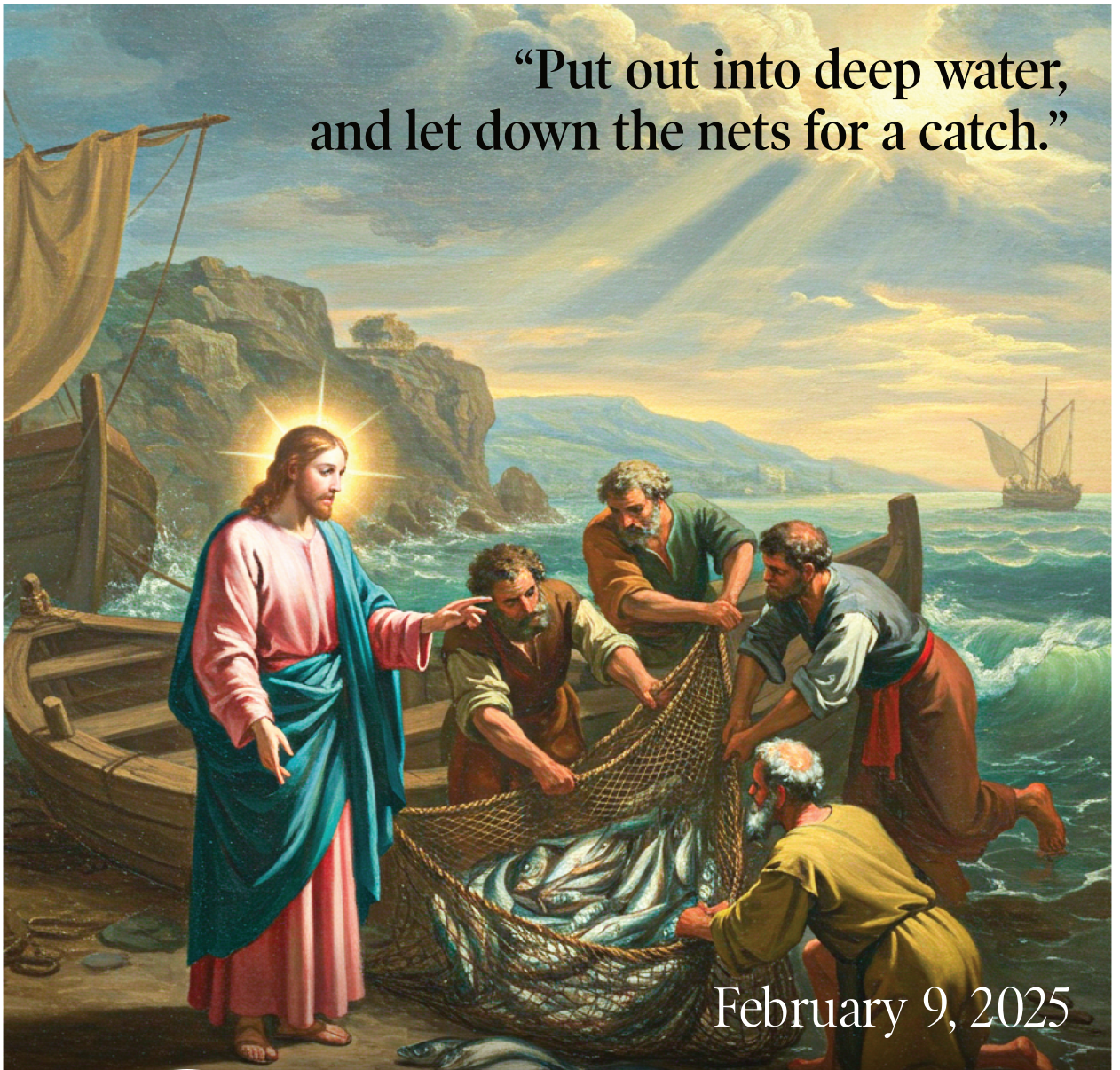


“Put out into deep water,  
and let down the nets for a catch.”



February 9, 2025



**LITHIA SPRINGS**  

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**METHODIST CHURCH**

# WELCOME TO LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

*The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in recognition of the many BSA committee members, leaders, and scouts of our congregation and community who, through their commitment to faith, service, and leadership, make the world a better place. Thank you!*

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR** Glenn McElroy

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

**PRELUDE** “I Will Sing of My Redeemer” Glenn McElroy  
Arr. Anna Laura Page

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 138

*I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.*

*I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.*

*When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me.*

*May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord, when they hear what you have decreed.*

**May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.**

**Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar.**

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.**

**The Lord will vindicate me; your love, Lord, endures forever — do not abandon the works of your hands.**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” № 23, Verse 1

**HYMN\*** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” № 37

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH\*** The Apostles’ Creed № 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.

