



LITHIA SPRINGS

METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO
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*The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God,
in memory of Sara Bowden,
and in honor of the remarkable women of our church.
May their unwavering faith and dedicated service continue to inspire us all.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Glenn McElroy

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS,
AND INVOCATION**

Rev. Thomas Long
Karen Forehand

PRELUDE

Meditation on “What a Friend”
Arr. James Conely

Glenn McElroy

OPENING HYMN*

“Victory in Jesus”

#119

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

“We Fix Our Eyes”
Arr. Bruce Cokerof

Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN’S TIME

Beverly Kitchens

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Bonnie Standridge

OFFERTORY

“Leaning On the Everlasting Arms”
Arr. Albin C. Whitworth

John Gentry
Glenn McElroy

DOXOLOGY*

*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

#682

HYMN*

“To God Be the Glory”

#531

SCRIPTURE*

James 2:14-24

Susan Savage

Faith and Deeds

14 Dear brothers and sisters, What’s the use of saying you have faith if you don’t prove it by your actions? That kind of faith can’t save anyone. 15 Suppose you see a brother or sister who needs food or clothing, 16 and you say, “Well good-bye and God bless you; Stay warm and eat well” - but then you don’t give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do? 17 So you see, it isn’t enough just to have faith. Faith that doesn’t show itself by good deeds is no faith at all—it is dead and useless. 18 Now someone may argue, “Some people have faith; others have good deeds.” I say, “I can’t see your faith if you don’t have good deeds, but I will show you my faith through my good deeds.” 19 Do you still think it’s enough just to believe that there is one

God? Well even the demons believe this and they tremble in terror. 20 Fool! When will you ever learn that faith that does not result in good deeds is useless? 21 Don’t you remember that our ancestor Abraham was declared right with God because of what he did when he offered his son Issac on the alter? 22 You see he was trusting God so much that he was willing to do whatever God told him to do. His faith was made complete by what he did—by his actions. 23 And so it happened just as the scriptures say: Abraham believed God, so God declared him to be righteous. He was even called “the friend of God.” 24 So you see, we are made right with God by what we do, not by faith alone.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Margaret Arnold

HYMN*

“Fill My Cup, Lord”

Please See Insert

BENEDICTION*

Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE

“Jesus Shall Reign”
Arr. Douglas E.. Wagner

Glenn McElroy

**Please stand as you are comfortable.*

This Week's Schedule

Today, 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

Monday, October 21:

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62

Wednesday, October 23:

11:00 a.m. Nutrition Class
5:30 p.m. Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Family Fun Night
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Pack 62
6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 24:

7:00 p.m. Kitchen Committee

Sunday, October 27:

9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service
1:30 p.m. McKown Wedding Shower

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

LAST Family Fun Night October 23rd

Our last Family Fun Night of the year is THIS WEEK 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 TODAY at Dog River GMC for a time of worship and celebration for our first Charge Conference as a Global Methodist Church! Refreshments will be served and we are asked to help provide foods such as cookies, brownies, finger sandwiches, or beverages. 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

Trunk or Treat is NEXT WEEK 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!

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

It's that time of year again! We are excited to announce our participation in Operation Christmas Child through Samaritan's Purse. This wonderful initiative allows us to share God's love with children in need around the world by filling shoeboxes with gifts that bring joy and hope. We will begin collecting items for shoeboxes on November 1. Come join us on Saturday, November 16 to pack the shoeboxes! Stay tuned for the time and further details about this gathering. Here are some suggested items to donate: Toothbrushes, Socks, Combs and hairbrushes, Pens, pencils, and sharpeners, Crayons and markers, Notebooks, Flip-flops, Flashlights, etc. Please Avoid donating: Candy, Toothpaste, Gum, Seeds, Foods, Liquids, Lotions, as these types of gifts create issues with customs. Join us in making a difference this Christmas season! For more information or to get involved, please contact the church office.

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