

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.
The congregation will speak the liturgy in bold print.

Gathering

PRELUDE Fanfare on "Ein Feste Burg" (A Mighty Fortress)
James Pethel

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Linden Hustedt

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP From Matthew 22

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all of the law and the prophets.

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Minister:

Let us speak the truth about ourselves to our neighbors and to God, acknowledging what we have done and what we have left undone.

Your holiness, O God, commands that we confess: We have neither loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation.

We have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, profited at the losses of those near and distant, borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrongdoing. We long to live in accord with your desire that your way of compassion, kindness, and honesty will govern our hearts and minds, turning us toward lives of peace. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

Minister:

Brothers and sisters, the Holy One who promises forgiveness to those who seek the good hears your confession. As the crucified and risen child of God, your Redeemer fully knows your

sorrow and your desire for reconciled relationships. You are forgiven. In that promise is the power to love your neighbors and yourselves as beloved of God who created all that exists. **Amen**

+GLORY BE TO GOD CREATOR The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Soloist

**Glory be to God, Creator, glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit. Known as Three,
but God the One. As it was in the beginning, it is now
and so shall be in a world without ending.
Glory to eternity. Holy, holy, God Almighty.
Holy, holy, Prince of Peace.
Holy, holy, Wind of Presence.
Holy, Holy, Holy. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

God of creation, you have made us to be nourished in your care, and you test us so that we will turn again and again toward your gifts. Show us how to love our neighbors and ourselves, and teach us to delight in your law so that we will know the way of gratitude and thanksgiving. In the name of Christ Jesus, our Savior, we pray. **Amen**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Peters
Coordinator of Family Ministries

WORSHIP IN MUSIC
The Gift of Love - Hal Hopson
Becca deRosa - Soloist

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)
Come, Holy Spirit, in the Word of God, as the breath of life, amidst your people gathered here, into our hearts and minds. Stir us to know the happiness of life in your blessings. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL LESSON
Matthew 22:34-46
The Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

HOMILY *These Two Commandments*
The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

MUSICAL SELECTION
Beautiful Savior - Dale Wood

Response

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

HYMN OF ADORATION Spirit Song- John Wimber
Becca deRosa - Soloist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For the sake of all that is needed by Earth, its people, and our churches, let us pray, saying,
Holy God, hear our prayer.
The minister continues...

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.

Sending Forth

+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 *Toccatta on "Kirken" (Built on a Rock)*
Gordon Young

Today's altar flowers are given by Ray and Mary Jo Smedley in honor of their wedding anniversary!

**Thank you for your ongoing investment in the life and ministry of Lighthouse United Methodist Church of Boca Grande.
An offering basket is located at the entrance of the Sanctuary.**

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
 Membership

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!

We are honored that you are here! If you are a first time guest, please pick up a gift mug as a token of our gratitude for your presence here today. All are welcome into the congregational life, ministry, and membership of Lighthouse United Methodist Church. For information on baptism and membership, please contact us at info@bglighthouseumc.com

Family Experience Celebration Event is Today!:

We invite all of our families with Sunday School children to join us this afternoon, from 4 to 6 p.m., for a fun celebration event as Kathy Peters, our Coordinator of Family Ministries, wraps up the Ten Commandments series. There will be games, crafts, activities, and refreshments.

3rd Annual Welcome Back Bluegrass Sunday! and Veteran's Day Presentation Swinging Bridge Band November 8, 2020 at 8:45 a.m. and 10 a.m.

- Maximum of 60 attendees per service, to accommodate social distancing.
- RSVP at (941)964-2479, info@bglighthouseumc.com or complete the form in the weekly newsletter.
- First-come-first-serve basis.
- In accordance with guidelines, there will be no congregational singing.
- Suggested donation for the band is \$20 per person.

Sanctuary Flowers

To beautify the Sanctuary, you are invited to place flowers in the chancel for Sunday Services. The total for two arrangements is \$75.00. To place flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please see the form in the weekly newsletter or contact the office at info@bglighthouseumc.com.

Weddings, Memorial Services, Columbarium

The Sanctuary is available for services of matrimony, funerals, and memorial services. For more information regarding facility use or columbarium inurnment, please visit www.bglighthouseumc.com or contact the church office at info@bglighthouseumc.com.

Shoebox Gifts for Kids' Needs of Englewood

This year, Lighthouse Church will be filling shoe boxes with gifts for Kids' Needs of Englewood. Please take a box or two on leaving the church. Boxes will be distributed for Christmas in early December. Contact Jean Steinman or Becca deRosa for more information.

Serving Today.

Usher: Don Farren
Liturgist: Ray Smedley

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of October 19, 2020

OPERATING BUDGET.....	\$643,000.00
OFFERING.....	\$460,897.00
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING	
YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND	
GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	\$313,881.00
Coming from:	
DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION	
GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....	\$89,140.00
(19% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)	
Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL	
SPONSORED MISSIONS.....	\$70,000.00
Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL	
PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....	\$154,741.00



LIGHTHOUSE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
of
BOCA GRANDE

October 25, 2020

Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost
Reformation Sunday

*Receiving the Light,
Being the Light,
Sharing the Light of Jesus Christ*



In the reading from Leviticus, the law of love is laid plainly before the Hebrew people. 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.