

Service of Worship

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.
The congregation will speak the liturgy in bold print.

Gathering

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

PRELUDE Festive Prelude on "Llanfair" Mary McDonald
Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Linden Hustedt
Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP
Christ is risen!
Christ 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

+SUNG RESPONSE "Glory Be to God, Creator" RENEWED
**Glory be to God, Creator, glory be to God the Son,
glory be to God the Spirit, known as
Three, yet God the One. As it was in the beginning,
it is now and so shall be in a world without ending,
glory through eternity. Holy, holy God Almighty, holy,
holy, Prince of Peace, holy, holy wind of Presence,
holy, holy, holy. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Peters
Coordinator of Family Ministries

WORSHIP IN MUSIC Christ Arose Tedd Smith & Don Hustad
Piano - Organ Duet

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Tina Schmidt
Director of Brand Strategy
ZOE Empowers

Proclamation

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

PRAYER FOR 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 sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 4:32-35 NT Page #114
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #307 "Christ is Risen" (vs. 1-2) W ZLOBIE LEZY
+FACE THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

+GOSPEL LESSON John 20:19-31 NT Page #108
The Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #307 "Christ is Risen" (vs. 3) W ZLOBIE LEZY
+FACE THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

MESSAGE Tina Schmidt

Response

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

+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.
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 the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in 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.**

CALL TO PRAYER Rich Steinhelper
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The congregation is invited to read and pray for the needs
on the prayer list at this time.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 Spirit Song SPIRIT SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rich Steinhelper
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
+DOXOLOGY #94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Sending Forth

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

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #2115 FWS vs. 1, 3, 4
"Christ Has Risen" HOLY MANNA

+BENEDICTION
Minister: We are sent forth in the power of
Christ's resurrection.
All: Alleluia!
Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all now and forever
more.
All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

+POSTLUDE Alleluia! Alleluia! Edward Broughton

**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

Men's Fellowship Group

The Men's Fellowship Group will be meeting every Thursday at 8 AM in the Fellowship Hall, except on holidays.

UMW News

The UMW will be finally having a general meeting this Monday, April 12, at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own bag lunch. Desserts and refreshments will be provided. Topic: *Where do we go from here?* Wearing masks and practicing social distance are encouraged.

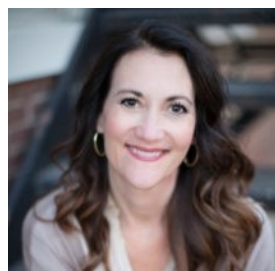
Sanctuary Flowers

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.

Empowering Children to Move Beyond Charity



Today, we welcome Tina Schmidt, Director of Brand Strategy at ZOE Empowers. Tina will be available after each service to answer any questions you may have about ZOE Empowers.

At ZOE, they are empowering orphaned and vulnerable children to become entrepreneurs who are socially, economically, and spiritually strong.

Serving Today

Liturgist: Candy Rost

Ushers: Howard and Marilyn Witt - 10:30 AM

Contact Us

PO Box 524, Boca Grande, FL 33921
941-964-2479

www.bglighthouseumc.com

info@bglighthouseumc.com

www.facebook.com/bglighthouseumc



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Contacts

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams, Senior Pastor
mwilliams@bglighthouseumc.com

Rich Steinhilber, Minister of Pastoral Care
rsteinhilber@bglighthouseumc.com

Kathy Peters, Coordinator of Family Ministries
kpeters@bglighthouseumc.com

Hermila Perreault, Administrative Assistant
hperreault@bglighthouseumc.com

Cindy Handrick, Financial Assistant
chandrick@bglighthouseumc.com

David Hamblin, Director of Music
dhamblin@bglighthouseumc.com

Philip Eyrich, Director of Blended Worship Music
peyrich@bglighthouseumc.com

Mike Hilton, Audio/Video Technician
mhilton@bglighthouseumc.com

Cindy Crespo, Sexton

Gabriela Crespo, Nursery Attendant

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of April 6, 2021

OPERATING BUDGET.....\$630,000.00

OFFERING.....\$309,563.00

OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING

YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND

GLOBAL MISSIONS.....\$82,431.00

Coming from:

DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION

GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....\$42,715.00

(3% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)

Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

SPONSORED MISSIONS.....\$25,000.00

Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL

PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....\$14,716.00



LIGHTHOUSE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BOCA GRANDE

April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

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



The gospel lesson on 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. The lesson from 1 John speaks to how the first Christians sought to shape their life given the reality of the resurrection. Learning to walk in the light of Christ is the constant calling of all who seek to have fellowship with the Father.