

January 30, 2022

8:30AM Service Third Sunday After the Epiphany

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



In Luke's Gospel, Jesus challenges those in his home town of Nazareth to have faith in him, as the fulfillment of the coming Kingdom of God. The listening crowd rejects Jesus and makes an attempt on his life. In Paul's famous teaching on love to the Corinthian church, the Apostle explains how true love is sacrificial, and stands above all things. Just as Jesus would ultimately yield his life out of love for us, so we too are called to live lives where faith, hope, and love abide.



Blended Service of Worship

8:30 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.

The congregation will speak the liturgy in bold print.

Gathering

God calls us together to offer praise, acknowledge sin, and celebrate our adoption as God's forgiven children.

GATHERING MUSIC

Worship Ensemble

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebecca deRosa, Lav Leader

+SONG OF PRAISE #

+OPENING PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kathy Peters

SONG OF WORSHIP



The Word is encountered in speech and song as scripture is interpreted and expounded.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

God of heaven, you send the Gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit in the reading of this word to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 N

NT Page #164

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:21-30

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The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

SERMON

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Response

We respond by lifting our prayers, and praising the triune God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #885

A Modern Affirmation

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347

"Spirit Song"

SPIRIT SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Larry Hannah

We pray to you, O Lord Lord, have Mercy

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

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

OFFERTORY

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

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Sending Forth

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with God's blessing to lives of service and love.

+SENDING FORTH

+BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 31—Harry Duke

February 2—Karen Hugger

February 3—Jackie Allen

February 3—Tom Cross

February 3—James Gregg Jr.

February 4—Betsy Joiner

February 4—Nancy Kershaw

February 6—John Cochran

February 6—Cheryl Schum Hopkins

February 7—Larry Allen

February 12—Barbara Stirling

Thank you for your ongoing investment in the life and ministry of Lighthouse United Methodist Church of Boca Grande.

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.



Prayers and Praises

Alicia Sarno Andrew Niblock Andy Billman Anne Harrington Anton Bobrovskiy Bill Paxton Bill Pierson Bob & Barbara Schoenfeld **Bob Young Bobby Funk** Boulder County, Colorado Brian Smith Carol Lee Lockey Carson Galloway Chris C.K. Kise Corky Burger Dee Swanson Dian Klepser Doug Stewart **Englewood Young Life** Geania Lasda Harrison Witt Merced Harry Cooke James McGauley Jean Sherer

Joan Gilman

JoAnne Speer Jon Laing Julie Peterson Karen Gulbish Lawrence Family Linda Evans Lynda and Bob Jamison Gwynnie Jamison Marlo Marbra Mary Phillips Max Phillips Meredith Wesby Mike Ratchford Myers Family Nick Johnston Pam & Norm Gavnor Pete Nicholas Sally Malecki Scott Danfelt Sonya Weinfeld Stan Tatko Steve Sue Siok Vera Youngling

William Collette



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

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are available throughout the summer. Should you need to speak with a Stephen Minister, please contact Ellie Durno at durno1@comcast.net

January Worship Services

Worship Services will offer a blended worship service at 8:30 AM and a traditional service at 10:30 AM. Sunday School will be offered during the 10:30 service for grades K-3 and Youth Study for grades 4 and up will meet immediately following the 10:30 service at 11:30 for 20 minutes. The nursery is staffed for toddlers during both services. Hospitality will resume in February between the 8:30 and 10:30 services.

Family Ministry Program

Lighthouse United Methodist Church is honored to walk with our children along their faith journey. We do so through the **WILD Center** where kids **Worship**, **Inspire**, **Learn**, and **Disciple**. Children in K-3rd grade are invited to join us following the 10:30 service Children's Message for Sunday School. Children in fourth grade and up are encouraged to attend worship service with their families, then meet with Ms. Kathy in the Leopard Lair from 11:30 AM – 11:50 AM for a brief bible study discussion while adults gather in Fellowship Hall.

"Souper" Bowl Sunday

Plans are underway for our second annual "Souper" Bowl for February 13. Please place your orders before Wed., Feb. 9. Proceeds will benefit the Family Ministries' ZOE Empowers Group.

Chatham Rabbits Tickets

If you purchased tickets for the Chatham Rabbits concert that was originally scheduled for January 15, please let the office know if you would like a refund or would like to donate your refund to the missions committee.

Englewood Helping Hand Food Bank

Members of our Mission Committee continue to collect nonperishable food items for the local food bank's ever-expanding need. Please place your donations in the blue barrels in front of the church and the administrative offices. They are much appreciated! We have also received a thank you note from Helping Hand for our help with filling backpacks for the homeless.

Lighthouse Men's Prayer Group

The men's prayer group meets on Thursdays from 8-9am in the new church conference room, led by Rich Steinhelper, for a study of Genesis: God's Book of Beginnings. Please join us!



Ushers: Madelaine and Colvin McCrady
Liturgist: Candy Rost

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT! Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness Our gifts as of January 24, 2022