

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 between the 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!

NURSERY

We welcome children to our worship experiences. If, during the service, you need a quiet place to take your children, please ask the ushers for directions to the Cry Room, which is accessed through the Fellowship Hall. The service can be seen and heard in the Cry Room, enabling a meaningful experience for guardians and children.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

During the weeks that the Pancake Breakfast Ministry is in session (March 10-April 14), the Men's Prayer Group will meet in the Stirling Adult Education Classroom B at 10:30. All men are welcome!

UMW MEETING

Monday, March 21 at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sandwich and a friend! Anna Migera and Dr. Lisa Alvetro of Grassroots Angel House Orphanage & Secondary School in Tanzania will be speaking to us about giving HOPE to the children of East Africa. Grassroots is a mission organization born out of a small rural church near Dayton, Ohio in 2002. Today it is a collection of individuals and churches that are deeply committed to assisting church and community leaders in East Africa to address the orphan crisis, through the nurture, education, and faith development of God's precious children.

MOM'S NIGHT OUT

Moms and kids, please join us at Lighthouse Church tomorrow (March 21) 5:15-7:00 for an evening of food, fun and fellowship! Call Barb O'Connell at 941-964-7582 or 909-256-3661 with questions and for more information.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 27 RESURRECTION SUNDAY

Ecumenical Sunrise Service, Gasparilla Island State Park Beach
8:30 and 10:30 Services at Lighthouse Church
Special Children's Activities at 10:30

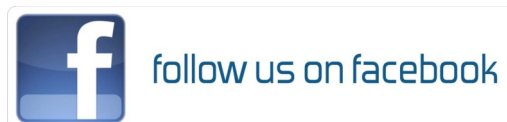


SPECIAL THANKS FOR SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY!

Ushers: 8:30—Elsa and Peter Soderberg, Jane and Ron Wittenberg
10:30—Ray Smedley and Martin Lyons
Liturgist: 8:30— Mary Ann Roelse 10:30—Richard Klepser
Hospitality Hosts: Gloria Mitchell and Beth Paxton
Choir Director: Carol Elwood, **Accompanist:** Al Nethery
Audio Visual Technology: Grant Reecher
Children and Youth Ministry: Cheryl Schum & Leslie Barrett



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— B O C A G R A N D E —
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

March 20, 2016

PALM SUNDAY

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



Our service begins with a procession of the palms to recall the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The palms we wave reflect the fragility of the celebration—since a mere five days later, the crowd's adulation turns to hatred. In Philippians we read Paul's account of Jesus' ministry. Paul sums up the humiliation and the glory of Jesus that we honor this week. The gospel narrative is a retelling of the passion of Christ, drawing primarily from the gospel of Matthew.

Service of Worship

8:30 & 10:30 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

and register your attendance in the registration pad.

The prelude signals the beginning of worship.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *They Sang, "Hosanna!"* Richard A. Williamson

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 19: 28-40 Pew Bible NT Page 78

Minister: This is the Word of God for the People of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

+BLESSING OF THE PALMS

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #280

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" St. Theodulph

+OPENING PRAYER AND CONFESSION

Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. In his name we pray. Amen.

The minister offers words of confession in three biddings,

To which the congregation responds as follows:

Lord have Mercy Christ have Mercy Lord have Mercy

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+RESPONSE #160

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" vs. 2 Marion

Your clear hosannas raise, and chanting as ye go;

From youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

BAPTISMAL HYMN #611

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" vs. 1-2 Stuttgart

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Frederick James "Fritz" Rubenstein See Insert

BAPTISMAL HYMN #611

"Child of Blessing; Child of Promise" vs. 3-4 Stuttgart

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

+SONG OF PEACE #295

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" vs. 1 & 4 Rathbun

During the song of peace children who wish to attend Sunday School are dismissed to Classroom A

CHORAL ANTHEM Fanfare for Palm Sunday Choir

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 "Spirit Song" vs. 1 Spirit Song

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

It is our honor to pray with you and for you. If you have a prayer request that you would like listed on our prayer list, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering plate.

All: **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, the power and the glory forever.
Amen.**

WE HEAR THE WORD

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #277

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" Stories of Jesus

PSALM Psalm 39: 1-13 Pew Bible OT Page 644

EPISTLE LESSON Philippians 2: 5-11 Pew Bible NT Page 186

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

+PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah; as we hear your word proclaimed today, grant us the faith to know you and love you, so that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory. Amen.

SERMON Adopt the Attitude Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY PRAYER Reverend Matthew M. Williams

OFFERTORY *Improvisation for Palm Sunday* Alexandre Guilment

+SONG OF THANKSGIVING # 298

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross vs. 4 Hamburg

Were the whole realm of nature mine,

That were an offering far too small;

Love so amazing, so divine,

Demands my soul, my life, my all.

WE BEAR THE WORD IN THE WORLD

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #278

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Ellacombe

+BENEDICTION

Leader: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding,
Keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
And of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing God
Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among
You, and remain with you always.

All: **Amen.**

+POSTLUDE *Ride On in Majesty!* Edward Broughton

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT

By offering your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness, we are able to meet the physical and spiritual needs of our local congregation and our missional initiatives locally and internationally. We thank you for your investment and pray that God's Kingdom will continue to come among you!