Praise and Worshil

8:45 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 our adoption as God's forgiven children.

GATHERING MUSIC A New Hallelujah

Deborah D. Smith, Michael W. Smith, Paul Baloche

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linden Hustedt Lay Leader Peter Soderbera

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION 2021 UPDATE

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion,

In Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess we speak when we should listen and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. In His name we pray. Amen.

+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.

+SONGS OF PRAISE

Our God Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

What a Beautiful Name

Ben Fielding, Brooke Ligertwood

Proclamation

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison) Pastor and Congregation Eternal God, as we are inspired by your word, give us insight to discern your will for us, to give up what harms us, and to seek the perfection we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

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The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams



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

CALL TO PRAYER

Rich Steinhelper

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The congregation is invited to read and pray for the needs on the prayer list at this time.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church has an open communion. All are invited to partake despite denominational or religious affiliation. Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic Holy Communion in being served in individual cups. If you did not receive a cup when you entered, the ushers will provide you with one. The bread provided in the top of the cup is Gluten free and is unleavened.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP **+POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Sending Forth

+SONG OF PRAISE

Lead Me to The Cross Brooke Ligertwood

+BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

+SENDING FORTH

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.

Easter Services are being celebrated on Sunday, April 4, at 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM. They will be identical, festive liturgical worship services featuring a Brass Quartet, the Viscount organ, Percussion and our Praise Ensemble.

Sunday School will welcome children during the 10:30 AM service with a telling of the Easter Story through Resurrection Eggs. Three classes will ensure safe social distancing and an intimate discussion about the risen Christ. All children ages 5-12 are invited to join us.

Please consider offering your gifts at either service by serving as ushers. We need 4 ushers for the 8:30 AM Easter service and 4 ushers for the 10:30 AM service.

Mark your calendars and make your reservations. We look forward to worshipping with you as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Temple