

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

10:00 AM

+Please stand where indicated if it is comfortable for you.
All are welcome in this place of worship.
As you are seated, please silence your cell phones.
The prelude signals the beginning of worship.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Holy Ground/Great Is Thy Faithfulness*
Geron Davis//William M. runyan

+CALL TO WORSHIP

By faith, we trust that we were created in the image of God.
By faith, we hope and dream and make plans.
By faith, we face our fears and insecurities.
By faith, we till the soil of our lives and plant seeds of love.
By faith, we follow where God leads.
By faith, we trust that God is present in our midst.
As we gather in this place to worship God together.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #206

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" *Houston*

+OPENING PRAYER

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will and run the race of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

+GLORIA PATRI #70 *Meineke*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Tabitha Jordan*

(Children who wish to attend Sunday School are dismissed to Classroom A)

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

+SONG OF PEACE #572

"Pass It On" vs. 1-3 *Pass It On*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 Spirit Song *Spirit Song*

MORNING PRAYER *Tabitha Jordan*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong, and faithful, and revive us in the reading of your word that we may be the same, for your glory's sake, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON Hebrews 11:29-12:2 *Pew Bible NT Page 212-213*

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #511

"Am I a Soldier of the Cross" vs. 1-3 *Arlington*

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 12: 49-56 *Pew Bible NT Page 71*

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #511

"Am I a Soldier of the Cross" vs. 4-6 *Arlington*

SERMON

By Faith: Running the Race *Reverend Matthew M. Williams*

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**universal*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Tabitha Jordan

OFFERTORY *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* *Helen H. Lemmel*

+DOXOLOGY 94

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God all creatures here below!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Tabitha Jordan

WE BEAR THE WORD IN THE WORLD

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #700

"Abide with Me" *Eventide*

+BENEDICTION

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE *The Solid Rock* *William B. Bradbury*

CONNECT CARD



WELCOME! We'd like to help you get connected. Please fill out this card & place it on the offering plate.

Let us know how we can reach out to you!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

How long have you attended LH Church?

- 1st time guest 2nd time guest
 guest from out of town
 regular attendee member

I am interested in:

- Having the Pastor Contact Me
 Youth and Families
 Small Groups
 Missions
 United Methodist Women
 Men's Prayer Group
 Strawberry Festival Volunteer
 Stephen Ministry
 Greeting and Ushering
 Communion Stewardship
 Fellowship Hour Hospitality

PRAYER REQUESTS

In everything by prayer...

Let your requests be made known unto God.

Philippians 4:6

Please write your request here and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Please pray for

Requested by

Date _____

Phone number () _____

Email _____

I would like someone to contact me to pray over more confidential matters.

WELCOME!

All are welcome into the life and ministry of the United Methodist Church. We are honored that you are here. Please join us for refreshments after the service in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will worship with us again as we continue to discover the difference God's love makes in our lives!

BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is freely offered to infants and adults. If you are interested in being baptized, having your child baptized, or joining Lighthouse United Methodist as a professing member, please contact Amanda Pearsall at apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

YOUNG LIFE

Chas Jordan is beginning to raise support for his new full time ministry with Young Life in the Englewood area. He is in the process of sending out prayer cards and meeting with potential donors. Chas will be working in both Lemon Bay High School and L.A. Ainger Middle School. If you would like to receive a prayer card, please email him at chasjordan2006@gmail.com. If you would like to consider supporting him financially, he would love the opportunity to share his call and vision for the area. You can reach him via email or call at (706) 577-5043.

SAVE THE DATE!

Matthew and Joy travel to the Holy Land Oct. 24-Nov. 2, 2017
Brochures with all the details are in the narthex!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Do you have the gift of teaching? Do you love children? Consider offering your gifts as a part of our Children's Sunday School ministry! For more information, please contact Tabitha Jordan at tjordan@bglighthouseumc.com

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL DONATIONS

We appreciate your donations for Strawberry Festival 2017! Please place donations/items on **the stage in Fellowship Hall** for storage. We are keeping both the nursery and the Stirling Adult Education Room (Classroom B) **clear** of donated items. Thank you!

UPCOMING SERMONS

August 21—By Faith: An Unshakable Kingdom
Hebrews 12: 18-29 Luke 13: 10-17

August 29—By Faith: A Continual Praise
Hews 13: 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14: 1, 7-14

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of July 17, 2016

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$496,000.00</u>
PLEGDED TO DATE	<u>\$388,030.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$332,676.00</u>

SPECIAL THANKS FOR SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY!

Ushers: Lynn and Steve Kieffer

Liturgist: Marjorie Moore

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Abigail Turner & Hannah Amen

Audio Visual Technology: Liam Hugger and Grant Reeher

Sunday School: Chas Jordan



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— B O C A G R A N D E —
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

August 14, 2016

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



Today's passage from Hebrews shares about Biblical heroes that ran the race of faith with perseverance and endurance. The text reminds hearers that followers of Christ, though they may face hardship, will prevail with their eyes fixed on Jesus. The lesson in Luke is replete with images of strife and division. Jesus expects complete allegiance, and he speaks to the cost of such discipleship while also redefining the contours of family. For Christians, baptism is the new mark of family.