

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)

More Love to Thee, O Christ

James Southbridge

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 31

In you, Lord, I have taken refuge
Let me never be put to shame.
Deliver me in your righteousness.
Turn your ear to me.
Come quickly to my rescue.
Be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.
Since you are my rock and my fortress, lead and guide me, for the sake of your name.
Let your face shine upon your servant.
Save me in your unfailing love!

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #126

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Mit Freuden Zart

+OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, on this day of the festival of the Christian Home, the celebration of Mother’s Day, the witness to the eternal love of Christ, remind us that we are responsible for caring for each other. We are called to lift up rather than tear down; to support rather than abandon, to reach out when others have turned away. Give us hearts of love that, in all places and times, we may be a witness to the hope that is found in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

+GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #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.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE #572

vs. 1,3

“Pass It On”

Pass It On

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Tabitha Jordan

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

MESSAGE IN SONG

A Mother’s Eyes Reflect the Love of Heaven

Stephen Jones

Jackie Allen, Soloist

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: as we discover more of you in the scriptures today, give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

I Peter 2: 2-10

Pew Bible NT Page 219

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #445

“Happy the Home When God Is There”

vs. 1-2

St. Agnes

The Gospel is processed to the center of the congregation to signify that it is central to our church, our faith, and our lives.

+GOSPEL LESSON

John 14: 1-14

Pew Bible NT Page 102

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION #445

“Happy the Home When God Is There”

vs. 3-4

St. Agnes

SERMON

Living Stones

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle’s 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.

continued...

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.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347

vs. 1

“Spirit Song”

Spirit Song

MORNING PRAYER

Tabitha Jordan

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. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Deep Spring

James Southbridge

+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 #701

“When We all Get to Heaven”

Heaven

+BENEDICTION

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

Dale Wood

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 UP-DATED AT 941-964-2479

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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 small children, a staffed nursery is available; please ask one of the ushers for directions.

STAY CONNECTED THIS SUMMER!

Please remember that you can keep up with the Lighthouse Church through viewing our sermons at www.bglighthouseumc.com and our Sunday Morning service at 10:00 AM is Live Streamed on our church Facebook page. You can find this at www.facebook.com/bglighthouseumc. We hope that these avenues enable you to continue to worship and stay connected with our congregation over the summer.

THANK YOU FROM HARRY CHAPIN FOOD BANK!

This year's drive in Boca Grande netted over 1,200 lbs. of food. This contribution, plus the revenue generated from the "Taste of Boca" event provided an important segment of the 2016/2017 Harry Chapin hunger relief effort. Thanks from Nick Kaiser and Jim Cochrun, Harry Chapin volunteers!

GRADUATION SUNDAY

During the weekly service on Sunday, May 21, all our Island Youth Group high school seniors will be recognized as they graduate and begin the next phase of their lives. Please join us in congratulating them and wishing them future success and happiness!

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT CUBA MISSION EVENT

On Monday, May 15 at 6:00 PM, Lighthouse Church will host Pastor/District Superintendent Isel and Liset Acanda from the Holquin Norte District, Cuba at a dinner in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited! Please bring a covered dish that will coordinate with ham. Please contact the church office at 941-964-2479 to make reservations and/or contact Ross Witschonke and Kathi Hustedt with questions and for more information.

ZOE HELPS

Last year Lighthouse UMC adopted a new mission: ZOE: Helping Children Help Themselves. Last week we received pictures and the names of the 29 households and 97 children we are now supporting. Please visit www.zoehelps.org and pick up one of the brochures in the Fellowship Hall to learn more.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

The Church Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of May 7, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$192,729.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 94,354.00</u>

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

Ushers: Elsa and Peter Soderberg

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: Joan Senior

Hospitality Host: Pat Witschonke

Audio Visual Technology: Grant Reeher

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Cindy Crespo, Sexton

Linda Conklin, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

May 14, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Festival of the Christian Home/Mother's Day

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



What does it mean to be a Christian community? As we move deeper into the season of Easter, the scriptures reflect on this question. In the John's gospel, Jesus identifies himself as the way, the truth, and the life, and he invites his disciples to participate in this way. In 1 Peter, the author speaks of disciples as living stones who will be gathered and bound together for the building of a spiritual house—the Church. Churches are not simply places of aesthetic beauty, but buildings of living and active stones.