

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

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

PRELUDE Just a Closer Walk with Thee Traditional

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rebecca deRosa

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 111

Come, and praise God!
In the company of the God's people,
let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**Great are the works of God,
full of glory and majesty.**
Our God is gracious and compassionate;
our God is merciful and forgiving
**our God is faithful and trustworthy,
our God is just and good.**
So come, let's worship God together.
God's praise will last forever!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN FWS #2190
"Bring Forth the Kingdom" BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

+OPENING PRAYER Kathy Peters
Lord of life and hope, we gather this day
seeking nourishment for our souls
and healing for our spirits.
Give to us your living bread,
that having been nourished in soul and spirit,
we may be witnesses to your transforming love.
Through the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ,
the Bread of Life, we offer this prayer.
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.**

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Kathy Peters
BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

WORSHIP IN MUSIC Give Thanks Henry Smith, arr. Mark Hayes

Proclamation

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
**God of glory, the end of our searching, please send your
Holy Spirit of wisdom upon us now to illumine your word
and inspire our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

EPISTLE LESSON Ephesians 5:15-20 NT Page #183
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #598 "O Word of God Incarnate" MUNICH
(VS. 1-2)

+GOSPEL LESSON John 6:51-58 NT Page #93
The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #598 "O Word of God Incarnate" MUNICH
(VS. 3-4)

SERMON Giving and Taking Thanks The Rev. Gary Gottfried

Response

We respond by affirming our faith, 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.**

CALL TO PRAYER Rebecca deRosa
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
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

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. Gary Gottfried

OFFERTORY Meditation on "Power in the Blood"
Lewis E. Jones, arr. Mark L. Williams

+DOXOLOGY #94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God all creatures here below!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**
**Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION The Rev. Gary Gottfried

Sending Forth

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

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #451
"Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Gary Gottfried

+POSTLUDE Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
John Hughes, arr. Humphrey Turner

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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

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are available throughout the summer. Should
you need to speak with a Stephen Minister, please contact Ray
Smedley at snidleywhiplash114@yahoo.com or Ellie Durno at
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Family Ministry Program

Today, we are welcoming our children back to school!
Lighthouse UMC is honored to walk with our children along their
faith journey. We strive to bring Bible stories to life, guide them in
going to God in prayer, and grow their personal relationship with
Jesus. Jesus loves them and so do we!

Welcome to the **WILD** Center where kids...
Worship, Inspire, Learn, Disciple.

**The
Cub's Den**



**Sunday School for
Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers**

Fun with Gabriela!



August 15	Who Is Jesus?
August 22	Peek-a boo Jesus
August 29	Where is Jesus?

**The
Bird Cage**




**Sunday School for
Kindergarten through 3rd Grade**

Lego Lessons: Some Assembly Required












August 15	Following Directions
August 22	Putting it All Together
August 29	Finishing the Build

**The
Leopard Lair**



**Sunday School for
4th Grade and Up**

Anatomy of the Bible



August 15	Testaments and Sections
August 22	Law and History
August 29	The Prophets

Serving Today

Liturgist: Bradford Boney
Ushers: Jane and Ron Wittenberg
Hospitality Host: Kathy Peters
Acolyte: Mary Katherine Boney

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of August 9, 2021

OPERATING BUDGET.....	<u>\$630,000.00</u>
OFFERING.....	<u>\$459,644.00</u>
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING	
YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND	
GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	<u>\$199,798.00</u>

Coming from:
DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION
GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....\$105,211.00
(27% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)

Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED
MISSIONS.....\$25,000.00

Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL
PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....\$69,587.00



August 15, 2021

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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



Psalm 111 is full of exuberant praise of God's goodness
and ends by reminding us that "the fear of the lord is the
beginning of wisdom". Across the witness of scripture,
we see one of the Holy Spirit's roles as being the bringer
of wisdom, through which we are invited to live a life
guided by divine truth. St. Paul teaches the church at
Ephesus to overflow with thanksgiving to our heavenly
Father, and in our Gospel passage Jesus invites us into
intimate relationship with the Godhead by sharing in the
eucharistic feast. This invitation to personal and
corporate relationship with the Trinity is awe-inspiring,
and we can rejoice that we have the Spirit to guide us
along the way.