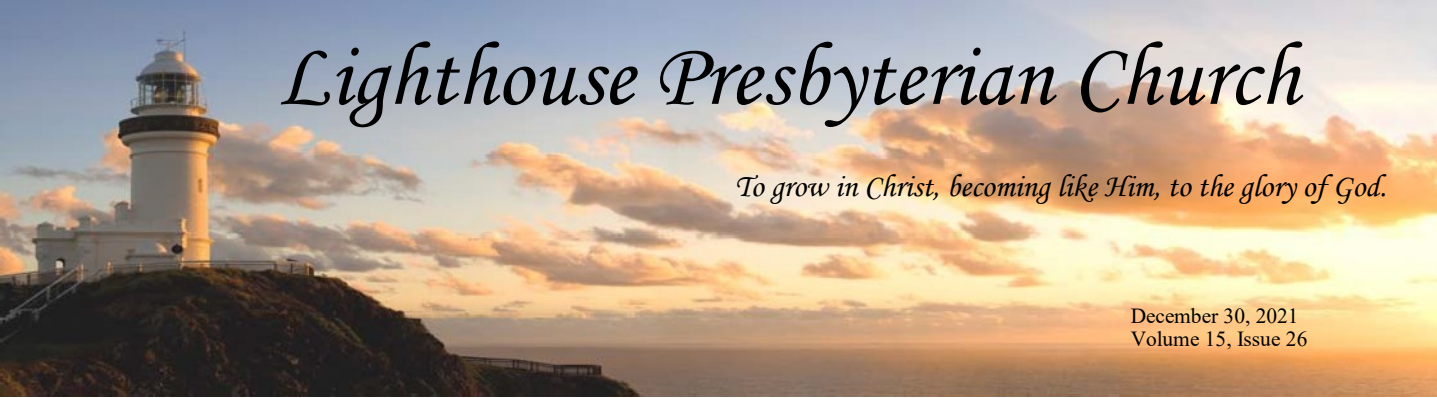




Lighthouse Presbyterian Church

To grow in Christ, becoming like Him, to the glory of God.

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Worship: Sunday 10:00am

The Meaning of Epiphany

Epiphany, which comes from the Greek word *epiphaneia*, means “an appearance” or “a revealing.” Centuries ago, the church set aside January 6, the 12th day after Christmas, to mark the revealing of Jesus as Christ to the wise men, who were Gentiles. Jesus’ first followers were Jewish, so the revelation of the divine Christ to the non-Jewish magi reminds us that Jesus came to earth to save the whole world.

Symbols of Epiphany include light, a star, a crown (or three crowns) and a globe or stylized portrayal of the world. The color of Epiphany is green to symbolize life, growth, hope and eternity.

On the church calendar, the Epiphany season lasts until Ash Wednesday, which is determined by the date of Easter.

Epiphany will be celebrated on Sunday, January 2nd along with passing of the stars, including scriptures. If you are unable to be here, additional Epiphany Stars will be available to pick up on subsequent Sundays, or feel free to stop by the office during the week.

Due to Epiphany, there will be no communion on Sunday, January 2nd.





Our prayers and sympathies go out to the family and friends of:

- **Stacy Murrow**
(Merilee Baughman's cousin)

Christian Childcare Needed



Lighthouse Church has a part-time paid position for childcare on a rotational basis on Sunday mornings, and various other evening times during the week.

Days: Sunday Mornings 8:30am to 11:30am
Monday Evenings—Varying
Tuesday Evenings 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Wednesday Evenings 5:30pm to 7:15pm

Wages: 16 yr. old and 17 yr. old = \$10.00/hour
18 yr. old and above = \$15.00/hour



For more information, please contact the Church Office at 913-294-2400 or email tracey@paolalighthouse.com.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

You may fill out a prayer request:

SIGN-UP:
Welcome Table

CALL:
913.294.2400

EMAIL:
rebecca@paolalighthouse.com

WEBSITE:
www.paolalighthouse.com/connect

DISCOVER LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH



Sunday, January 16, 2022
11:30 am
Childcare Provided

For more information go to: www.paolalighthouse.com/discover_lighthouse

Newsletter DEADLINE

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, Jan 7th.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Inclement Weather

With winter weather upon us, we would like you to be aware of the following:

You may call the church office (294-2400) during business hours 8:30-4:00 if you have a weather question or a particular need.

If we need to cancel worship or church activities then go to:

- ⇒ Facebook—Lighthouse Church Paola
- ⇒ Instagram—[paolalighthousechurch](https://www.instagram.com/paolalighthousechurch)
- ⇒ Twitter—[@LighthousePaola](https://twitter.com/LighthousePaola)
- ⇒ www.paolalighthouse.com
- ⇒ www.kctv5.com
- ⇒ Channel 5 KCTV News





Holiday Office

Hours

Friday, Dec 31st
Office closed

Monday, Jan 3rd
Office Closed

BSF for Men & Women

When: Tuesdays – January 11th – May 3rd

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Where: Lighthouse Church
Childcare available

Study is called *The Unexpected King* (Matthew's account of Jesus).
Women will meet in the sanctuary; men will meet in the Harbor.
(Zoom classes will still be offered, if preferred.)

