# 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. For those with infants a staffed nursery is available.

# WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE (9:55 AM)

A Mighty Fortress Martin Luther Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

#### +CALL TO WORSHIP

We, who are many, are transformed to become one in Christ. We, who are many, are called to worship God,

the Three in One. Let us worship God.

# +PROCESSIONAL HYMN #568

"Christ for the World We Sing" Italian Hymn

#### **+OPENING PRAYER**

Ever-present God, who is at the side of every creature in creation, renew our lives so that we may discern and do your will, what is good and acceptable and perfect. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### **+PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

#### +SONG OF PEACE #328

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Wolfe

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Tabitha Jordan

# WE HEAR THE WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

God of glory, the end of our searching, inspire us through your word and help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and encourage us to give all that we have to discover life with you, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **EPISTLE LESSON** Romans 12: 1-8 Pew Bible NT Page 151 The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

#### +GRADUAL HYMN #175

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" vs. 1-2 St. Agnes The Gospel is processed to the center of the congregation to signify that it is central to the church, our faith, and our lives.

#### +GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 16: 13-20 Pew Bible NT Page 17 The Word of God for the People of God Thanks be to God

#### +GRADUAL HYMN #175

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" vs. 3-4 St Agnes

#### **SERMON**

"What's That You Say?" Reverend Matthew M. Williams

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

# **+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.

The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy \*catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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#### +GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

# **HYMN OF ADORATION #347** vs. 1

"Spirit Song"

Spirit Song

#### **MORNING 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

#### **OFFERTORY**

The Church's One Foundation Samuel S. Wesley Arr. Cindy Berry

# +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**

# WE BEAR THE WORD IN THE WORLD

# +RECESSIONAL HYMN #399

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Messiah

#### +BENEDICTION Reverend Matthew M. Williams The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy spirit be with

you all. *Amen*.

Onward, Christian Soldiers Arthur S. Sullivan **+POSTLUDE** 

# **CONNECT CARD**

# WELCOME! We'd like to

help you get connected.

Please fill out this card & place it on the offering plate

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Let us know how we can reach out to
you!
Name
Address
City
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How long have you attended LH Church?
1st time guest 2nd time guest
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Small Groups	

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United Methodist Women

Men's Prayer Group

Strawberry Festival Volunteer

**Stephen Ministry** 

Greeting and Ushering

Communion Stewardship

Fellowship Hour Hospitality

Singing in the Choir

## **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.

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PRAYER REQUESTS ARE HONOREL
UNTIL NOTIFICATION IS RECEIVED
OTHERWISE. PLEASE KEEP US UP
DATED AT 941-964-2479

	I would like someone to
	contact me to pray over
	more confidential
	matters.

# **WELCOME!**

All are welcome into the life and ministry of the United Methodist Church. We are honored that you are here. Please join us for refreshments after the service in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will worship with us again as we continue to discover the difference God's love makes in our lives! For those with infants, a staffed nursery is available; please ask one of the ushers for directions.

# SUMMER USHERS, LITURGISTS AND COMMUNION STEWARDS NEEDED!

**PLEASE** consider offering your gifts during the summer by ushering, reading the scripture, or serving as communion stewards. Sign up sheets are in Fellowship Hall or contact Amanda at 941-964-2479/apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

#### **STAY CONNECTED THIS SUMMER!**

Don't forget that you can keep up with the Lighthouse Church through viewing our sermons at www.bglighthouseumc.com, and, our Sunday Morning service at 10:30 AM is Live Streamed on our church Facebook page. You can find this at www.facebook.com/bglighthouseumc.

#### JOIN REVEREND MATTHEW AND JOY WILLIAMS

Bible Land Exploration Pilgrimage: October 24-November 2, 2017 Journey in the footsteps of Jesus and learn why scholars refer to the Holy Land as the 'Fifth Gospel'. Contact www.EO.travel, 800-247-0017 for more information about this exciting opportunity! Brochures are in the Fellowship Hall

#### FLORIDA CONFERENCE EASTER PILGRIMAGE TOUR OF ITALY

Led by Bishop Carter, travelers will visit Venice, Assisi, Siena, Florence and Rome while studying the Gospel of Mark and the legacy of Peter during April 3-12, 2018. Included: All inclusive pricing, domestic and international airfare, breakfast & dinner daily, all program and entrance fees, deluxe motor coach transportation, first class hotels and guided tours. Visit the Florida Conference website for more information.

http://www.flumc.org/opportunitydetail/8868904

http://www.eo.travelwithus.com/tours/it18-f#.WYsNI1GGOUn

#### **LABOR DAY HOLIDAY**

The Church Administration Office will be CLOSED on Monday, September 4 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness Our gifts as of August 20, 2017

**OPERATING BUDGET** 

\$564,000.00

PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED

\$341,285.00

**MISSION GIVING** 

\$ 100,170.00

# SPECIAL THANKS FOR SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY!

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

**Ushers:** Jane & Ron Wittenberg

**Liturgist:** Ellie Young

Hospitality Host: Susan Hanafee & Ian Rogerson
Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton
Sunday School: Leslie Barrett



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Cindy Crespo, Sexton
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# August 27, 2017 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



Paul's letter to the church in Rome provides concrete wisdom on how to enact one's faith in community, emphasizing love and sharing one another's burdens. In Matthew's gospel, Jesus reminds his disciples that following him may require sacrifice, but that in losing their lives, they will discover their life again.