

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)

This Is Love – Medley on “And Can It Be and Oh, How He Loves You and Me”

Campbell/Kaiser

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 90: 1-6

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
In you, we come home to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved. We dwell in you.
Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.
In you, we are home. We dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice. We dwell in you.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #117

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

St. Anne

+OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, you not only welcome us, you receive us into yourself. Give us courage to be open to others, to let them become dear to us, that we might share our lives and your Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who makes room for us all. *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)

Lord Jesus, your understanding of Scripture astonished and humbled all around you. Send your Spirit to illumine the words of the scriptures we hear today, that our wisdom and understanding may be increased. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

I Thessalonians 2: 1-8

Pew Bible NT Page 191

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #453

“More Love to Thee, O Christ” vs. 1-2

More Love to Thee

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: 34-46

Pew Bible NT Page 24

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #453

“More Love to Thee, O Christ” vs. 3-4

More Love to Thee

SERMON

“A Life of Love”

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

The Power of Your Love

Arr. Victor Labenske

+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 #110

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Ein’ Feste Burg

+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

To Him Who Sits on the Throne

Debbye Graasfma

*universal

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

NOVEMBER IS SUNDAY UNDIE MONTH!

November has been designated "Sunday Undie Month" for Kids Needs. Please bring NEW AND UNUSED kids' underwear and socks in children's sizes to the barrel in Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Becca deRosa at 941-697-1199 or bcderosa@embarqmail.com

MOM'S NIGHT OUT IS BACK!

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

ALL SAINTS DAY FLORAL TRIBUTES

All are welcome to provide floral "in memoriam" tributes to loved ones for the All Saints Day ceremony in the columbarium on Sunday, Nov. 5. Please make sure the flowers or plants are either in a weighted sturdy vase or potted.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of October 22, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$405,697.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$189,922.00</u>

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

Ushers: Kay & Chris Rembold

Acolyte & Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: Joan Senior

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett

Hospitality: Kathreen, Mark, & Ava Teaney



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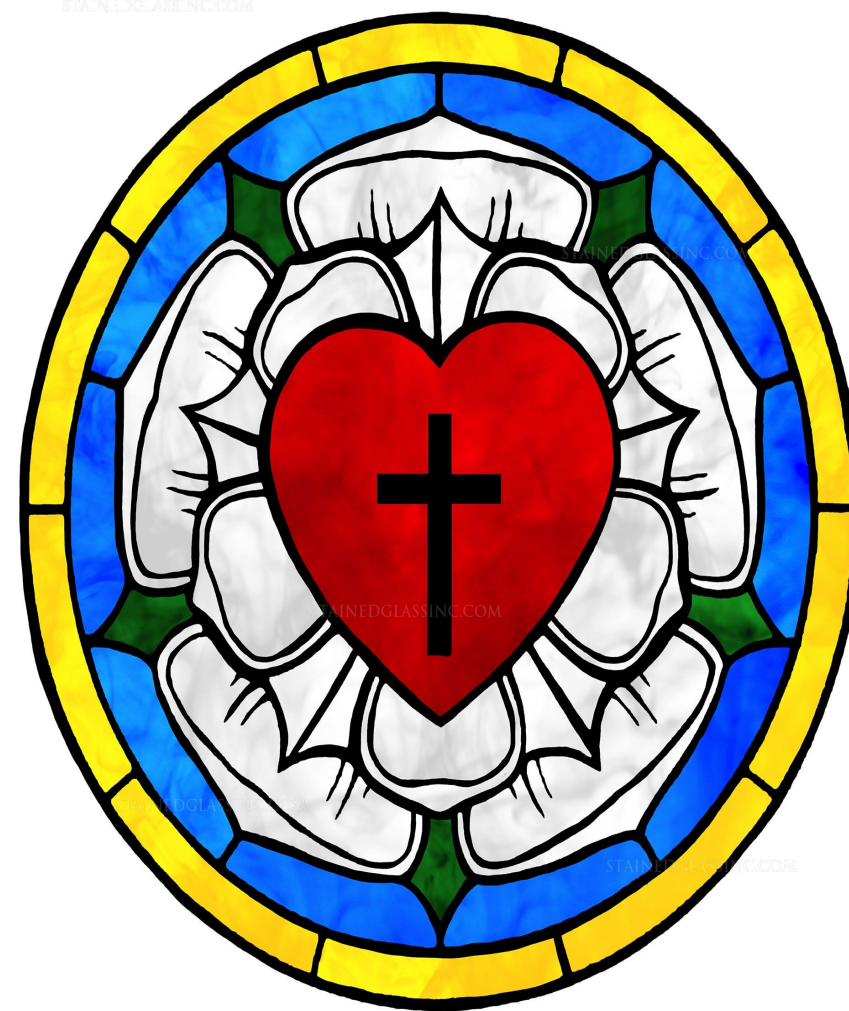


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October 29, 2017

Reformation Sunday

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



In his letter to the people of Thessalonica, Paul encourages them to persevere in the face of suffering, knowing that God has entrusted them to share the gospel, and that their mission is grounded in Christ. In the gospel lesson from Matthew, Jesus emphasizes that the greatest commandments are, first, to love God, and, second, to love your neighbor as yourself. In this proclamation, Jesus makes clear that such love is connected—you cannot properly love God without loving your neighbor.