If you have any questions or need any further information:

Women - Roberta Briley (816) 223-0543 or email sonicrlb@gmail.com

Carole Moore (913) 963-6015 or email carole.bernie.moore@gmail.com

Men – Larry Beyer (913) 961-5015 or email larrybeyer1@gmail.com



LIGHTHOUSE DECORATION TEAR DOWN

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

11:30 AM

(Immediately following worship service)

Volunteers needed to take
down Christmas Decorations!

Want to be a part of the team?

Tammy Dowd 913-472-2084

Or

Sign-up at the Welcome Table

"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor;"
Ecclesiastes 4:9

Pickleball Fellowship



When: Every Thursday - January 6th to March 31st

Time: 6:30PM to 8:30PM

Who: Anyone High school age or older

All playing levels are welcomed!

Equipment will be provided for those who are new
or don't have their own paddle.

Please contact Tom Wolf with any questions.

wzit2u@gmail.com

913-961-1102

Classes will resume in the New Year!

Confirmation:

Sun. 8:30-9:45am
(Resumes January 9th)

Kingdom Kids:

Wed. 6:00-7:15pm
(Resumes January 12th)

High School Youth:

Sun. 7:00-8:30pm
(Resumes January 9th)

Middle School Youth:

Wed. 5:30-7:00pm
(Resumes January 12th)

Young Family Group:

Sun. (1st, 2nd, 4th)
8:45-9:45am
(Resumes Jan. 2nd)

Women's Bible Study:

Tue. 10:00am
(Resumes January 4th)

Women's BSF:

Tue. 6:30-8:00pm
(Resumes January 11th)

Men's BSF:

Tue. 6:30-8:00pm
(Resumes January 11th)

Family Night:

Wed. evenings
(Resumes January 12th)

Weekly Prayer Group:

Mon. 5:00-5:30pm
(Resumes Jan. 10th)

**Thursday, January 6th
11:30am**

1st Thursdays 
for Seniors

Begin the New Year with the fellowship of First Thursdays for Seniors — men and women, couples and singles or AARP age that meet on the first Thursday of each month. Join us January 6th for warm soup/ham & beans, meditation by Pastor Kirk and fellowship. A suggested donation of \$3.00 for the meal. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, January 4th by calling the church office at 913-294-2400, emailing rebecca@paolalighthouse.com or signing up on Sunday morning at the Welcome table.



Ordination and Installation Of Elders and Deacons

*Ordination &
Installation*

Sunday, January 9th

Join us as we ordain and install our new Elders and Deacons for 2022. We will also recognize and thank our retiring Elders and Deacons for all their hard work and dedication.

A reception will be held directly following worship. Please stay and enjoy as well as taking a moment to thank our Church Officers.

Children's Ministry

Our Vision



- ♦ To grow in Christ and become like Him.
- ♦ To teach and demonstrate the Gospel each time we gather with children.
- ♦ To pray that children may be light in their world that grows brighter each day with the help of the Holy Spirit.
- ♦ To support the family unit as primary teachers of the faith and the conduit through which God shows His love and reveals His character.



Sunday Mornings:

- ♦ Nursery is available for ages 0-3 during worship.
- ♦ Children's Church is offered during worship for children age **Preschool-5th** grade. At a designated time during the service (usually following the Children's Talk), children are dismissed to meet their adult leaders in the back of the sanctuary. Following worship, children may be picked up in the children's educational wing. *There is no Children's Church on 5th Sundays.*

Midweek:

- ♦ Twice a year (Fall & Spring), a mid-week **Family Night and Kingdom Kids** is offered on Wednesday evenings that includes a meal, family worship, and Bible study activities for all ages. *Dates, times, and other necessary information will be provided in the weeks prior to each session.*

Special Events:

- ♦ **Vacation Bible School** for ages **Pre-school-5th** grade is offered each Summer. *Dates and details are provided each Spring.*
- ♦ **Seasonal Family Events** (onsite, online, or at-home) occur throughout the year. *Info is provided in the weeks prior to each event.*



Sunday, January 2, 2022

Epiphany Worship Service, 10am
Everyone receives an Epiphany Star!

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

Family Night/Kingdom Kids Spring session begins
5:30-7:15

coming up in CHILDREN'S CHURCH!

Preschool children will experience the **IMAGINATION STATION**, where the Bible comes to life as kids imagine what it was like to be in the presence of Jesus during His early ministry!



1/2/22 ... A Boatload of Fish

Big Idea: Jesus wants me to follow Him.

Key verse: Matthew 4:19

1/9/22 ... Hey Matthew, Follow Me!

Big Idea: Jesus wants me to follow Him.

Key verse: Matthew 4:19

1/16/22 ... A Soldier Believes Jesus

Big Idea: I can believe in Jesus.

Key Verse: John 3:36

1/23/22 ... A Sick Woman Believes in Jesus

Big Idea: I can believe in Jesus.

Key Verse: John 3:36



Elementary kids will **LIVE OUT LOUD** as they make sound effects to help tell stories about Jesus' life and learn how they

can live out loud for Jesus each day!

