

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Blended Christian Music

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Prelude on Patmos*

Rex Koury

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\*HYMN #225

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

\*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.

\*GLORIA PATRI

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER *(debts/debtors)*

OFFERTORY - \*\*

*In Pastures Green*

John M Rasley

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy One, like Abraham and Sarah, we have heard Your call. We respond with fledgling faith, offering what we have as we step into the unknown future with You. Bless and multiply these gifts of faith, we pray, to accomplish more than we dare think or ask. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

\*HYMN #349

*O How He Loves You and Me*

SCRIPTURE

1 John 2:7-11

MESSAGE

*Something Old, Something New*

Pastor Barksdale Pullen

\*HYMN #90

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #436

*Freely, Freely (Refrain)*

POSTLUDE

*Strong in the Faith*

Randolph Johnston

\*Please stand, if able

\*\*You may give securely online at [www.fpcpunta.org](http://www.fpcpunta.org)

Hearing assist devices are available at the tech booth    CCLI #1140231 CVLI #505503731

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 Misión Peniel, the mission that we support in Immokalee.
- Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.

Those Who Grieve

Pray for the family of Bill Dossé, who went home to the Lord on July 31st.

Those with Special Needs

Rachel Pfaender   Phyllis Ehrhardt   Rick Berner   Lynn Lang   Ron Sixt   Dave Sifferd

NOTES

PRAYER QUOTE – “If your day is hemmed in with prayer, it is less likely to come unraveled.” — Cynthia Lewis

FLOWERS –The flowers are given today by Linda Dossé in memory of Bill Dossé.

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.

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 ([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!

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).

Comparative Financial Operations / Performance		
	July 2025	Year-to-Date
Tithes & Offerings	\$16,718.18	\$139,463.13
Cash Expenditures	<u>\$21,674.98</u>	<u>\$153,178.59</u>
Net	(\$4,956.80)	(\$13,715.46)

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AND FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

**DONUTS & DOCTRINE** – *Wednesday, August 20th at 10:00am* – Zechariah: Mosaics of the Messiah - We are looking at the message of hope and restoration to the Jewish people returning from exile, emphasizing God's faithfulness and the coming of a righteous King who will establish His kingdom. All are welcome!

**LADIES CARDS FELLOWSHIP** – *Join us on Thursday, August 21st at 10:00am* – We meet every Thursday morning for cards and conversation. All ladies welcome!

**SERMON ON THE SAND** – Pastor Barksdale delivers the message on *Sunday, August 24th at 8:00am at Fishermen’s Village.*

**MISIÓN PENIEL** – Sign up for our next trip to Immokalee - *Friday, August 29th, 9:00am* - Meet at the church.

**LADIES LUNCH BUNCH** – *Friday, September 5th, 11:30am* – Sign up for Riviera in Punta Gorda.

**HURRICANE SEASON** – As we are still in 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. **Please note: You cannot reply to these text messages.**

**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 2025 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 17 – AUGUST 24

<b>Sunday, August 17</b>	<b>Deacon’s Fund Sunday</b>
10:30am	Worship Service (Also Online)
11:30am	Fellowship Time and Open House in the Library
6:00pm	Prayer Meeting (Online)
<b>Monday, August 18</b>	
1:00pm	Session
<b>Wednesday, August 20</b>	
10:00am	Donuts & Doctrine
10:00am	Jesus Loves You Shower Ministry
<b>Thursday, August 21</b>	
10:00am	Ladies Cards Fellowship
<b>Sunday, August 24</b>	
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 17, 2025**

**10:30am**

<b>PASTOR</b>	Dr. Barksdale Pullen
<b>ORGANIST</b>	Denny Ausman
<b>OFFICE &amp; WORSHIP ADMIN</b>	Debbie Rostad
<b>LITURGIST</b>	Kathy Belville
<b>USHERS</b>	Marjorie Haun, Billie Sixt, Patti MacDonald, Sam Cessna
<b>AV/TECH</b>	George Fallenbeck, Jim Nuznoff

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