end of yet another perfect day. Cruise duration is 90 minutes and begins at 7:00pm (arrive at the dock at 6:30pm), by King Fisher Cruises. The cost is \$27.00 per person.

**JULY 4TH CONCERT – Sunday, July 3rd, 3:00pm** – Bion Cantorum and First Presbyterian are sponsoring a Fourth of July concert. Members of Bion Cantorum, the Chancel Choir and other community singers will participate in an uplifting and totally Patriotic Concert. We will salute our Veterans and perform old standards such as *America, God Bless America, and Yankee Doodle* as well as some new and exciting patriotic music. **An Ice Cream Social follows the concert.** Meet the performers and have some wonderful ice cream. This is a free-will offering concert with a suggested donation of \$15.00. For further information call 941-661-1553 or call the church at 941-639-1959 or go online to [www.fpcpunta.org](http://www.fpcpunta.org). Come out and enjoy a wonderful holiday tradition!

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## MISSIONS SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

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**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”)

**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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*May 29th to June 5th*

### **Sunday, May 29**

10:15am      Hymn Sing  
10:30am      Worship Service

### **Monday, May 30**

**Memorial Day**  
Office Closed

### **Tuesday, May 31**

7:00pm      Patriotic Concert Rehearsal

### **Wednesday, June 1**

10:00am      Donuts & Doctrine Bible Study  
5:00pm      Pullen Up a Chair

### **Thursday, June 2**

10:00am      Game Fellowship

### **Friday, June 3**

**5:00pm**      Ladies Lunch Bunch

### **Sunday, June 5**

10:30am      Worship Service (Also Online)  
6:00pm      Prayer Meeting - FaceBook

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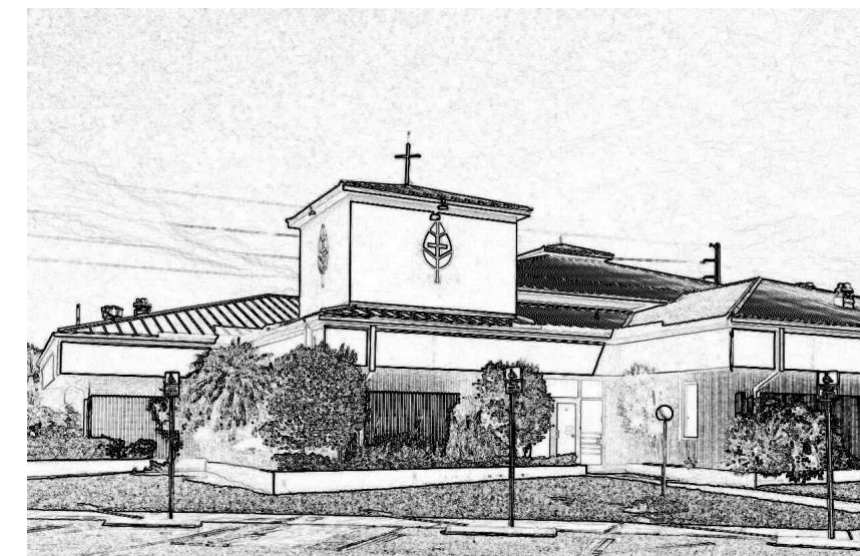
## SERMON NOTES

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### **2 Peter 1:3-15**

<sup>3</sup> His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. <sup>4</sup> Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. <sup>5</sup> For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; <sup>6</sup> and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; <sup>7</sup> and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. <sup>8</sup> For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, <sup>11</sup> and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup> So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have. <sup>13</sup> I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body, <sup>14</sup> because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. <sup>15</sup> And I will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.



***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.*

**May 29, 2022**

**10:30am**

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**PASTOR**  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR**  
**ORGANIST**  
**OFFICE & WORSHIP ADMIN**  
**LITURGIST**  
**USHERS**

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