+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. A staffed nursery is available for those with infants. Please ask an usher for directions.

We Gather Around the Word

PRELUDE

Sweet Hour of Prayer William B. Bradbury, arr. Patricia Lou Harris Silence is kept during the prelude to prepare our hearts for worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ed Paxton, Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #117

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

St. Anne

+INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were vet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

+GLORY BE TO GOD, CREATOR

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, Prince of Peace, holy, holy wind of Presence, holy, holy, holy. Amen.

+OPENING PRAYER

Holy One, there is no God like you. In praise and thanksgiving, we come before you ready to learn of your power, ready to follow your path for our lives. Through days of jubilation as well as dejection, help us realize your influence in the world. We ask simply for ears to hear, eyes to see, and minds to comprehend the blessings you bestow. Amen.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE #328

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Wolfe

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Ian Patrick Egbert, Robert William Duke, Harrison Batey Duke, Mary Katherine Boney, Hampton Dodd Boney, Bradford Harris Boney, Jr. , Vivian Grace Barrett

We Hear the Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison) Liturgist and Congregation

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the Lord of all: send your Spirit to open your holy word now; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Ameń.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Liturgist

Hebrews 10: 11-25

Pew Bible NT Page 210-211

+GRADUAL HYMN #730 vs. 1-3

"O Day of God, Draw Nigh"

St. Michael

+GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 13: 1-8

Pew Bible NT Page 47

The Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

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

+GRADUAL HYMN #730 vs. 4-5

"O Day of God, Draw Nigh"

St. Michael

HOMILY

The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

We Respond to the Word

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

Spirit Song

MORNING PRAYER

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Ray Smedley, Chair of Finance

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Variations for Thanksgiving Based on a Netherlands folk song

+DOXOLOGY 94 Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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

COMMUNION MEDITATION

In All Things Give Him Thanks Claire and Andy Cloninger, Ken Barker

Thanksgiving and Communion

The United Methodist Church is an open communion. All are invited to partake regardless of denomination or religious affiliation. At the direction of the ushers, please come forward, take a wafer, dip it into the cup, and partake.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

Come, Let Us Eat Billema Kwillia *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* **Ithamar Conkey** O the Depth of Love Divine Carlton R. Young

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We Bear the Word in the World

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #719

"My Lord, What a Morning"

Burleigh

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

+POSTLUDE O Worship the King

attributed to Johann Michael Haydn, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

CONNECT CARD WELCOME! We'd like to help you get connected. Please fill out this card of place it on the of-

fering plate.
Let us know how we can reach out t
you!
Name
Address
City
Zip Phone
Email
How long have you attended LH UMC
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 Fellowship 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_

Please remember that prayer requests are honored until notification is received otherwise. Please keep us updated so that the prayer lists are current. Call 941-964-2479 or email apearsall@bglighthouseumc.com

Thank you!

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!

VISITORS, PLEASE PICK UP A GIFT BAG IN THE NARTHEX AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION!

VIDEO PROJECTION REPLACEMENT

The Trustees and Church Council unanimously approved the replacement of the Sanctuary's original video projectors which are currently in bad repair. In addition, they approved the installation of a electronic screen and projector for the fellowship hall.

These improvements will greatly improve our web video broadcasting and the aesthetic nature of images and projection in our worship services The cost of these improvements is \$50,000.

Someone in our congregation has graciously approached the church council with a gift of \$25,000, subject to raising the remaining \$25,000 by year end. In addition, the improvements can begin soon after funds are raised.

The Church Council appreciates your thoughtfulness and consideration. For any questions related to raising the funds, please contact Ray Smedley, Finance Chairperson.

UMW CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Join us Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 11:30 for some "Holiday Cheer" at the Boca Grande Club. Wear your favorite holiday sweater and share a holiday tradition with others at your table. Pastor Matthew will once again lead us in singing all our favorite Christmas carols. Cost is \$25.40 – please mail checks to Jan Myers, PO Box 1378 by Dec. 3. Please note on your check any food allergies. No cancellations or reservations after Dec. 3. All proceeds will go to SOLVE; our mission serving unwed mothers and newborns. Please bring a new item appropriate for a newborn.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

All are invited to attend the annual Community Thanksgiving service, this year hosted by Lighthouse UMC at 5:00 PM, Nov. 21. The offering at this service will be designated for aid to the victims of the recent devastating California wildfires.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Church Administration Office will close at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, November 21 and will reopen at 9:00 AM on Monday, November 26. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness Our gifts as of November 11, 2018

\$564,000.00

\$480, 721.00

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\$59,840.00

2018 OPERATING BUDGET
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED
MISSION GIVING
UMW MISSIONS

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

Ushers: Kay & Chris Rembold Cross Bearer: Abigail Turner Liturgist: Bob Schoenfeld

Communion Stewards: Gloria & John Mitchell
Hospitality Hosts: Becca & Carlo deRosa,
Judy Thomas & Jim Colhart
Audio Visual Technology: Mike Hilton

Sunday School: Leslie Barrett

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Abigail Turner, Nursery Attendant



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November 18, 2018

Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Receiving the Light, Being the Light, Sharing the Light

COMMUNION SUNDAY



In Mark's Gospel, Jesus points toward the end times, describing the birth pangs of a world yearning to be free from sin, evil, and death. We are warned not to be led astray by false teachers, but to cling to Jesus as we long for redemption and healing. In Hebrews, the authority of Jesus alone to forgive sins is explained. At the end of time Jesus' resurrection victory will be complete, as those who love him are gathered into the joy of new creation as forgiven, healed, and restored children of God.