

*“Salvation comes from the Lord”*

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024



LITHIA SPRINGS  

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METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO  
LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

*The flowers adorning the chancel area are given to the glory of God*

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR** Glenn McElroy

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS,  
AND INVOCATION** Rev. Thomas Long

**PRELUDE** Be Still, My Soul” Glenn McElroy  
Arr. Marvin Gaspard

**OPENING HYMN\*** “I Stand Amazed in the Presence” #122

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH\*** #691

**The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living 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.

**ANTHEM** “O Magnify the Lord” Chancel Choir  
Mark Andrew

**PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER** Rev. Thomas Long

**CHILDREN’S TIME** Rev. Thomas Long

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** Rev. Thomas Long

**OFFERTORY** “The Wonder of It All” Glenn McElroy  
George Beverly Shea

**DOXOLOGY\*** #682

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heav’nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Words Thomas Ken, music Louis Bourgeois CCLI 1152573

**HYMN\***

“Majesty”

#63

**SCRIPTURE\***

Jonah 2:1-10

Bart Arther

1 From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the Lord his God. 2 He said:

“In my distress I called to the Lord,  
and he answered me.

From deep in the realm of the dead I called for help,

and you listened to my cry.

3 You hurled me into the depths,  
into the very heart of the seas,  
and the currents swirled about me;  
all your waves and breakers  
swept over me.

4 I said, ‘I have been banished  
from your sight;  
yet I will look again  
toward your holy temple.’

5 The engulfing waters threatened me,  
the deep surrounded me;  
seaweed was wrapped around my head.

6 To the roots of the mountains I sank down;  
the earth beneath barred me in forever.

But you, Lord my God,  
brought my life up from the pit.

7 “When my life was ebbing away,  
I remembered you, Lord,  
and my prayer rose to you,  
to your holy temple.

8 “Those who cling to worthless idols  
turn away from God’s love for them.

9 But I, with shouts of grateful praise,  
will sacrifice to you.

What I have vowed I will make good.

I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the Lord.’”

10 And the Lord commanded the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Thomas Long

**HYMN\***

“Rescue the Perishing”

#457

**BENEDICTION\***

Rev. Thomas Long

**POSTLUDE**

“A Mighty Fortress”

Arr. David Cherwien

Glenn McElroy

*If you have been visiting with us, we would love to be able to connect with you!  
Please take a Visitor’s Card from the pew, complete it, and place it in the offering plate.  
Thank you for worshipping with us!*

*\*Please stand as you are comfortable.*

## This Week's Schedule

### Today, September 29:

9:45 a.m. .... Adult Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. .... Children's Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. .... Worship Service

### Monday, September 30:

7:00 p.m. .... Boy Scouts Troop 62

### Tuesday, October 1:

7:00 p.m. .... Admin Council

### Wednesday, October 2:

5:30 p.m. .... Prayer Group  
6:00 p.m. .... Cub Scouts Pack 62  
6:45 p.m. .... Handbell Choir  
7:45 p.m. .... Chancel Choir

### Sunday, October 6:

9:45 a.m. .... Adult Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. .... Children's Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. .... Worship Service

"I want to express my sincere appreciation to each and every one of you for your generous support of the Pregnancy Resource Center's Walk For Life campaign. Together, our church raised an incredible \$1,630, which will make a meaningful difference in the lives of the families the PRC serves. Your commitment to this cause reflects the love and compassion we share as a community. It's inspiring to see how we can come together to support those in need and advocate for life. Thank you once again for your generosity, kindness, dedication, and love. Together, we are making a positive impact!"  
With gratitude, Beverly Kitchens

### Family Fun Night October 8th

Our Next Family Fun Night is on Wednesday, October 8th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will share a snack supper and play games. Invite a friend or neighbor!

### Eating Smart, Being Active Free Classes

The Georgia Department of Public Health will be offering a free 6-week course at LSMC in the

Fellowship Hall to promote good health and the prevention of nutrition-related chronic diseases. The classes will be held on Wednesdays from 11-1pm in the Fellowship Hall, starting on October 16th and ending on November 20th. The curriculum focuses on nutrition, physical activity, and food preparation. Each lesson includes a brief physical activity and a recipe demonstration. Upon completion of the course, you will receive a certificate and a cookbook. Please contact the church office to reserve your spot!

### Charge Conference October 20th at 4pm

Please join us at Dog River GMC for a time of worship and celebration for our first Charge Conference as a Global Methodist Church! Reverend Andy Postell will deliver the message and they are looking for churches to lead a congregation hymn or special chorus. If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact the church office. Refreshments will be served and we are asked to help provide foods such as cookies, brownies, finger sandwiches, or beverages. Please get in touch with the church office if you are able to contribute in this way. We look forward to seeing you there as we hear testimonies and join together in celebration of all God is doing in our church and in our district.

### Trunk or Treat Oct. 31st

The Children's Department would like to announce that Trunk or Treat 2024 will be held on Thursday, October 31st. Setup will begin at 6pm and from 6:30pm-8:00pm we will hand out candy to children of the community outside the Children's Wing. Please contact the church office if you plan to decorate a trunk and candy donations can be dropped off there, as well. Let's get creative and have some fun!

To contact the church office, please send correspondence to  
[office@lithiaspringsmethodist.org](mailto:office@lithiaspringsmethodist.org)  
Or call 770.948.5429

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