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and each one of you is a part of it.”



January 26, 2025



LITHIA SPRINGS

METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME TO LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

*The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God
and in remembrance of Robbie Camp's birthday, given by his Mom and Dad.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Glenn McElroy

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVOCATION Rev. Thomas Long

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 19 Please see Insert

PRELUDE "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"
Arr. Anna Laura Page Glenn McElroy

HYMN* "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace" No 571

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH* The Apostles' Creed No 691

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 "Give Me Jesus"
Arr. Fettke Chancel Choir
Soloist Vickie Brubaker

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN'S TIME Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY "God Is So Good"
Arr. Lorenz John Gentry

DOXOLOGY* No 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* "My Jesus, I Love Thee" No 117

SCRIPTURE* 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 Margaret L. Jackson
12 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.
13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. 14 Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

15 Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. 16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. 19 If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

21 The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" 22 On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23 and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, 24 while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, 25 so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it

27 Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. 28 And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? 31 Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

And yet I will show you the most excellent way.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN* "Here I Am, Lord" No 589

BENEDICTION Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE "Another Year is Dawning"
Arr. Mary McDonald 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, January 26:

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

Monday, January 27:

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, January 28:

6:30 p.m. Meet and Greet

Wednesday, January 29:

4:30 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, January 30:

7:00 p.m. Finance

Sunday, February 2:

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

Meet and Greet with N. GA GMC Bishop

We are excited and blessed to have Bishop John Pena Auta from Nigeria meet with us as a district on Tuesday, January 28th from 6:30pm-8:00pm at Carrollton First Methodist Church, 206 Newnan St., in their Fellowship Hall. We will eat supper, enjoy fellowship around the table, and hear from Bishop Auta. Please RSVP to the church office by tomorrow, Monday, January 27th to reserve your spot.

GMC IGNITE

Special Called Annual Conference

Saturday, February 1st – 9:30 am- 3:00 pm
Church on the Hill
4600 Nelson Brogdon Blvd.
Sugar Hill, GA 30518

Join us for this Special Called Annual Conference Event as we IGNITE our local churches to live according to the vision of the Global Methodist Church. We are blessed to have David Watson leading us in exploring scriptural holiness and how we can learn to spread it in our communities. We also hope Bishop John Pena Auta can join us for this special time together. Please register early, as we do have limited seats available. Lunch is included with your registration at www.ngagmc.org/ignite.

Fully Devoted 8-week Bible Study

This begins next week, on Tuesday February 4th from 10:00am-11:00am, and will continue over the next eight weeks. Please fill out the bulletin insert and place in the offering plate or call the church office to reserve your book.

Sara Bowden Women's Group Luncheon

On Wednesday, February 12th at 12:30 the Methodist Women's Group will meet at Eggs-Up Grill for a luncheon and a time of fellowship. All women of the church are invited to attend. Please call Karen Forehand at 678.642.7575 or the church office to RSVP.

GMC Annual Conference June 5-7th 2025

Registration for this event goes live tomorrow, January 20, so be on the lookout for more info! This year, Greensboro Methodist's Lake Oconee Campus will be our host.

Nursery Volunteers

If you love children and have a heart to serve, we are seeking a group of volunteers that can rotate as nursery attendants on Sunday mornings. Please let the church office know if you are interested.

Eyeglasses Donated

Praise! And thank you for your generosity! The Progressive Class recently shipped twenty-four pairs of used eyeglasses to Glasses for the Masses!

Donate Used Religious Literature

The Progressive Class is carrying on the legacy of Nancy Morgan, who made it her mission to send used religious literature to an organization called Love Packages in Decatur, Alabama. Used Upper Rooms, Sunday School lesson books, other Bible study books are all accepted. Please drop off your donations in the Progressive classroom to help share the Good News!

Website & YouTube Channel Launch

Visit our website at lithiaspringsmethodist.org for the latest news, events, and resources. Check out our YouTube channel at youtube.com/@LithiaSpringsMethodistChurch to enjoy recordings of our Sunday worship services.

Annual giving statements were mailed this week.

To contact the church office,

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