

“You are the light of the world”

OCTOBER 27, 2024



LITHIA SPRINGS

METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO
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*The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God,
and in honor of Mike and Pam Arther's fifty-first wedding anniversary.
May they have many more joyful and blessed years together.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR John Gentry

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

PRELUDE "Meditation for Worship" John Gentry
X. Scharwenka/Arr. Frank Asper

HYMN* "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" #458

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 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Handbell Choir
Arr. F. Thomas Simpson

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”
Arr. Jason W. Krug

Handbell Choir

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

ACOLYTE REAFFIRMATION & INSTALLATION

Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN*

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

#670

SCRIPTURE*

Matthew 5:14-16

Jim Lantz

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN*

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

#217

BENEDICTION*

Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE

“Fugue in G Major”
J.S. Bach

John Gentry

*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 worshiping with us!*

**Please stand as you are comfortable.*

This Week's Schedule

Today, 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

Monday, October 21:

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, October 29:

7:00 p.m. Kitchen Committee

Wednesday, October 23:

11:00 a.m. Nutrition Class
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

Thursday, October 31:

6:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat

Sunday, November 3:

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

Dear church family,

Thank you all for the support you have given us since Will's sudden passing. Whether you cooked a meal, sent a card, said a prayer or just gave me a hug, we appreciate you. Only God can truly ease our pain, but he has certainly used you to be his hands and feet (as He usually does!) Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

- The Deakin family (including Margaret!)

Hurricane Relief

We can't thank you enough for your incredible generosity in supporting the hurricane relief efforts in Augusta. Thanks to your kindness, we were able to deliver our first truckload of supplies to Barton Methodist Church last Saturday, bringing hope and help to those who need it most after the recent hurricanes.

We're organizing another trip to Augusta and would greatly appreciate any non-perishable foods, diapers, wipes,

cleaning products, water, or other essentials you can share. If you'd like to contribute, please drop your donations off in the music room of the Children's Wing. Your support makes a real difference for those in need, and we are so grateful for each of you!

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

The Georgia Department of Public Health is 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 sign up!

Trunk or Treat Oct. 31st

Trunk or Treat is THIS 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 of 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. Designated, monetary gifts are accepted. 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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