

*March 13, 2022*

**8:30AM Service**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

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



The lessons today encourage us toward faith and hope. In Paul's letter to the church at Philippi, he expresses grief over those who live as enemies of the cross, who set their minds on earthly things. He encourages instead the heavenly citizenship, where all humiliations are transformed. In Luke's gospel, Jesus has harsh words for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, who have continually fallen away from the faith of their ancestors. He calls them to repent and return to the fold under God's wings and near to God's heart, a fitting invitation to all of God's people during this Lenten season.

## *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**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rebecca deRosa, Lay Leader

#### **SHARING THE LIGHT**

Zoe Empowers  
The Rev. Gaston Warner, CEO

#### **+SONG OF PRAISE**

*Everlasting God*

#### **+SONG OF PRAISE FWS #2001**

*We Sing to You, O God*

#### **+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

The Rev. Gaston Warner

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. 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!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God. Amen**

#### **SONG OF WORSHIP**

*El Shaddai*

John W. Thompson

## *Proclamation*

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

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)**

**Almighty God, in the hearing of your word and by the prayer and discipline of Lent, may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings and, by following in his way, come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

### **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Philippians 3:17-4:1 NT Page #187

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### **+GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 18:9-14 NT Page #76

The Word of God for the People of God  
**Thanks be to God**

### **SERMON**

The Rev. Gaston Warner

## *Response*

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

### **HYMN OF ADORATION #347**

"Spirit Song" SPIRIT SONG

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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**

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### **OFFERTORY**

"Be Thou My Vision" with "Center"  
traditional Irish hymn, Charlie Hall/Matt Redman, arr. Victor Labensk

### **+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

The Rev. Gaston Warner

## *Sending Forth*

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

### **+SENDING FORTH**

*Blessed Be Your Name* Beth Redman, Matt Redman

### **+BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Gaston Warner



## *Happy Birthday*

March 13—Joe Albertson

March 13—Shirley Kiervin

March 15—Al Nethery

March 19—Jim Paschall

March 21—Ron Wittenberg

March 25—Judy Sandbo

March 25—Francie Johnson

## *Happy Anniversary*

March 24—Judi & Ken Richardson

March 28—Jane & Ron Wittenberg

March 29—Bette & John Cochran



## *Prayers and Praises*

Andy Billman  
Andrew Niblock  
Andrew Roman  
Anne Harrington  
Anton Bobrovskiy  
Bill Paxton  
Bob Young  
Claudia Debus  
Dick & Carol Lee Lockey  
Dee Swanson  
Doug Bogart  
Doug Stewart  
Harrison Witt Merced  
Harry Cooke  
James Herd  
Jane Kaiser  
Joan Gilman  
JoAnne Speer  
Jon Laing

Julie Peterson  
Kirk Kundtz  
Lynda & Bob Jamison  
Gwynnie Jamison  
Lynn Kieffer  
Marin Shea and Family  
Marlo Marbra  
Martha Randall  
Max Phillips  
Myers Family  
Nick Johnston  
Pauline & John Mendez  
Pete Nicholas  
Sandra Maxwell  
Sonya Weinfeld  
Stan Tatko  
Theda & Wade Schulte  
Todd Barringer  
Vera Youngling

### **Prayers of General Intercession for:**

*Mitch & Debbie Martinez, Our Cuban Sister Churches, Dist. Supt. Thom Shafer, Bishop Ken Carter, Hope International, ECHO, Caring Partners, Agape Airlines, Englewood Helping Hand, Englewood Young Life, Habitat for Humanity, Kids Needs of Englewood, Florida United Methodist Children's Home, SOLVE Maternity Homes, The Charlotte County Homeless Coalition, UMW Missions, Stephen Ministry, and Twelve Churches (Doce Iglesias), Young Life, H.A.M., and ZOE Empowers.*

**Thank you for your ongoing investment in the life and ministry of Lighthouse United Methodist Church of Boca Grande. 2022 Pledge Cards are available in the pew back pockets.**

**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](http://www.bglighthouseumc.com) or contact the church office at [info@bglighthouseumc.com](mailto:info@bglighthouseumc.com).**

**We are blessed and honored to pray for your loved ones. Prayer requests will be kept on our church prayer list for 30 days unless we hear from you otherwise. Please keep us updated at 941-964-2479 or at [info@bglighthouseumc.com](mailto:info@bglighthouseumc.com)**

# 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](mailto:info@bglighthouseumc.com)

## Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are available should you need to speak with one. Please contact Ellie Durno at [durno1@comcast.net](mailto:durno1@comcast.net) to arrange a visit or call.

## Family Ministry Program

Lighthouse UMC 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-3<sup>rd</sup> 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 –11:50 AM for a brief bible study discussion while adults gather in Fellowship Hall.

## W.A.G. Club

Students in K-5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for Wednesday Afternoon Games (WAG) in Fellowship Hall from 3:00-4:30pm. They do not need to belong to the church to attend. We have the Obie Interactive Game, floor games, board games, and snacks each Wednesday for fun and fellowship!

## Join The Choir!

Our Chancel Choir will continue to sing each Sunday throughout the season. We are currently seeking new members! All are welcome to come to rehearsals on Thursdays from 4:00 – 5:15PM. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve our Lord through your musical gifts and talents.

## 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.

## 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!

## Come Hungry!

Weekly Lenten Pancake Breakfasts will begin on Thursday, March 17 through April 7 at 8am in Fellowship Hall. Many volunteers are needed. There are sign up forms in Fellowship Hall. Thanks in advance for lending a hand!

# Serving Today

**Ushers:** Jane and Ron Wittenberg

**Liturgist:** Colvin McCrady

**Hospitality Hosts:** Gretchen Bremer, Billie Deason

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**A Stephen Ministry Congregation**

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!**  
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness  
Our gifts as of February 22, 2022

OPERATING BUDGET.....	\$645,000.00
OFFERING.....	\$212,783.00
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	\$ 57,134.00
Coming from: DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....	\$ 35,012.00
(31% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)	
Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED MISSIONS.....	\$ 0.00
Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....	\$ 22,122.00