

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

8:30 and 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.

For those with infants a staffed nursery is available.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE (8:25 & 10:25)

The Day of Resurrection

Dan R. Edwards

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ed Paxton, Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+GREETING

Alleluia. Christ is Risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #315

“Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”

St. Kevin

+OPENING PRAYER

Lord of Life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave.

By being lifted on a cross you draw all peoples to you.

By being raised from the dead you restored to humanity all that we had lost through sin.

Throughout these fifty days of Easter, we proclaim the marvelous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. **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.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

+SONG OF PEACE #186 vs. 1-3

“Alleluia”

Alleluia

CHORAL ANTHEM (10:30)

Standin’ in the Need of Prayer

Choir

Patti Drennan

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (10:30)

Tabitha Jordan

(Children who wish to attend Sunday School are dismissed to Classroom A)

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts as we open the pages of your scriptures that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifices and peace, to the praise of God the Father. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 16: 5-11

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a glorious heritage.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; even at night my heart instructs me.

I have set the Lord always before me; the Lord is at my right hand; I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices, my body also dwells secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your godly one see the pit.

You show me the path of life;

In your presence there is fullness of joy, in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Peter 1: 3-9

Pew Bible NT Page 218

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #304

“Easter People, Raise your Voices” ”

vs. 1-2 Regent Square

+GOSPEL LESSON

John 20: 19-31

Pew Bible NT Page 108-109

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #304

“Easter People, Raise your Voices”

vs. 3 Regent Square

SERMON

Believing Thomas

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #880 (10:30)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

continued...

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 vs. 1

“Spirit Song”

Spirit Song

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER

Tabitha Jordan

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. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Reverend Matthew M. Williams & Ray Smedley

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Worthy Is the Lamb

Don Wyrzten

+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

+RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (8:30)

UMC Hymnal page 33

Bob Jamison, Colvin and Madelaine McCrady

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #310

“He Lives”

Ackley

+BENEDICTION

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE

Festive Postlude on “Llanfair”

Mary McDonald

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

STAY CONNECTED THIS SUMMER!

As many are returning to their homes up north, please remember that you can keep up with the Lighthouse Church through viewing our sermons at www.bgighthouseumc.com In addition, our Sunday Morning service at 10:30 AM is Live Streamed on our church Facebook page. You can find this at www.facebook.com/bgighthouseumc. We hope that these avenues enable you to continue to worship and stay connected with our congregation over the summer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PASTOR TABITHA JORDAN!

Please join us in congratulating and extending best wishes to Tabitha Jordan, who was recently approved to begin her journey toward ordination as an elder in the United Methodist Church!

ONE SERVICE STARTING MAY 7

Beginning Sunday, May 7, one service will be conducted at 10:00 AM.

THANK YOU FROM HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Thanks to each of you for your participation during the past year in helping make **Apostles Build 2017** a reality for Summer Spencer and her daughters, Hailey and Piper. Under God's guidance we were blessed with beautiful weather and the help of many wonderful volunteers throughout the build schedule. I also want to thank the pastors who attended and participated in the 4/17 home dedication ceremony.

I personally want to let everyone know how much I appreciate all of the work you do to help make our Apostles Build project a success and for the friendships we've established over the past few years. I am honored to be working with you on this project.

I hope everyone has a wonderful upcoming summer, and I look forward to speaking with our 2017 Team Leaders to discuss participation in Apostles Build 2018.

Jan Nick

Development Coordinator

Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity

REVEREND WILLIAMS WILL BE OUT OF TOWN APRIL 24-29. FOR PASTORAL CARE PLEASE CONTACT PASTOR TABITHA JORDAN AT tjordan@bgighthouseumc.com or call the church administrative office at 941-964-2479.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of April 16, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$175,366.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 89,719.00</u>

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

Ushers: 8:30— Beth & Ed Paxton

10:30—Ellie & Pete Durno

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: 8:30—Candy Rost, 10:30— Carol Elwood

Audio Visual Technology: Grant Reecher

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Carol Elwood, Choir Director

Cindy Crespo, Sexton

Linda Conklin, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

April 23, 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



The gospel lesson the second Sunday of Easter each year is the story of "Doubting Thomas", Jesus' disciple who refused to believe the other disciples' account of Jesus' resurrection without seeing it for himself. The placement of this story of incredulity immediately following the joy of Easter acknowledges the complexity of belief.