<b>ANTHEM</b>	“Hymn of Promise” Natalie Sleeth	Chancel Choir
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER</b>		Rev. Thomas Long
<b>CHILDREN’S TIME</b>		Rev. Thomas Long
<b>OFFERTORY PRAYER</b>		Rev. Thomas Long
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	“I Worship You, Almighty God” Arr. Frank Breazeale	John Gentry Glenn McElroy
<b>DOXOLOGY*</b>		№ 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	
<b>HYMN*</b>	“My Jesus, My Savior”	№ 124
<b>SCRIPTURE*</b>	Luke 5:1-11	Bart Arther
	5 One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. 2 He saw at the water’s edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. 3 He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.	
	4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.”	
	5 Simon answered, “Master, we’ve worked hard all night and haven’t caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.”	
	6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. 7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.	
	8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!” 9 For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, 10 and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners.	
	Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” 11 So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.	
	Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. <b>People: Thanks be to God.</b>	
<b>SERMON</b>		Rev. Thomas Long
<b>HYMN*</b>	“Amazing Grace”	№ 572
<b>BENEDICTION</b>		Rev. Thomas Long
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” Arr. Anna Laura Page	Glenn McElroy

**\*Please stand as you are comfortable.**



## This Week's Schedule

### Today, February 9:

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

### Monday, February 10:

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

### Tuesday, February 11:

10:00 a.m. .... Fully Devoted Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. .... Brotherhood of Methodist Men

### Wednesday, February 12:

12:30 p.m. .... Women's Group Luncheon  
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

### Sunday, February 16:

9:00 a.m. .... Visit to Grace Methodist Church  
9:45 a.m. .... Adult Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. .... Children's Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. .... Worship Service

### Celebrating Our Scouts and Their Leaders!

We are grateful for the many Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts who are a vital part of our community, learning valuable life skills, building character, and serving others. Their dedication to leadership, service, and teamwork is truly inspiring! A sincere thank-you also goes to the many committee members and leaders who guide, mentor, and support these young scouts. Your time, effort, and commitment help shape the future leaders of tomorrow. We appreciate all you do to make scouting such a meaningful experience!

### Join the Chancel Choir for our Easter Cantata

We will begin rehearsing for our Easter cantata this Wednesday, February 12, at 7:45p.m. The cantata will be presented during the 11:00a.m. service on Sunday, April 13. We welcome anyone who would like to sing with us on a "part-time" basis, specifically for the Cantata, or to join us full-time for our regular worship schedule. Cantata rehearsals take place at the beginning of our weekly choir practice at 7:45. For more information, please see Cindy or any choir member.

### Visit to Grace Methodist Church in VR

Sunday, February 16, 2025, at 9:00a.m.

206 S. Carroll Rd. Villa Rica, GA 30180

### J. Collins Funeral Home, Chapel

We invite you all to join us at this newly planted GMC church in Villa Rica for their 9a.m. worship service. We would like to show them our support for their mission to establish a GMC in that area. After their service, we will travel back to LSMC

for our normal Sunday Worship service at 11a.m.

### Be Still and Know God GMC Annual Conference

June 5-7<sup>th</sup> 2025

### Greensboro Methodist's Lake Oconee Campus

Registration for GMC Annual Conference is now available at <https://ngagmc.org/AC2025/>

### Sara Bowden Women's Group Luncheon

On Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 19, 2025, at 2:00p.m.

It will be here before we know it! Please consider donating candy and small toys with which to stuff eggs for the hunt. These can be dropped off in the church office or in the Children's Wing to Kevin.

### Free Six-Week Nutrition Class

April 23rd, 30th, May 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th 2025

11:00am - 12:30p.m. at LSMC.

Please contact the church office to register.

### Nursery Volunteers Needed

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.

### 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](http://lithiaspringsmethodist.org) for the latest news, events, and resources. Check out our YouTube channel at [youtube.com/@LithiaSpringsMethodistChurch](https://youtube.com/@LithiaSpringsMethodistChurch) to enjoy recordings of our Sunday worship services.

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