

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.
A staffed nursery is available for those with infants. Please ask
an usher for directions.*

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE (9:55) Prelude on “Morning Hymn” Fred B. Binkes
Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #57

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Azmon

+CONFESSION AND PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to our table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in
peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our
sin before God and one another.

***Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you
with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient
church. We have not done your will, we have broken
your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have
not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the
cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for
joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

All pray in silence

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God’s love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

***In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.***

+GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #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. Amen.**

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE #334 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” Sweet, Sweet Spirit

SPECIAL MUSIC “The Gift of Love” Ross Witschonke/Evelyn McKenna
Arr. Hal Hopson

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Tabitha Jordan

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

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

**Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought
salvation to our wayward world: kindle in us obedience
today, and draw us into harmony with your will, that
we may find all things restored in him, our Savior
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PSALTER Psalm 119: 105-112 Pew Bible OT Page 537

+EPISTLE LESSON Romans 8: 1-11 Pew Bible NT Page 147

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

+GRADUAL HYMN #732

“Come, We that Love the Lord” vs. 1-2 *St. Thomas*
*The Gospel is processed to the center of the congregation to signify that it is
central to the church, our faith, and our lives.*

+GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23 Pew Bible NT Page 13

+GRADUAL HYMN #732

“Come, We that Love the Lord” vs. 3-4 *St. Thomas*

SERMON Rwanda’s Good Soil Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 (vs. 1) “Spirit Song” *Spirit Song*

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Holy Manna* David Kidwell

+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

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Father We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted Louis Bourgeois

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

The United Methodist Church has an open communion. All are invited
to partake regardless of denominational or religious affiliation. At the direction
of the ushers, please come forward.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

*Choral Meditation on “St. Thomas”
Father Teach Us Day by Day
Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

Robert Graham
George Blake
Albin C. Whitworth

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

WE BEAR THE WORD IN THE WORLD

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #671

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing” *Sicilian Mariners*

+BENEDICTION

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy spirit be with you all.
Amen.

+POSTLUDE

Celebration for Trumpet Robert J. Hughes

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
 Singing in the Choir

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 _____

**PRAYER REQUESTS ARE HONORED
UNTIL NOTIFICATION IS RECEIVED
OTHERWISE. PLEASE KEEP US UP-
DATED AT 941-964-2479**

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. A staffed nursery is available for those with infants. Please ask an usher for directions. 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!

SUMMER USHERS, LITURGISTS AND COMMUNION STEWARDS NEEDED!

Please consider offering your gifts during the summer by ushering, reading the scripture, or serving as communion stewards. Sign up sheets are in Fellowship Hall or contact Amanda at 941-964-2479/ appearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

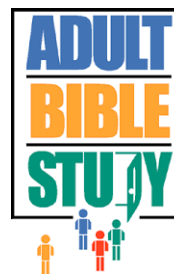
STAY CONNECTED THIS SUMMER!

Don't forget that you can keep up with the Lighthouse Church by viewing our sermons at www.bglighthouseumc.com. And, our Sunday morning service is live streamed on our church Facebook page: www.facebook.com/bglighthouseumc

JOIN REVEREND MATTHEW AND JOY WILLIAMS

Bible Land Exploration Pilgrimage: October 24-November 2, 2017
Journey in the footsteps of Jesus and learn why scholars refer to the Holy Land as the 'Fifth Gospel'. Contact www.EO.travel, 800-247-0017 for more information about this exciting opportunity!
Brochures available in Fellowship Hall

ASK ABOUT THESE MINISTRY ACTIVITIES AND HOW YOU CAN LEARN MORE!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of July 9, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$226,069.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 94,504.00</u>

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

Ushers: Kay & Chris Rembold

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Communion Stewards: Lynn & Steve Kieffer

Liturgist: Bo Hamrick

Hospitality Host: Elise Elliott

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton



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Linda Conklin, Nursery Attendant



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July 16, 2017

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



In the gospel lesson, Jesus tells the story of the sower who scatters seeds across the path. Only the seeds that land in the rich soil take root and flourish. Disciples are to plant themselves in the fertile ground of scripture so they may be nurtured in the ways and character of the living God.