

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.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

(8:25 & 10:25))

Fanfare and Trumpet Tune on “Nettleton”

David Lasky

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

Let the radiance of Christ be evident among us:
in our songs and in our words;
in our deepest thoughts and desires;
in the youthful and the aged,
the exhausted and the energetic;
in the marginalized and the scared.
We are here together.
We join our voices and our hearts in praise.

+PROCESSIONAL HYMN #139

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Lobe Den Herren

+OPENING PRAYER

Holy God,
Upon the mountain you revealed our Messiah, who by his death and resurrection would fulfill both the law and the prophets. By his transfiguration, enlighten our path that we may dare to suffer with him in the service of humanity, and so share in the everlasting glory of him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever.
Amen.

+GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen. Amen.

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

+SONG OF PEACE

All Are Welcome

vs. 1 & 5

Two Oaks

CHORAL ANTHEM

Holy Ground

Lloyd Larson

Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (10:30)

Tabitha Jordan

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

SHARING THE LIGHT

Reverend Pam Carter

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (In Unison)

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our wandering hearts as we hear your word, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 24: 12-18

Pew Bible OT Page 68

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #258

“O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair”

vs. 1-3

Wareham

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 17: 1-9

Pew Bible NT Page 6

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

+HYMN OF PREPARATION #258

“O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair”

vs. 4-5

Wareham

SERMON

The Voice and the Vision

Bishop Kenneth Carter, Jr

+HYMN OF RESPONSE #451

“Be Thou My Vision “

Slane

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

HYMN OF ADORATION #347

(vs. 1)

“Spirit Song”

Spirit Song

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. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Vision

David H. Hegarty

+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 #103

“Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise”

St. Denio

+BENEDICTION

from Numbers 6: 24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

+POSTLUDE

Finale on “Aurelia”

Mary McDonald

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!

ASH WEDNESDAY

An Ash Wednesday service with the imposition of ashes will be held in the Sanctuary Wednesday, March 1, at 11:45 AM. This brief service marks the beginning of Lent.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL 2017

The annual Strawberry Festival is Saturday, March 4, from 9:00-3:00. We need volunteers to help with set up and tear down, strawberry prep, items for Dazzling Digs and Boutique. We still need CLEAN conch shells. Large donated items can be picked up. Call Gloria Mitchell or Linda Long.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

On Friday, March 17, beginning at 9:00 AM a volunteer crew will perform various maintenance jobs on the church property. Some of the jobs will include power washing and painting. Any and all general maintenance issues will be addressed. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Richard Klepser at 941-697-7687 or 716-510-4088.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

April 10-14, 2017 Lighthouse UMC 9:15-12:00

We need volunteers to be actors, extras, snack workers, craft workers, photographers, recreation teachers, teachers aids and people to help paint scenery for the set. We also need fake trees for scenery and large boxes to use in the sets. There is a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall and/or contact Tabitha Jordan at tjordan@bglighthouseumc.com

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS—"Overview of the Bible"

A four week class beginning on March 12 will be held in the administrative office. The class will be approximately 35 minutes beginning at 9:45 AM. Lindy Hustedt and Colvin McCready will facilitate the discussion. The class will end in time to attend the second service.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVESTMENT!

Prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness

Our gifts as of February 19, 2017

OPERATING BUDGET	<u>\$564,000.00</u>
PLEDGES, OFFERING, PLATE RECEIVED	<u>\$ 72,385.00</u>
MISSION GIVING	<u>\$ 8799.00</u>

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

Ushers: 8:30— Steve and Lynn Kieffer

10:30—Mary Foree and Ray Smedley

Acolyte and Cross Bearer: Hannah Amen & Abigail Turner

Liturgist: 8:30—Tabitha Jordan, 10:30—Sara Moll

Audio Visual Technology: Liam Hugger and Grant Reecher



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Carol Elwood, Choir Director



— B O C A G R A N D E —
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February 26, 2017

Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany

RECEIVING THE LIGHT, BEING THE LIGHT, SHARING THE LIGHT



Today is Transfiguration Sunday, which marks the last Sunday before the season of Lent. The gospel lesson provides a vivid description of a mountaintop transformation where Jesus' face and garments became dazzling white in the presence of disciples Peter, James, and John. The Transfiguration also recalls Moses' encounter with God on Mt. Sinai. The appearance of both Moses and Elijah at the Transfiguration symbolizes Jesus' fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets through his life, death, and resurrection.