

Service of Worship

8:30 AM & 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

PRELUDE Rejoice, the Lord Is King

John Darwall, arr. Lyndell Leatherman

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linden Hustedt

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

For the Lord is a great God;

a great ruler over heaven and earth!

+OPENING PRAYER

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Almighty God, you raised Christ from the dead and established him as Lord over every rebellious power. Give us grace to serve him wisely and faithfully that the world may see his glorious inheritance among the saints and recognize the freedom of joyful obedience in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kathy Peters

Coordinator of Family Ministries

WORSHIP IN MUSIC In Christ Alone

by Keith Getty/Stuart Townend

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

Lord, open the eyes of our hearts by the power of your Spirit, that we may know the hope to which we have been called in Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25:31-46

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Give me Jesus

African-American Spiritual, arr. Jay Rouse

Response

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

HYMN OF ADORATION

Spirit Song

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Through Jesus Christ, God has shown us the sovereignty of divine love in compassion for the least, the lost, and the lonely. Therefore, we pray saying, Compassionate Lord,
Hear our prayer.

God, we live in a world of plenty in which the poor struggle for daily bread.

The minister continues...

Compassionate Lord,
Hear our prayer.

God, you admonish us to offer hospitality to the stranger, and to welcome the weary.

The minister continues...

Compassionate Lord,
Hear our prayer.

God, you hear the cry of all who are in distress. Heal those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit

The minister continues...

Compassionate Lord,
Hear our prayer.

God, Jesus our Lord was a prisoner of Rome before his execution, and he instructed his disciples to visit those in prison.

The minister continues...

Compassionate Lord,
Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, confirm our prayer with the dedication of our lives to ministry; in the name of Jesus Christ, by the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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.

Sending Forth

+BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

May God who seeks the lost keep you; may God who brings back the wandering heart uphold you; may God who binds up the injured heal you; may God who strengthens the weak empower you, now and forever.

+POSTLUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. Mark Hayes/Marvin Gaspard, tune by George J. Elvey

Today's altar flowers are given by Joseph Strosnik and Judy Wing for everyone to enjoy.

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.

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

Men's Fellowship Group

The Men's Fellowship Group will be meeting every Thursday at 8 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

UMW News

The UMW November and December gatherings have been cancelled. The UMW Board will be meeting soon to determine how to proceed in the new year. Stay tuned!

Sanctuary Flowers

To beautify the Sanctuary, you are invited to place flowers in the chancel for Sunday Services. The total for two arrangements is \$75.00. To place flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please see the form in the weekly newsletter or contact the office 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.

Shoebox Gifts for Kids' Needs of Englewood

Thank to everyone who has picked up shoeboxes for Kids' Needs of Englewood. We're approaching the final two weeks of this campaign and there are a few boxes left in the Fellowship Hall. If you have not done so already, please take a box or two on leaving the church. If you prefer to just make a donation, please write the check to Kids' Needs of Englewood and Becca deRosa will fill the boxes for you. Boxes will be distributed for Christmas in early December. Contact Jean Steinman or Becca deRosa for more information.

Kaisers/Harry Chapin Food Bank Gift Matching Update

As of November 17, we have received \$9,385 in matching contributions with only \$615 left to reach our final \$10,000 goal! Thank you!

Thanksgiving Week Office Hours

The Church Office will be closing at noon on Wednesday, November 25, for the Thanksgiving Holiday and will reopen Monday, November 30.

Christmas Eve Services

5:00 PM—Interactive Family Service

7:00 PM —Candlelight and Holy Communion

Serving Today.

Liturgists: Jane Caple (8:30 AM) and Joan Senior (10 AM)

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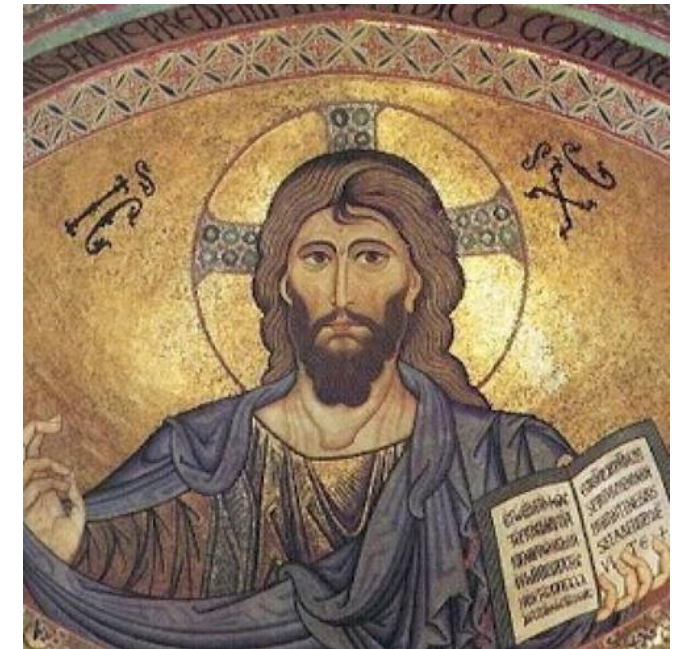
Gabriela Crespo, Nursery Attendant



November 22, 2020

The Reign of Christ

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



Today we celebrate the eternal Kingship of Christ and the end of the church's liturgical year. In this morning's Scripture readings, the prophet Ezekiel foretells the coming of Jesus as the one true Shepherd, who will gather his scattered flock from all nations. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus teaches of his second coming in glory, when he will come with majesty and judgment. Those who love Jesus will, as the psalmist sings, "worship the Lord with gladness" and "come into his presence with singing."

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of November 17, 2020

OPERATING BUDGET.....\$643,000.00

OFFERING.....\$481,269.00

OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING

YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND

GLOBAL MISSIONS.....\$346,801.00

Coming from:

DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION

GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET..... \$89,140.00
(18% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)

Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

SPONSORED MISSIONS.....\$70,000.00

Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL

PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....\$192,326.00