

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.
A staffed nursery is available for those with infants. Please ask an usher for directions.

We Gather Around the Word

PRELUDE

O Morning Star Philipp Nicolai
Arr. Franklin Ritter

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ed Paxton, Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #92

"For the Beauty of the Earth" Dix

+INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

+GLORIA PATRI #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 #503
"Let It Breathe on Me" (sung two times) Let It Breathe

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Tabitha Jordan

We Hear the Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison) Liturgist and Congregation
Holy God, you search us and know us: turn our hearts toward you, and send your Spirit now to show us the way to life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON
Song of Solomon 2: 8-13 Pew Bible OT Page 588

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON
James 1: 17-27 Pew Bible NT Page 215
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #189
"Fairest Lord Jesus" vs. 1-2 St. Elizabeth

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
Mark 7: 1-8, 14-5, 21-23 Pew Bible NT Pages 39-40
The Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #189
"Fairest Lord Jesus" vs. 3-4 St. Elizabeth

HOMILY Old Time Religion The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

We Respond to the Word

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

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY
I Love Thee, My Lord – from "Christian Harmony"
Arr. Douglas E. Wagner

+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

COMMUNION MEDITATION
Become to Us the Living Bread Schones Geistliches Gesangbuch
From the Pilgrim Hymnal, 1958

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church is an open communion. All are invited to partake regardless of denomination or religious affiliation. At the direction of the ushers, please come forward, take a wafer, dip it into the cup, and partake.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING #17 Musical Setting A

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION
You Satisfy the Hungry Heart Robert E. Kreutz
O Food to Pilgrims Given German Melody, 15th Century
Adapted by Heinrich Isaac, by J.S. Bach
Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether Harold Friedell

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We Bear the Word in the World

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #399
"Take My Life, and Let It Be" Messiah

+BENEDICTION
Numbers 6: 24-26 The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
and give you peace.

+POSTLUDE Go Forth in Triumph Franklin Ritter

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 UMC?

- 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 Fellowship 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 _____

Please remember that prayer requests are honored until notification is received otherwise. Please keep us updated so that the prayer lists are current. Call 941-964-2479 or email apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

Thank you!

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!

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

STAY CONNECTED AND STAY COMMITTED!

Please remember that during the off season we still need ushers, liturgists, hospitality hosts, and communion stewards. Sign up sheets are in Fellowship Hall. And, don't forget to visit our Lighthouse Church website at bglighthouseumc.com and listen to and view each week's sermon during the summer months. Check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/bglighthouseumc.com to see the weekly service in real time, live each week.

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Don't forget that you can also go to our website and find updates to the fundraising progress for the Forward in Faith Building Campaign. www.bglighthouseumc.com

PRAYER REQUEST UPDATES NEEDED!

Prayer requests remain on our prayer lists until notification is received otherwise. Please help us to keep the lists as current as possible. If a name(s) can be removed please let us know on the prayer request form, call 941-964-2479, or email apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

ONLINE GIVING OPTION NOW AVAILABLE

The Lighthouse Church now has an online giving option. You may donate to the general budget or for specific purposes. Please visit www.bglighthouseumc.com/resources more.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Beginning today we are offering two Sunday School classes for our children. The 5th-8th graders class will meet before church from 9:00-9:40 in classroom B with Pastor Tabitha Jordan. Our K-4th graders Sunday school class will begin after the Children's Message during the Sunday Service with Leslie Barrett in classroom A. Please ask the ushers for directions to each classroom.

The Church Administrative Offices will be CLOSED tomorrow, Monday, September 3 in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness

Our gifts as of August 26, 2018

2018 OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$431,131.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$53,248.00</u>
UMW MISSIONS	<u>\$59,840.00</u>
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	<u>\$1,735,156.00</u>

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

Ushers: Beth Paxton & Rick Hugger

Cross Bearer: Abigail Turner

Liturgist: Weldon Rogers

Communion Stewards: Amy Quinn & Larry Wiley

Hospitality Hosts: The Turner Family

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton



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Philip Eyrich, Assistant Organist



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

September 2, 2018

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



The Song of Solomon sings of the deep love God has for us, the beauty of romance, and of new creation. The passage from James urges us to live out our faith with pure hearts of compassion, reflecting our nature as image-bearers of God. In the Gospel passage, Jesus calls us to worship him from our inner beings and to guard our hearts. Out of this, the Holy Spirit leads us into a common life together where differences are reconciled, and we gather as one family in Christ.