

Getting Out of the Boat

OCTOBER 13, 2024



LITHIA SPRINGS

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 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Glenn McElroy
Arr. Marvin Gaspard

OPENING HYMN* “Come, Thou Almighty King” #27

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 “The Model Prayer” Chancel Choir
Arr. Marty Parks

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN’S TIME Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY “O The Glory Of Your Presence” John Gentry
Arr. Tim Conyers

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*

"Lead Me, Lord"

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SCRIPTURE*

Matthew 14:22-31

Suzanne Williams

Jesus Walks on the Water

22 Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. 23 After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, 24 and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

25 Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

27 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

28 "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

29 "Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Diane Saunders

HYMN*

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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BENEDICTION*

Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"
Arr. Anna Laura Page

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, October 13:

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

Monday, October 14:

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, October 15:

7:00 p.m. Trustees

Wednesday, October 16:

11:00 a.m. Nutrition Class
5:30 p.m. Prayer Group
6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday, October 19:

6:00 p.m. Movie Night

Sunday, October 20:

9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
4:00 p.m. Charge Conference

Hurricane Relief Donations

In the wake of recent hurricanes, many in our region face significant challenges. Let us come together as a beacon of hope and support by gathering supplies such as canned goods, water, diapers, formula, baby food, crackers, peanut butter, granola bars, etc. We will deliver the items to Barton Methodist Church in Augusta, where our former youth minister Rev. Eric Hendrickson is pastor. Donations are accepted in the Children's Wing M-F from 10-2 and on Sunday mornings starting at 9am.

10+ Movie Night October 19th

Calling all youth ages ten and up for a movie night in the Children's Wing THIS Saturday, October 19th from 6-8:30pm. We will share pizza and popcorn and enjoy the movie "I Can Only Imagine." We encourage you to invite a friend!

LAST Family Fun Night October 23rd

Our next and last Family Fun Night of the year is on Wednesday, October 23rd 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!

Free Nutrition Classes Oct. 16th—Nov. 20th

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!

Quarterly Giving Statements are available for pickup on the credenza behind the sanctuary.

To contact the church office, please send correspondence to office@lithiaspringsmethodist.org
Or call 770.948.5429

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