Service of Worship

+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.



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

PRELUDE The Day of Resurrection Dan R. Edwards 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 #304

"Easter People, Raise Your Voices" REGENT SQUARE

+OPENING PRAYER

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread:

Open the eyes of our faith,

that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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

Anna Boney

WORSHIP IN MUSIC I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked Geoffrey O'Hara

David Hamblin - Soloist



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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life as we hear your holy word. In your name we pray, Amen.

PSALTER #741 Psalm 4

Response:

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole. Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

> You have given me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

Sung Response

NT Page #112-113

How long, O people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love with vain words, and seek after lies?

But know that the Lord has set apart the righteous as God's own:

The Lord hears when I call.

Response:

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole. Be angry, but do not sin;

> commune with you own hearts in your beds, and be silent.

Offer right sacrifices.

and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many who say, "O that we might see some good!

> Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord!"

You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine about.

> In peace I will both lie down and sleep: for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

Response:

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole.

Acts 3:1-19

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #318 "Christ is Alive" (vs. 1-3) TRURO

+FACE THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

+GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:36b-48 NT Page #85 The Word of God for the people of God Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #318 "Christ is Alive" (vs. 4-5) TRURO +FACE THE GOSPEL PROCESSION

SERMON Ordinary People The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams



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

+THE NICENE CREED #880

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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

Hears us, O God. Your mercy is great.

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

+DOXOLOGY #94

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Rich Steinhelper

Sending Forth

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

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #308 "Thine Be the Glory"

JUDAS MACCABEUS

+BENEDICTION

Minister: We are sent forth in the power of

Christ's resurrection.

All: Alleluia!

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, Minister:

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 The Strife Is O'er Robert Lau

> 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.

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Missions

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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

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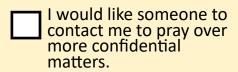
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We are honored that you are here! If you are a first time guest, please pick up a gift mug as a token of our gratitude for your presence here today. All are welcome into the congregational life, ministry, and membership of Lighthouse United Methodist 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

On Monday, April 12, the UMW had a lovely gathering of 34 women for our first and last general meeting this season. Our new 2021-2022 UMW Board of Directors was announced and they are:

- Peggy Saewert President
- Barb O'Connell Vice President
- Marsy Doan Secretary
- Jan Myers Treasurer
- Elsa Soderberg Missions
- Judy Thomas and Gretchen Bremer Hospitality
- Kathi Hustedt Devotions and Prayer Warriors
- Billie Deason and Dian Klepser Past Co-Presidents

Our Strawberry Festival Chairpersons are:

- Deb Houck
- Jan Myers
- Elsa Soderberg

We look forward to seeing everyone in the fall!

Instant Church Directory

Today and next Sunday, April 25, from 9:45 AM to 10:15 AM, Rich Steinhelper is hosting a training session in the Choir Room. Please bring your tablet or cell phone so that Rich can help you upload the application. If you don't have a mobile device, we can print a copy of the directory for you. Please call the church office at 941-964-2479 or email us at info@bglighthouseumc.com with your request.

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.



Liturgist: Candy Rost

Ushers: Bill and Jean Steinman - 8:30 AM
Howard and Marilyn Witt - 10:30 AM
Acolyte: Mary Katharine Boney



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT! Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness Our aifts as of April 12, 2021 OPERATING BUDGET.... .\$630,000.00 .\$314,665.00 **OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING** YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS. .\$86,281.00 Coming from: **DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION** GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET. \$45,715.00 (16% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE) Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED MISSIONS. \$25,000.00 Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUALCONGREGATIONAL PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.. .\$15,566.00



April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

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



Today's lesson from Luke reveals the mystery and wonder of Jesus' glorified resurrection body. Simultaneously recognizable and different, Jesus reassures his disciples that he is not a ghost by eating in their presence. Jesus then opens his disciples' minds to understand the scriptures—how the law, prophets, and psalms all point to their fulfillment in him. This supernatural illumination of the scriptures is a gift offered to inspire the preaching of the Gospel to all nations, as we too are called to cry out like the psalmist "Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"