

Service of Worship

8:30 and 10:30 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.

A Celebration of Praise

MUSIC MINISTRY SUNDAY

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

(8:25 & 10:25 AM)

Prelude on “Engelbert”

Robert W. Thyge

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nick Kaiser

FORWARD IN FAITH UPDATE

Steve Kieffer and Pat Witschonke

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to the Church on the Island

Mary McDonald

Choir

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #68

“When in Our Music God is Glorified”

Engelberg

+OPENING PRAYER

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL ANTHEM

A Closer Walk with Thee

Choir

Stan Pethel

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

(10:30 AM)

Tabitha Jordan

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

CHORAL ANTHEM

Jesus Loves Me

Choir

Joel Raney

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

(In unison)

Liturgist and Congregation

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts; as we hear your word today come among us and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PSALM

Psalms 107: 1-3, 17-22

Pew Bible OT Page 528-529

The Word of the Lord

Thanks b e to God

CHORAL ANTHEM WITH CONGREGATION

Rain Down

(see insert)

Jaime Cortez

+GOSPEL LESSON

John 3: 14-21

Pew Bible NT 88-89

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

HOMILY

O Give Thanks to the Lord

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Come to the Water

Choir

John B. Foley, S.J.

MORNING PRAYER

Reverend Matthew M. Williams

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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Amazing Grace

Choir

Jack Schrader

+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 #126

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Mit Freuden Zart

+BENEDICTION

A Blessing of Light

Choir

Joseph M. Martin


+POSTLUDE

Sing Praise to God

David Paxton

If you enjoy singing and were inspired by the service today, please consider joining the Lighthouse Choir. Contact our Music Director, David Hamblin, for more information.

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 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
MOM'S NIGHT OUT—Mondays at 5:30
March 5 & 19, April 9 & 23 and May 7 & 21
Contact Tabitha Jordan with questions and for more information.

PASTOR'S LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Rev. Williams will be offering a Lenten Bible on Tuesday from 11:00 AM - 12:00 noon until March 27. The studies will be based on the book *24 Hours That Changed the World*, which focuses on the last day of the life of Jesus. The sessions will conclude with a short lunch of soup and bread. Books are \$15.00 and are optional. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall and indicate if you'd like to purchase a book.

WELCOME REVEREND GARY MASON

The SW District and Lighthouse Church will host Rev. Gary Mason on Monday, March 19, from 10:00 AM- 12 noon. A Methodist minister from Belfast, Ireland, Mason played an integral role in the Northern Irish peace process. Rev. Mason has spoken at political and religious gatherings across Ireland, the Middle East, South American, South Africa, the U.S., and Europe, sharing about peace building and conflict resolution. His lecture is entitled: "Peace Building in a Faith Context." All are welcome!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CHANGE

Beginning Friday, March 9 and until the Pancake Breakfast Ministry stops April 12, the Men's Fellowship group will meet at 8:00 AM on Friday instead of Thursday.

UMW TASTING LUNCHEON

Save the Date! Monday, March 19th, 11:30-1:00
Please join us in Fellowship Hall and enjoy a selection of fine cheeses and pate's, as well as a delicious chocolate dessert, all from The French Artisan in Punta Gorda. Beverages will be provided. \$20/person mailed to Gloria Mitchell =- PO BOX 1758, Boca Grande, FL 33921 by March 16th...no refunds after the 16th.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday, March 25—8:30 and 10:30 AM
Maundy Thursday, March 29—6:00 PM
Good Friday, March 30, Stations of the Cross—Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church at 12:00 noon
Resurrection Sunday, April 1—Sunrise Service at Gasparilla Island State Park at 6:50 AM

Easter Services at Lighthouse UMC at 8:30 & 10:30 AM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of March 4, 2018

2018 OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$208,023.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 12,327.00</u>

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

Ushers: 8:30—Madelaine & Colvin McCrady

10:30—Kitty & Tom Cross

Acolyte & Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: 8:30—Candy Rost, 10:30—Mary Foree

Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett

Hospitality: Dian & Richard Klepser,
Sheila & Bob Dorst



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**A Stephen Ministry
Congregation**

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Al Nethery, Accompanist

Cindy Crespo, Sexton

Abigail Turner, Nursery Attendant



BOCA GRANDE
Lighthouse Church
A United Methodist Congregation

March 11, 2018
Second Sunday in Lent
Celebration of Praise

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



This morning the Lighthouse Church music ministry will be presenting many of their beloved choral anthems in our worship services. We are grateful for such dedicated persons who enhance our worship experiences each week.