

A Service of Word and Table

8:00 AM

Gathering

PRELUDE

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

+PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Celebrant:

God our helper, our shade, our protector, you are able to give life to the dead, to call into being things that do not exist. We trust in your power to make all things new; to keep us all in sunlight and moonlight, along rocky paths and pathways unknown; until all our going and coming brings us at last to your kingdom promised in Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

+GLORIA PATRI

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

Proclamation

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

HOMILY

MORNING PRAYER

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church has an open communion.

All are invited to partake despite denominational or religious affiliation. At the conclusion of the liturgy please come forward and receive a wafer, dip it into the cup, and partake.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending Forth

+THE DOXOLOGY

+POSTLUDE

Upon leaving the Sanctuary you are invited to give your tithes and offerings out of the joy of salvation. A basket is located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

Service of Worship

8:45 and 10:30 AM

Gathering

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Aberystwyth"

Raymond H. Haan

Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rich Steinhelper

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #152

"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

Forest Green

+OPENING PRAYER

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+SUNG RESPONSE

Glory be to God, Creator, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God the Spirit, known as Three, yet God the One. As it was in the beginning, it is now and so shall be in a world without ending, glory through eternity. Holy, holy God Almighty, holy, Prince of Peace, holy, holy wind of Presence, holy, holy, holy. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

MINISTRY IN MUSIC

(8:45)

God So Loved the World

John Stainer

Nancy Garraghan, Soloist

(10:30)

God So Loved a Medley of Hope

arr. Chuck Bridwell

Lighthouse UMC Choir

Proclamation

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

O Lord, may the words of your mouth be our daily bread, and may the leading of your spirit become our way; in Jesus' name. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12: 1-4a

Pew Bible OT Page 9

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #454

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" vs. 1-2

Open My Eyes

+GOSPEL LESSON

John 3: 1-17

Pew Bible NT Page 88

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

The Gospel is processed to the center of the congregation to signify that it is central to our church, our faith, and our lives.

+GRADUAL HYMN #454

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" vs. 3

Open My Eyes

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Response

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Rich Steinhelper

Minister of Pastoral Care

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 vs. 1&2

"Spirit Song" *Spirit Song*

MORNING PRAYER

Rich Steinhelper

THE LORDS'S PRAYER #895

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Come, Ye Disconsolate

James Pethel

+DOXOLOGY #94

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Sending Forth

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #369

"Blessed Assurance"

Assurance

+BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

POSTLUDE

Let All Things Now Living

Gilbert M. Martin

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 UMC?

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 Fellowship Group

Strawberry Festival Volunteer

Stephen Ministry

Greeting and Ushering

Communion Stewardship

Fellowship Hour Hospitality

Singing in the Choir

Membership

+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.

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 _____

Please remember that prayer requests
are honored until we are notified
otherwise. Please keep us
updated at 941-964-1479

I would like someone to
contact me to pray over
more confidential mat-
ters.

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 between the last two services 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!

PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING TO SERVE AS USHERS, COMMUNION STEWARDS AND LITURGISTS! There are sign up sheets and instructions in Fellowship Hall.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The annual Thursday morning Pancake Breakfast (March 12- April 16) needs volunteers! **Please sign up today in the Fellowship Hall!**

UMW LUNCHEON

Monday, March 16

"Flowers and Plants from the Bible"

11:30-1:00 Fellowship Hall . Hospitality Chairperson and "in house florist" Judy Thomas will be using plants and flowers mentioned in the bible to make a beautiful centerpiece. Bring a sack lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY COMING SOON!

Lighthouse Church will be producing a new pictorial directory soon! Life Touch Church Photography will be taking professional pictures on Monday, March 30 (from Noon to 7:00 pm), Tuesday, March 31 (from 10:00 am to 5:00pm), and Wednesday, April 1 (from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm). Appointments (15-minute time slots) can be scheduled beginning **today, March 8**. A convenient Web Mobile Directory will be offered in addition to a Community Connect book. The new directory will be updateable and available this summer for year rounders, and for seasonal residents, upon their return!



A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR ANOTHER AMAZING STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL! WITHOUT ALL OF YOU AND YOUR HARD WORK IT COULDN'T HAPPEN!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of March 1, 2020

2020 OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$643,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$210,364.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$8918.00</u>
FORWARD IN FAITH REMAINING NEED	<u>\$648,672.00</u>

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

10:30 – Dian & Richard Klepser

Liturgists: 8:45 – Bo Hamrick

10:30 – Brit Hume



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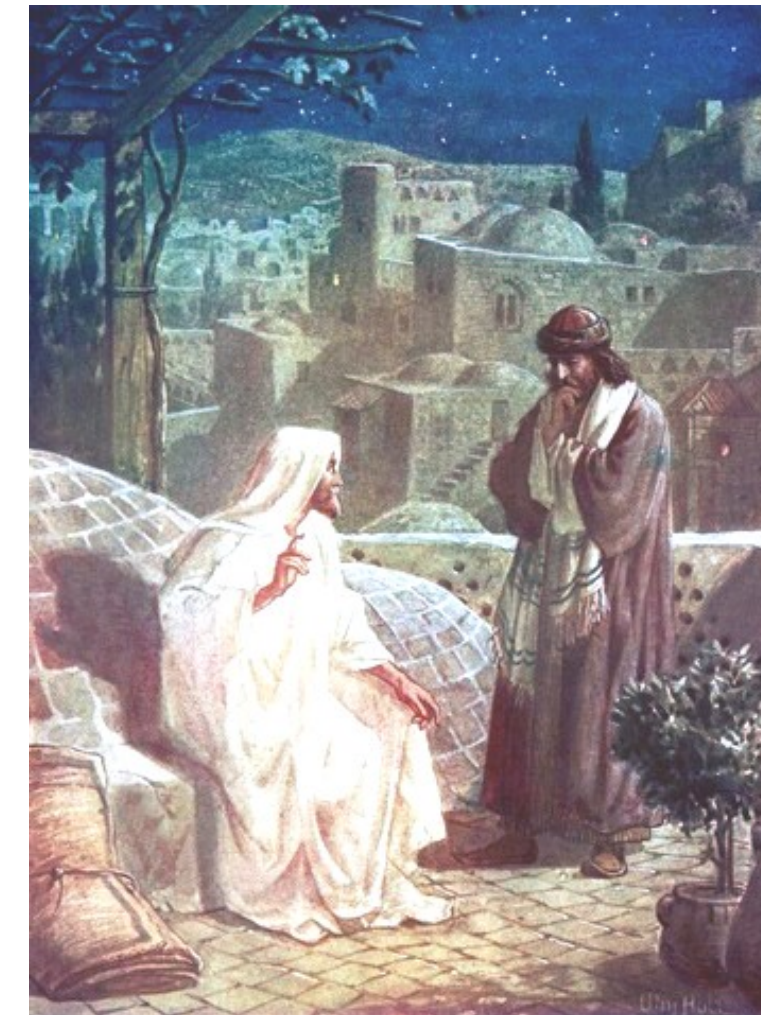


BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

March 8, 2020

Second Sunday in Lent

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



In today's Gospel passage, Nicodemus the Pharisee meets Jesus secretly, by night. Jesus astonishes him by declaring that all those who seek to enter the Kingdom of God must be born again. Those who place their faith in Jesus are given new life in the Spirit, who moves freely, just as the wind chooses where to blow. This spiritual rebirth for the family of God seals the ancient covenantal promise first given to Abram, who would become faithful Abraham, the father of God's people.