

First
Presbyterian Church

Port Charlotte, FL



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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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God Calls Us to Worship



CHIMES & APOSTOLIC GREETING

PRELUDE

Come Into His Presence

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

King of Kings

EXCHANGE OF PEACE✝

CALL TO WORSHIP✝

One: We gather to worship knowing this truth,

All: God fulfills promises.

One: Even when we cannot muster belief,

All: God is faithful to us.

One: Nothing is impossible for God.

All: In gratitude, together let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN✝

Great Is The Lord

We Renew Our Relationship With God

PRAYER OF ADORATION

LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we often trust our own abilities more than your power. We doubt your promises when circumstances seem



impossible. We become discouraged by the needs around us and forget that you are at work through ordinary people. Forgive us. Renew our faith, strengthen our hope, and open our hearts to your transforming grace through Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We Respond to God's Grace

MINOR DOXOLOGY✝ *Glory To God Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PC-USA Brief Statement of Faith

CHILDREN'S SERMON

OFFERTORY

I Worship You, Almighty God

OFFERING HYMN✝

#678 We Are An Offering

PRAYER OF DEDICATION✝

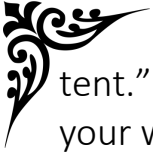
HYMN OF DEDICATION✝

God, We Honor You.

God Speaks to Us

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 18:1-2, 9-15 & Gen. 21:1-7 (NRSVUE)

Ch. 18: 1 The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. 2 He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground... 9 They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the



tent.” ¹⁰ Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I be fruitful?” ¹³ The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ ¹⁴ Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” ¹⁵ But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh,” for she was afraid. He said, “Yes, you did laugh.”

Ch. 21: ¹ The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. ² Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. ³ Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. ⁴ And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. ⁵ Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. ⁶ Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” ⁷ And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.”

New Testament Reading

Matthew 9:35-38 and Matthew 10, selected verses (NRSVUE)

Ch. 9: 35 Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; 38 therefore ask the Lord



of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

Ch. 10: 1Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. 5 These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ 8 Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons... 16 “I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. 17 Beware of them (religious leaders), for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, 18 and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. 19 When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, 20 for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION

#633 Open Our Eyes, Lord

THE PREACHED WORD

"Nothing Is Impossible With God"

HYMN OF RESPONSE✝

#654 Change My Heart, O God

God Sends Us Into the World

COMMISSION & BENEDICTION✝

SENDING HYMN✝

Go Make a Difference



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Blessing Tree

Benevolent Fund

Select a tag from the tree to donate



Prayer Group

Wednesdays

12 noon

SERMON NOTES

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PRAYER LIST

Ray & Eric Bittinger	-	<i>health & strength</i>
Hazel & Jerry Brown	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolyn & Charlie Brox	-	<i>health needs</i>
Lin Christian	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carol Dunkak-Dunekirchen	-	<i>health needs</i>
Barbara Edwards	-	<i>health needs</i>
Jean Heim	-	<i>health needs</i>
Marjorie Hill	-	<i>health needs</i>
Carolanne Hoehle	-	<i>health needs</i>
Alzie Lee Family	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Sue Littrell	-	<i>health needs</i>
Richard Lund	-	<i>health needs</i>
Courtenay Mason	-	<i>health needs</i>
Brad Messick	-	<i>health needs</i>
George Mothershed	-	<i>health needs</i>
Amanda Nunez	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Julie Nunez	-	<i>health needs</i>
Ray Omar	-	<i>health needs</i>
Mavis Powell	-	<i>health & comfort</i>
Amy Rupert	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Gay Sorensen's family	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Sue Thompson	-	<i>strength & comfort</i>
Danny Webb	-	<i>strength needs</i>
Debbie Webb	-	<i>health needs</i>

FPCPC FAMILY -

If you know of any shut-ins or anyone who may need our prayers,
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ELDERS

CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027	CLASS OF 2028
Amy Rupert	Sandy Asaro	Cathy Asaro
Nancy Sharpless	Claudette McLennon	Ambrose Woods
Donna Young	—	Claudemir Sathler

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2026	CLASS OF 2027	CLASS OF 2028
Carol Dunkak-Dunekirchen	Holly Parkin	Hazel Mason
Carol McLennon	Patti Bevens	Sue McConochie
Norma Campbell	Veronica Walters	—



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