

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

PRELUDE To Greet the Morning David Paxton

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rebecca deRosa, Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP The Easter Acclamation from Psalm 30

We will extol you, O Lord, we sing your praises
Our weeping lingered for the night but joy came in the morning.
You established us as a strong mountain.
We shall not be moved!

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
The Lord is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #173
"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" RATISBON

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION
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 your 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.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

+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.

+OPENING PRAYER
God of power and might, let your love shine on us and through us to others. Take the blindness from our eyes and our hearts. Give us the joy of knowing and serving you in all that we say, think and do. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
Gabriela Crespo, Allie teVelde

RECOGNITION OF MOVING UP STUDENTS
Sophie Benson, Hampton Boney, Annabelle teVelde, James teVelde

CHOIR ANTHEM Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place
Lanny Wolfe, arr. John Oddo

Proclamation

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: as we are inspired by your word today, strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 9:1-20 NT Page #119-120
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #398
"Jesus Calls Us" GALILEE

+GOSPEL LESSON John 21:1-19 NT Page #109-110
The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

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 #882 The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living 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.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 "Spirit Song" SPIRIT SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
We pray to you, O Lord.
Lord have mercy.

OFFERTORY PRAYER The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

OFFERTORY Blessed Assurance
Phoebe Knapp, arr. Nigel 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. 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
Spirit of the Living God Daniel Iverson

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING #17 MUSICAL SETTING A

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.

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION
The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power Andrae Crouch
Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus Helen H. Lemmel
Amazing Grace arr. Edwin O. Excell

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 #377
"It Is Well With My Soul" VILLE DU HAVRE

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!
Oliver Holden, James Ellor, arr. Anna Laura Page

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

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.



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 to assist you. If you need to speak with a Stephen Minister, please contact Ellie Durno at durno1@comcast.net.

Worship Services

Worship Services will be offered each week at 10:00 AM with nursery service available for both babies and toddlers during all services.

Family Ministry Program

Lighthouse UMC is honored to walk with our children along their faith journey in the **WILD Center** where kids **Worship, Inspire, Learn,** and **Disciple**. Children in K-3rd grade are invited to join us following the 10:00 service Children's Message for Sunday School. Fourth grade and up meet in the Leopard Lair following service for a brief bible study discussion while adults gather in Fellowship Hall.

W.A.G. (Wednesday Afternoon Games) Club for Kids

W.A.G. Club will continue through the end of June in our game room from 3:00-4:30 for students in grades K – 5 to enjoy our new Obie game system, floor games, board games, and a light snack. Students do not need to be a member of the church to participate and the program is free of charge for all. We will take a break in July and August, then resume in September.

Englewood Helping Hand Food Bank

Members of our Mission Committee continue to collect nonperishable food items for the local food bank's ever-expanding need. Please place your donations in the blue barrels in front of the church and the administrative offices.

JoAnne Speer Celebration of Life

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 11:00am in the Lighthouse UMC Sanctuary as we celebrate the life of JoAnne Speer. The family invites all in attendance to a reception in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.

Williams Family Reception

Thank you to all who attended the celebration of Matthew, Joy and Ethan on Sunday, April 24 following the 10:00 service. Nearly 200 members of our church family were on hand to wish the Williams family well in their new endeavors as they transition to Trinity United Methodist Church in Tallahassee.

Lighthouse Men's Prayer Group

The men's prayer group meets every Thursday at 8:00am in the connector conference room. All men are invited – please join us!

Serving Today

Liturgist: Joan Senior

Ushers: Bob and Sheila Dorst

Communion Stewards: Larry Hannah, Rebecca deRosa

Hospitality: Bob and Sheila Dorst, Cindy Crespo

Acolyte: Amelia teVelde

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of March 25, 2022

OPERATING BUDGET.....	\$645,000.00
OFFERING.....	\$356,003.00
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	\$216,299.00

Coming from:
DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION
GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....
(41% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)

	\$92,756.00
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Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED
MISSIONS.....

	\$95,000.00
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Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL
PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....

	\$28,543.00
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May 1, 2022

10:00 AM Worship Service

**Third Sunday of Easter
Graduation & Moving Up Sunday**

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



The scripture lessons today are characterized by pivotal encounters with God. The conversion of Paul in Acts is one of the more dramatic accounts in Scripture about the power of God to transform lives—the foremost persecutor of the early church becomes its leading champion. John's gospel describes Jesus giving Peter the opportunity to reaffirm his love for Christ. After Peter declares his commitment, Jesus charges Peter to "Feed my sheep." This command reveals the good news of Christ's resurrected life—a life devoted to the care and service of others.