

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

PRELUDE

(9:55 AM)

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Robert J. Hughes

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

From Exodus 33: 12,14,19

Lord, you have welcomed us, saying,
“I know you by name, and you have found favor with me.”
Lord, you have promised us,
“My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”
Lord, you have blessed us, saying,
“I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you.”
Lord, you have humbled us, saying,
“I will proclaim my holy name in your presence.”
Lord, show us your glory! We worship you!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #103

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

St. Denio

+OPENING PRAYER

Faithful God, you are here. Tuck us into the cleft of the rock; cover us with your hand, when we are anxious, that we may be courageous to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who calls us by name. Amen.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE #666

“Shalom to You” (sung two times)

Shalom

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)

Holy Spirit, illumine us for your word, that the message of the Gospel may come to us in power. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

I Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Pew Bible NT Page 191

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #361

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” vs. 1-2

Toplady

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 22: 15-22

Pew Bible NT Page 23

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #361

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” vs. 3-4

Toplady

SERMON

“It’s Not About the Taxes”

Tabitha Jordan

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 communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF ADORATION #347

vs. 1

“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 and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Meditation on “Germany”

Albin C. Whitworth

+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

WE BEAR THE WORD IN THE WORLD

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #715

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Darwall’s 148th

+BENEDICTION

Tabitha Jordan

We go into the world to walk in God’s light, to rejoice in God’s love and to reflect God’s glory. In the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

+POSTLUDE

O Worship the King

Lani Smith

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.

NEW NAME BADGES

Everyone has a new name badge! Please look for yours in the magnetic holder in the narthex. If you **DO NOT** find a name badge for yourself and would like to have one, please contact Amanda at 941-964-2479 or apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

CAREGIVER LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch is a peer support group for caregivers, offering the opportunity to share experiences, laugh, relax, and exchange knowledge and resources. You are invited to bring a bag lunch or something to snack on, and take a short break. Your loved one needs you at your best. From mid-October to mid-April, the group meets every Friday at noon. New members are welcome and there is no cost to attend. The group will begin meeting on October 13 in the Houghton Room at the Community Center. For more information, please call Grace Ott at (941) 964-2167.

MOM'S NIGHT OUT this (Oct. 23) coming Monday!

Join us for fun and fellowship every other Monday evening at 5:30. Moms and Kids eat dinner together; then break out into separate groups. The Moms spend time in bible study and the Kids are entertained with stories about Jesus, songs and games, all provided by Pastor Tabitha and volunteers. Interested? Contact tjordan@bglighthouseumc.com

NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Beginning Sunday, November 5, Reverend Williams will conduct a Sunday morning class at 9:00 AM for anyone wishing to become a full member of Lighthouse Church. Based on the book: "A Disciple's Path", these classes will be held in the Administrative Office on November 5, 12, and 19. A sign up sheet is in Fellowship Hall and/or email apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of October 15, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$402,426.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 189,622.00</u>

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

Ushers: Beth Paxton & Jim Cooper

Acolyte & Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: Chas Jordan

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett

Hospitality: Bev Furtado & Len Tatko



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Cindy Crespo, Sexton

Linda Conklin, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

October 22, 2017

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



In the letter to the Thessalonians, the Apostle Paul reminds his hearers that the message of the Gospel does not come in words only, but in the convicting power of the Holy Spirit, leading followers of Christ to be examples of a people who worship the one true God. In Matthew, the Pharisees pose a question to Jesus about the payment of taxes. Jesus responds by saying, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."