1/2/22 ... Jesus in the Temple

Big Idea: Jesus grew in wisdom and favor by spending time in His Father's House.

Key verse: Luke 2:52

1/9/22 ... Jesus is Baptized

Big Idea: Baptism gives us a picture of Jesus' amazing sacrifice.

Key verse: Romans 6:4

1/16/22 ... Jesus is Tempted in the Desert

Big Idea: Jesus said, "no" to sin, and so can we.

Key Verse: 1 Corinthians 10:13

1/23/22 ... Jesus is Rejected in Nazareth

Big Idea: Jesus was rejected for saying unpopular things.

Key Verse: Galatians 1:10

If you would like to join our amazing team, contact Josh Simons, Director of Children's Ministry at 913.406.6137 (call or text) or email him at josh@paolalighthouse.com.

Lighthouse Youth



HARBOR YOUTH NEWSLETTER

High School Youth

High School students (Grades 9-12) will meet on Sundays:

High School Youth Group are on pause until January. Leaders will be in touch over winter break with details about a movie night and also a game night. We will begin again January 9th from 7:00pm-8:30pm. We will watch and discuss The Chosen series beginning January 9th.

Leader Contact Info:

youth@paolalighthouse.com
Jonathan Sterk: 913.244.6584
Lisa Weidman: 913.731.6312

Middle School Youth

Middle School students (Grades 6-8) will meet on Wednesdays:

Middle School Youth Group are on pause until January. We will begin again January 12th from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Leader Contact Info:

youth@paolalighthouse.com
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder: 913.709.2165

High School Leaders

Ryan Haupt
Heather Sterk
Jonathan Sterk
Lisa Weidman

Middle School Leaders

Mike Bayles
Sara Gayley
Kirk Johnston
Maggie Koechner
Oliver Sparks
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder
Jennie Terflinger

Youth Director Search Committee

Tresha Miller, Chair
Erin Capettini, Secretary
Benjamin Sparks
Jonathan Sterk
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder
Jennie Terflinger

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For the month of December 2021

Miscellaneous Issues

Dale Achey (Greta Achey)
Janet Ahlbrandt (Joel Ahlbrandt)
Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt
Henry Baldrige
Stacie Boehm (Troy Collier)
Dorothy Boyd
Troy Bruza
Pam Bryant
Lynn Caster (Rebecca Sutton)
Evelyn Cowden
Millie Sue Cox (Linda Gibson)
Kristen Cummings
Rosemary Cummings
Dees Family
 (Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt)
Jean Driskell (Theresa Morrison)
Jan Gillespie
Joe Gillespie
Jamie Glenn
Zoe Harrington (Cummings)
Amy Herron
John Hieber (Tracey Hecker)
David Hime
Scott Hines
Ron Hinkle
Chris & Kristi Jefferson
 (Bob & Debra Dameron)
Gary Keller (Kirk Johnston)
Bev Knapp
Tim Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Rene Korsten (Janet Offutt)
Gina Mangels (Rebecca Sutton)

Betty Matney (Evelyn Cowden)
Russ & Joyce Mayer
 (Tammy Dowd)
Jim McCauley (Samantha Green)
Janet Offutt
Anita Ohland (Terry Robinson)
Rev. Kermit Opprieht
 (Mike Gibson)
Jim Paulsen (Sherry Ahlbrandt)
Shirley Phipps (Brad Phipps)
John Rhea
Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta)
Fran Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
Joel Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
Scott Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
Terry Robinson
Mike Schultz
Elijah, Katie Short & Arianna
 (Kirk Johnston)
Palmer Swafford (Tracey Hecker)
Mary Ann Thornton
Reta Wadley (Amy Herron)
Richard Wadley (Amy Herron)
Lisa Wells (Bob & Jenny Paulsen)
Lonnie West (Bob & Jenny Paulsen)
Julane Williams (Cindy Walters)
Nadine Zemp (Marilyn Roberts)

Military

Joshua Ales (Theresa Morrison)
Christina Behnke
Tony Newman (Bob Paulsen)
Nick Spencer (Alicia Spencer)

Cancer

John Ahlbrandt (Joel Ahlbrandt)
Lon Boyd
Carolyn Bulcock (Tauna Connell)
Matt Dickey (Lisa Weidman)
Tommy Gillen (Terry Gillen)

Ashlee Guthrie (Roberta Briley)
Delores Herrs (Denise Reynolds)
Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Chuck Lane (Bob Kirkpatrick)
Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)
Cindy Morriaella
 (Theresa Morrison)
Jim Moscript (Leon Briley)
Sabrina Thomley (Denise Reynolds)
Donna Turner (Theresa Morrison)

(Names in parentheses indicate the church family requesting prayer)

(Names will run for four weeks, so please notify the office if you would like to have a name left on this prayer list.)



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Rebecca Sutton, Member &	rebecca@paolalighthouse.com
Community Care:	
Tracey Hecker, Office Admin:	tracey@paolalighthouse.com
Erin Capettini, PT Office Admin:	erin@paolalighthouse.com
Kristal Sparks, Nursery Director:	nursery@paolalighthouse.com

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