

# 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** *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Matt Limbaugh

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

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Ed Paxton, Lay Leader

**FORWARD IN FAITH UPDATE** Lindy Hustedt

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**+CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus the Good Shepherd calls our names to come and follow him.

*His voice, speaking our names, draws us to him.*

We follow without fear, for the shepherd cares for us.

*Our hearts rejoice and we can place our trust in the Good Shepherd.*

Come, let us enter the gate with thanksgiving!

*Let us go forth confidently with songs of praise! Amen.*

**+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #138**

*"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"* St. Columba

**+GLORIA PATRI #70** Meineke

**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.**

**+OPENING PRAYER**

Patient and loving God, we stand at the gate and peer through. We keep creating our own ways, believing that we know what is in our own best interest, and we ignore the voice of the one Shepherd who will guide us to peace and hope. We wander aimlessly and then wonder why we get so lost. Help us stop and listen to the Shepherd's voice. Let us place our trust in the Shepherd who has never failed us, who loves and guides our lives. **Amen.**

**+PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

**+SONG OF PEACE** "Bind Us Together" Bind Us Together

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (10:30 AM) Tabitha Jordan

Children who wish to attend Sunday School are dismissed to Classroom A

**WORSHIP IN MUSIC**

Brother James' Air Stan Pethel

Lighthouse Choir

## We Hear the Word

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** (In unison)

**Loving God, we pray that your Holy Spirit will strengthen us to be devoted to the teachings of your Word, that through it we may hear your voice and follow it into eternal life. Amen.**

**PSALM**

Psalm 23 Pew Bible OT Page 474

The Word of the Lord

*Thanks be to God*

**+GRADUAL HYMN #381** vs. 1-2

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Bradbury

*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**

John 10: 11-18 Pew Bible NT Page 97

The Word of God for the People of God

*Thanks be to God*

**+GRADUAL HYMN #381** vs. 3-4

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* Bradbury

**SERMON** The Good Shepherd Pastor Tabitha Jordan

## 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.**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** continued....

**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.**

*\*universal*

**HYMN OF ADORATION #347**

*"Spirit Song"* Spirit Song

**THE LORD'S PRAYER #895**

**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**

**MORNING PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY**

*The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* Wilbur Held

**+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 #545**

*"The Church's One Foundation"* Aurelia

**+BENEDICTION**

Pastor Tabitha Jordan

Go now with your trust in the good shepherd, and let us love, not just in words, but in truth and action.

**+POSTLUDE** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Robert Lau

## 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

## 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!

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 between the services 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.

**ISLAND YOUTH GROUP** - Wednesday nights at 6:00PM

Contact Tabitha Jordan for more information

**NICARAGUA MEDICAL MISSION TEAM** Sign ups have begun for the October Medical Mission Team, traveling to Leon, Nicaragua on Oct. 13-20, to serve the Twelve Churches Community. We are looking for doctors, nurses, and non medical volunteers. The deadline to sign up is May 1. There is also a Construction Missions trip scheduled for Oct. 21-27. Please contact Sheila Dorst with questions and for more information.

### REVEREND WILLIAMS GUEST SPEAKER AT EPWORTH

As a guest of the Epworth Church Association, Rev. Williams will be preaching at the Epworth Assembly Auditorium in Ludington, Michigan, Sunday morning, June 3 at 10:30 AM. He also will be leading evening Vespers and Monday Musings, which are also open to the public.

We have many parishioners whose summer homes are in driving distance to Ludington. All are welcome to attend.

### UMCOR ALLOCATES \$46 MILLION FOR DISASTER RECOVERY

A new round of grants from the United Methodist Committee on Relief – including \$16.8 million to the Methodist Church of Puerto Rico – will build upon the denomination's response to Hurricanes Maria, Irma and Harvey. Approved April 13 by UMCOR's board of directors, the more than \$46 million in grants also will further assist recovery efforts related to last year's Northern California fires and the historic 2016 flooding in Louisiana. Hurricane Maria, which struck Puerto Rico on Sept. 20, was the worst storm to hit the island in 80 years, and its aftermath created a humanitarian crisis.

### STAY CONNECTED AND STAY COMMITTED!

Please remember that during the off season we still need ushers, liturgists, hospitality hosts, and communion stewards. Sign up sheets are in Fellowship Hall. And, don't forget to visit our Lighthouse Church website at [bglighthouseumc.com](http://bglighthouseumc.com) and listen to and view each week's sermon during the summer months.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of April 15, 2018

2018 OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$298,662.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$19,483.00</u>
UMW MISSIONS	<u>\$59,840.00</u>
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN	<u>\$1,392,582.00</u>

## Special Thanks for Serving in the Lord's House today!

**Ushers:** Pam & Larry Hannah

**Acolyte & Cross Bearer:** Abigail Turner

**Liturgist:** Lynda Jamison

**Audio Visual Technology:** Mike Hilton

**Sunday School:** Leslie Barrett

**Hospitality:** Sheila & Bob Dorst



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Abigail Turner, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE  
**Lighthouse Church**  
A United Methodist Congregation

**April 22, 2018**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light**



God as a Shepherd of his people is not just a New Testament idea. From Genesis 48 and forward God is referenced as the Shepherd of his people many times. The idea of God as shepherd emphasizes the intuitive relationship a shepherd has with his sheep. A Good Shepherd would know each of their sheep by name and was willing to keep them from danger, even at the risk of their own lives. This week we look more into what it meant for Jesus to identify himself as the Good Shepherd and what that means for us today.