

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.
For those with infants a staffed nursery is available.

We Gather Around the Word

Today we welcome the Swinging Bridge Bluegrass Band to the Lighthouse Church

GATHERING MUSIC *The Swinging Bridge*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ed Paxton, Lay Leader

+CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN OF PRAISE
"Help is on the Way" *The Swinging Bridge*

Verse One
A woman in the Bible days her last meal was almost gone
But God sent Elijah to make His word known
He said woman don't worry for God sent me today
And before you even asked Him, help was on the way

Chorus
Just hold on a little longer help is on the way
A brighter day is coming for those who believe and pray
Help won't help tomorrow if you give up today
Just hold on a little longer, help is on the way

Verse Two
Troubles of this life come burdens get you down
You think no one is listening you think no one's around
Just remember what his word says trust Him and obey
Keep your eyes toward the heavens cause help is on the way

Repeat Chorus

+OPENING PRAYER
Lord, we have come to you this day bringing all that we have, our lives, our hopes and dreams, our fears and sorrows. We place these before you in faith and hope, knowing that no matter what has happened you are with us and blessing us. Open our hearts to receive your words and your spirit, that we may find healing and comfort. Open our lives to the wondrous possibilities for service and joy that you offer to us. Ease our minds and spirits that we may hear the words of encouragement and peace this day. **Amen.**

+PASSING OF THE PEACE
The Peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

MUSICAL SELECTIONS *The Swinging Bridge*

We Hear the Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In unison)
God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that as we hear your Word, we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
Hebrews 9: 24-28 *Pew Bible NT Page 210*
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+GOSPEL LESSON
Mark 12: 38-44 *Pew Bible NT Pages 46-47*
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 the church, our faith, and our lives.

MUSICAL SELECTION *The Swinging Bridge*

HOMILY
A Sacrificial Offering The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

We Respond to the Word

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895
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 and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY
"Will the Circle Be Unbroken" *The Swinging Bridge*

Will the circle be unbroken?
By and by Lord, by and by
There's a better home awaiting
In the sky Lord, in the sky.

We Bear the Word in the World

+HYMN "I'll Fly Away" *The Swinging Bridge*

Verse One
Some glad morning when this life is o'er I'll fly away
To a home on God's celestial shore I'll fly away

Chorus
I'll fly away, oh Glory! I'll fly away!
When I die
Hallelujah by and by I'll fly away

Verse Two
When the shadows of this life have flown I'll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown I'll fly away

Repeat Chorus

Verse Three
Just a few more happy days and then I'll fly away
To a land where joy will never end I'll fly away

Repeat Chorus

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE *The Swinging Bridge*

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. 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! For those with infants, a staffed nursery is available; please ask one of the ushers for directions.

**VISITORS, PLEASE PICK UP A GIFT BAG IN THE NARTHEX
AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION!**

**"WELCOME BACK" BLUE GRASS SUNDAY AND DINNER
ON THE GROUNDS!**

Join us today after the service for more Blue Grass Music from favorite local band "Swinging Bridge" and a BBQ dinner in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$15.00 per person is appreciated. All are welcome! Catering provided by "Blacken Blues BBQ"

BAPTISM ORIENTATION MEETING

Please join us Sunday November 18th at 9:00am in the south end classroom for a fun and informative meeting about baptism! Although this is an informative meeting for kids and families, all are welcome. If you are interested please contact Tabitha Jordan at tjordan@bglighthouseumc.com. A light breakfast will be provided!

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

In lieu of making and shipping Christmas shoeboxes to children in the Dominican Republic this year, donations are requested. Missionary Debbie Martinez is able to put the gifts together at a lower cost in the Dominican. If you'd like to donate, please mark your check 'Dominican Christmas mission.' Please contact Bill or Jean Steinman at 941-964-1828 with any related questions.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

If you are interested in volunteering for this season's Habitat for Humanity Apostle Build, please contact David Senior at senior3471@comcast.net or 941-889-7353

The Church Administration Offices will be closed Monday, Nov. 12 in observance of the Veteran's Day Holiday.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of November 4, 2018

2018 OPERATING BUDGET	\$564,000.00
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	\$475,677.00
MISSION GIVING	\$110,844.00
UMW MISSIONS	\$59,840.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	\$1,754,156.00

Special Thanks for Serving in the Lord's House today!

