

Service of Worship

10 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, acknowledge sin
and celebrate adoption as God's forgiven children.

PRELUDE "God and the Nation" John Sciveyner
Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ed Paxton

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 48

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God.
We ponder your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.
Your name, O God, like your praise,
reaches to the end of the earth.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #698
"God of Our Fathers" NATIONAL HYMN

+COLLECT FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY
From the Book of Common Prayer

Lord God Almighty,
in whose Name the founders of this
country won liberty for themselves and for us,
and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn:
Grant that we and all the people of this land
may have grace to maintain our
liberties in righteousness and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins before God and one another:
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

(Silent Prayer)

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

+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 My America Joyce Eilers Bacar
Duet - Jackie Allen, David Hamblin

Proclamation

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Almighty Father, send down upon your Church the
riches of your Spirit and kindle in the hearts of us who
hear your word your countless gifts of grace; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 OT Page #267
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #572 "Pass it On" (vs. 1) PASS IT ON

+GOSPEL LESSON Mark 6:1-13 NT Page #38
The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #572 "Pass it On" (vs. 3) PASS IT ON

HOMILY The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Response

We respond by affirming our faith, lifting our prayers,
setting the table, and praising the triune God.

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 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.

CALL TO PRAYER The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
The Lord be with you
And also with you

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Independence Day Prayer Insert
with "America the Beautiful"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Eternal Father, Strong to Save J.B. Dykes/arr. John Innes
Piano and Organ Duet

+DOXOLOGY #94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church has an open communion.
All are invited to partake despite denominational
or religious affiliation.

COMMUNION MEDITATION Let Freedom Ring David Paxton

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Musical Setting A

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION
A Nation's Hymn of Peace Franklin Ritter
Meditation on "American Hymn" James Mansfield

POST COMMUNION PRAYER The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Sending Forth

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

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #717
"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"
(VS. 1, 3, 4) BATTLE HYMN

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE My Country, 'Tis of Thee Edward Broughton

Thank you for your ongoing investment in the life
and ministry of Lighthouse United Methodist Church
of Boca Grande.



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

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.

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 durno1@comcast.net

Family Ministry Program

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. We eagerly welcome all children of all ages into our Family Ministry program. Jesus loves them and so do we!

Happy Independence Day!

Wishing all of you a Safe and Happy 4th of July!

Church Office Schedule

Our regular church office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, except for holidays.

The church office will be closed this Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day.

Serving Today

Liturgist: Pat Witschonke
Ushers: Jane and Ron Wittenberg
Communion Stewards: Larry and Pam Hannah
Acolyte: Ethan M. Williams

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Gabriela Crespo, Nursery Attendant

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of June 30, 2021

OPERATING BUDGET.....	\$630,000.00
OFFERING.....	\$434,015.00
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	\$188,430.00

Coming from: DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET..... (30% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)	\$101,043.00
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Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED MISSIONS.....	\$25,000.00
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Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....	\$62,387.00
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July 4, 2021

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

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



Today's Scripture readings remind us that true power comes only from God. David is anointed King over Israel because he is blessed with our Father's favor. The Apostle Paul beautifully describes one of the profound truths of the Cross—that our power is made perfect in weakness. In the Gospel reading, Jesus calls us into a radical dependence on him when he sends his disciples out with only a staff, tunic, and sandals. This combination of radical dependence and humble faith invites the Holy Spirit to bring divine power into our everyday lives.