

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.
The congregation will speak the liturgy in bold print.

Gathering

God calls us together to offer praise and celebrate our adoption as God's forgiven children.

PRELUDE Sing Praise to God
from Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesange, arr. Edward Broughton

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Linden Hustedt

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+CALL TO WORSHIP
Come, let us praise the Lord!
Let us shout our songs of thanksgiving to Almighty God!
For God has done wonderful things for us.
God's love and blessings have been showered upon us.
Come, let us praise the Lord!
Let us sing songs of great joy to God.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #572 "Pass It On" PASS IT ON

+OPENING PRAYER The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with each of you.
And also with you.
Let us pray:

Merciful God,
we gather together to offer You our praise and thanksgiving
for the unfailing love You have shown toward us,
generation after generation,
and for the compassion You shower upon us,
day after day.

You alone are our God. We are Your people.

We pray that Your Holy Spirit would move among us as we worship.
Open our hearts and our minds to see You at work among us,
encouraging, challenging, uplifting, and inspiring,
as each one has need.
May our worship bring honour and glory to You.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.
Amen.

+SUNG RESPONSE "Glory Be to God, Creator" RENEWED
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, holy, Prince of Peace,
holy, holy wind of Presence, holy, holy, holy. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Peters

MINISTRY IN MUSIC Oh, How He Loves You and Me
Philip Eyrich, Piano Kurt Kaiser, arr. Mark Hayes

Proclamation

The Word is encountered in speech and song
as scripture is interpreted and expounded.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Holy God, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we
rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their
example through the hearing of your Word; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ruth 1:1-18 OT Page #230
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #453 "More Love to Thee, O Christ" vs. 1-2
MORE LOVE TO THEE

+GOSPEL LESSON Mark 12:28-34 NT Page #46
The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God

+GRADUAL HYMN #453 "More Love to Thee, O Christ" vs. 3-4
MORE LOVE TO THEE

SERMON "Where You Go I Will Go" The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Response

We respond by affirming our faith, lifting our prayers,
and praising the triune God.

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed
Traditional Version

**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;
he descended into hell;
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.**

CALL TO PRAYER Linden Hustedt
The Lord be with you
And also with you
The congregation is invited to read and pray for the needs
on the prayer list at this time.

HYMN OF ADORATION #347 "Spirit Song" SPIRIT SONG

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Linden Hustedt
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer

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 The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
On this Fifth Sunday, all are invited to make a gift to the Florida
United Methodist Children's Home. Please designate your gift on
the envelope provided in your bulletin.

OFFERTORY Blest Be the Tie That Binds
J. G. Nageli, arr. Franklin Ritter

+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 The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams

Sending Forth

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth
with God's blessing to lives of service and love.

+RECESSIONAL HYMN #566
"Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love" EVAN

+BENEDICTION The Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

+POSTLUDE "Let Your Light So Shine" Tom Birchwood

Today's altar flowers are given by Doug and Chrys Hyde
in loving memory of Doug's mother,
Joyce Wyman Hyde, July 28, 1923 - October 27, 2021

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funerals, and memorial services. For more information
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www.bgighthouseumc.com or contact the church office
at info@bgighthouseumc.com.

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.

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are available to assist you. Should you need to speak with a Stephen Minister, please contact Ray Smedley at snidleywhiplash114@yahoo.com or Ellie Durno at durno1@comcast.net

Family Ministry Program

Lighthouse UMC is honored to walk with our children along their faith journey. We do so through the **WILD Center** where kids **Worship, Inspire, Learn,** and **Disciple.** We strive to bring Bible stories to life, guide them in going to God in prayer, and grow their personal relationship with Jesus. Jesus loves them and so do we!

Sunday School Change

Children in fourth grade and up are encouraged to attend worship service with their families. They will then meet with Ms. Kathy in the Leopard Lair following service (with refreshments included) from 11:15 AM – 11:45 AM for a brief Sunday School Bible Study discussion while adults gather in Fellowship Hall.

Obie Game System

Thank you to all who have supported the Obie Fund for the Sunday School students. We have currently raised \$2,500 of the needed \$3,000!

Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, November 2 at 1pm in Fellowship Hall.

Charge Conference

The Southwest District will hold its Charge Conference on Sunday, November 7 at 3:00pm. If you're interested in participating, please contact the church office for more information.

All Saints Sunday

We will celebrate All Saints Day on November 7. All are welcome to bring fresh flowers to grace the chancel.

"Welcome Back" Bluegrass Sunday

The Annual Bluegrass and Barbecue Sunday will be held on November 14 with gospel music and mouth-watering barbeque. A suggested donation of \$25 per person will help cover costs. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

Serving Today

Ushers: Sheila and Bob Dorst
Liturgist: Ed Paxton
Hospitality Host: Kathy Peters
Acolyte: James teVelde

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Gabriela Crespo, Nursery Attendant

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!
Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness
Our gifts as of October 26, 2021

OPERATING BUDGET.....	\$630,000.00
OFFERING.....	\$505,509.00
OUR COLLECTIVE GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE TO LOCAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS.....	\$208,063.00
Coming from: DIRECT SPONSORED MISSION GIVING FROM THE CHURCH BUDGET.....	\$109,381.00 (21% OF CHURCH SPENDING TO DATE)
Plus: UMW STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SPONSORED MISSIONS.....	\$25,000.00
Plus: DIRECT INDIVIDUAL CONGREGATIONAL PASS-THROUGHS TO OUR MISSIONS.....	\$73,662.00



October 31, 2021

Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

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



The lesson from Ruth recounts her determination and loving decision to remain with Naomi after a series of tragic losses. This declaration is made with clarity and resolve. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus teaches us the great commandments for all the saints—to love God and neighbor with total commitment.