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)
 Sing Unto God
 D.F. Hodges

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #702

"Sing with All the Saints in Glory" Hymn to Joy

+OPENING PRAYER

Everlasting God: You have revealed yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, and ever live and reign in perfect unity of love. Grant that we may always hold firmly and joyfully to this faith, and, living in praise of your divine majesty, may finally be one in you; who are three persons in one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE #405 "Seek Ye First"

VETERAN'S DAY PRESNENTATION

 ${\bf SPECIAL\ MUSIC} \quad {\it ``It's\ a\ Wonderful\ World''\ Jackie\ Allen\ ,\ Soloist}$

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

God, our refuge and strength, inspire us by your word and bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

I Thessalonians 4: 13-18 Pew Bible NT Page 193 The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

+GRADUAL HYMN #719

"My Lord, What a Morning" vs. 1-2 Burleigh The Gospel is processed to the center of the congregation to signify that it is central to the church, our faith, and our lives.

+GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25: 1-13 Pew Bible NT Page 26 The Word of God for the People of God *Thanks be to God*

+GRADUAL HYMN #719

"My Lord, What a Morning" vs. 3 Burleigh

SERMON

Seek Ye

Larry Allen

Keep Oil in Your Lamp Reverend Matthew M. Williams

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

| +AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed | eed |
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| 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. | |
| 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 Snirit the boly *catholic | |

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.

+GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son a Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginnin and ever shall be, world without end. An

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 vs. 1 "Spirit Song"

MORNING PRAYER Reverend Matth We light a candle in memory of those who tragically lost t Baptist Church, Sutherland Springs, Texas, on No

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallow name. Thy kingdom come, thy will b earth as it is in heaven. Give us this of daily bread. And forgive us our tresp we forgive those who trespass agains lead us not into temptation, but delive evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the and the glory, forever and ever. Ame

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Let There Be Peace on Earth Jill Jackson Arr. Eyrich

+DOXOLOGY 94

Praise God from whom all blessings Praise God all creatures here belo Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God the source of all our g Praise Jesus Christ, whose power u Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

WE BEAR THE WORD IN THI

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #720 "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

+BENEDICTION

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Reverend Ma

+POSTLUDE Lead On, O King Eternal

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| | WELCOME! We'd like to |
| | help you get connected. |
| Spirit Song | Please fill out this card & place it on the |
| ew M. Williams heir lives at First wember 5. | offering plate. Let us know how we can reach out to you! |
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| n. | Email |
| Tabitha Jordan | |
| n-Miller/Sy Miller | How long have you attended LH Church? 1st time guest 2nd time guest guest from out of town |
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| ifts! plifts! | Having the Pastor Contact Me |
| F | Youth and Families |
| | Small Groups |
| Tabitha Jordan | Missions |
| E WORLD | United Methodist Women |
| | Men's Prayer Group |
| g″ Wachet Auf | Strawberry Festival Volunteer |
| tthew M. Williams | Stephen Ministry |
| | Greeting and Ushering |
| Henry T. Smart | 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



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

NEW NAME BADGES

Everyone has a new name badge! Please look for yours in the magnetic holder in the narthex. If you **DO NOT** find a name badge for yourself and would like to have one, please contact Amanda at 941-964-2479 or apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

NOVEMBER IS SUNDAY UNDIE MONTH!

November has been designated "Sunday Undie Month" for Kids Needs. Please bring NEW AND UNUSED kids' underwear and socks in children's sizes to the barrel in Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Becca deRosa at 941-697-1199 or bcderosa@embarqmail.com

MOM'S NIGHT OUT IS BACK!

Join us for fun and fellowship every other Monday evening at 5:30. Moms and Kids eat dinner together; then break out into separate groups. The Moms spend time in bible study and the Kids are entertained with stories about Jesus, songs and games, all provided by Pastor Tabitha and volunteers. Interested? Contact tjordan@bglighthouseumc.com

MOM'S NIGHT OUT SCHEDULE 2017

November 20th, December 4 & 18, January 8 & 22, February 5 & 19, March 5 & 19, April 9 & 23 and May 7 & 21

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for 5:00 PM, Wednesday, November 22, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church

SAVE THE DATE!

The annual Festival of Lessons and Carols is Sunday, December 17 at 5:00. Don't miss this meaningful and beautiful observance of the Christmas season.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of November 5, 2017OPERATING BUDGET\$564,000.00PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED\$423,785.00MISSION GIVING\$162,137.00

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

Ushers: Joan & David Senior Acolyte & Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner Liturgist: Mary Ann Roelse Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton Sunday School: Leslie Barrett Hospitality: Kathi & Lindy Hustedt



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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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November 12, 2017 Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light



The gospel of Matthew recounts the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. In this parable, half of the bridesmaids had chosen wisely to bring extra oil for their lamps, and the other half did not. The readings between All Saints Sunday and the season of Advent turn our attention to God's final judgement, and cause us to reflect on the crucial judgements that make up our own lives in light of this judgement.