Ushers: Barbara & Bob Schoenfeld

Cross Bearer: Abigail Turner

Acolytes: Lachlan Barrett & Ian Egbert

Liturgist: Pat Witschonke

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton



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**A Stephen Ministry
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Al Nethery, Accompanist

Cindy Crespo, Sexton

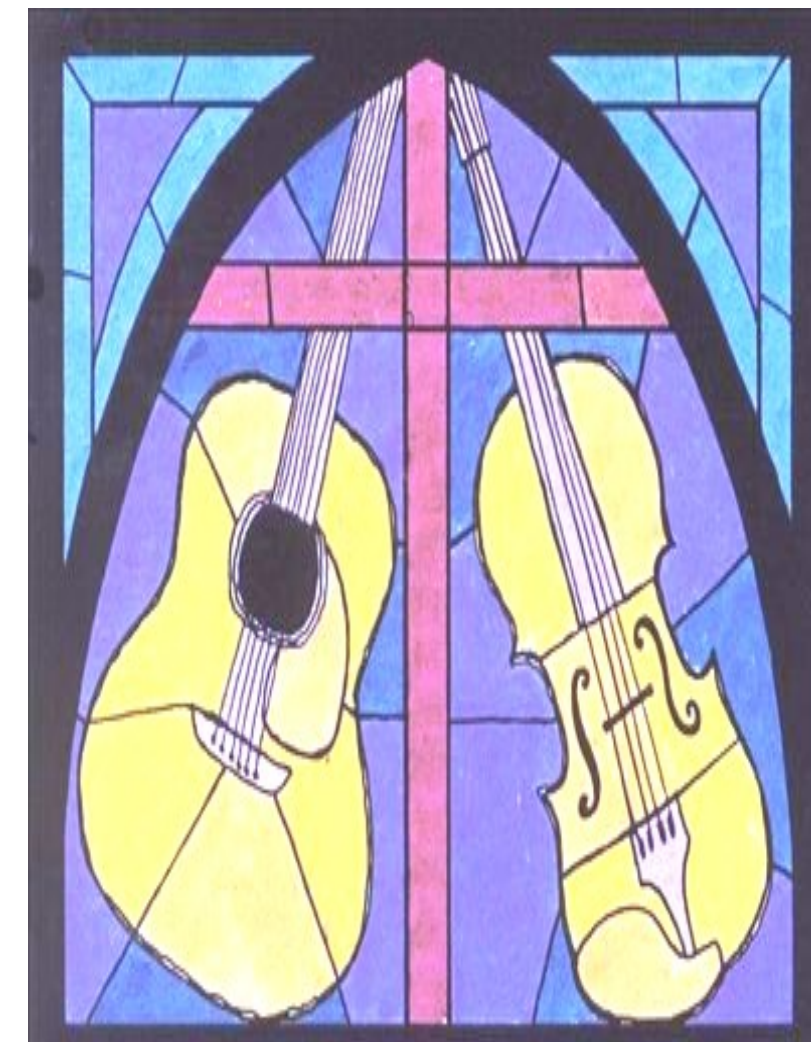
Abigail Turner, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

November 11, 2018

Twenty fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light
BLUEGRASS SUNDAY



In Mark's gospel, Jesus exposes religious hypocrisy and lifts up the example of a poor widow's offering. Her sacrificial offering of two small coins given from a pure heart is worth more in the Kingdom than the large sums offered from a desire to be seen by others. In Hebrews, Jesus' perfect example of sacrificial love is declared with the promise of his second coming to save those eagerly awaiting him.