

“Worship the Lord your God
and serve him only.”



March 9, 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 Carolyn Russell Anderson's 84th birthday, March 8, 1941, with love from Dale Anderson.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Glenn McElroy

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INVOCATION Rev. Thomas Long

PRELUDE “He Leadeth Me” Glenn McElroy
Arr. Jason D. Payne

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP* Psalm 91

1 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

9 If you say, “The Lord is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling, 10 no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.

11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

12 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

13 You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

14 “Because he loves me,” says the Lord, “I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.

15 He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.

16 With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.”

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

HYMN* “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” № 3

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.

ANTHEM “God Leads Us Along” Chancel Choir
Arr. Jay Rouse

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN’S TIME Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY “Grace Greater Than Our Sin” Glenn McElroy
Arr. Tedd Smith, Don Hustad John Gentry

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* “Seek Ye First” № 341

SCRIPTURE* Luke 4:1-13 Olivia Frempong

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, 2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

3 The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread.”

4 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone.’”

5 The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. 6 And he said to him, “I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. 7 If you worship me, it will all be yours.”

8 Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.’”

9 The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. “If you are the Son of God,” he said, “throw yourself down from here.

10 For it is written: “‘He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;

11 they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.’”

12 Jesus answered, “It is said: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

13 When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN* “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” № 47

BENEDICTION Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing” Glenn McElroy
Arr. Lyndell Leatherman

This Week's Schedule

Today, March 9:

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

Monday, March 10:

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, March 11:

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

Wednesday, March 12:

6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 62
6:45 p.m. Handbell Practice
7:45 p.m. Choir Practice

Friday, March 14:

10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Stuffing, Children's Wing

Saturday, March 15:

10:00 a.m. Sara Bowden Methodist Women's Group

Sunday, March 16:

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

Sara Bowden Women's Group Meeting

THIS Saturday, March 15th, at 10:00a.m. In the children's building!

Special Guest Performance

Join us on Tuesday, April 1st at 10a.m. in the Sanctuary for a special performance by the Glory Quartet!
RSVP to the church office.

LSMC Community Garden Workday

Saturday, April 5th from 9-12pm. Come out and help prepare the garden for the growing season!

Easter Cantata

Join us on Palm Sunday, April 13th during worship for the Chancel and Handbell Choir's presentation of their 2025 Easter Cantata.

Brotherhood of Methodist Men's Yard Sale

Support the LSMC Men's group by donating items in good condition to be sold on Saturday, May 3rd! Donations can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall.

Nutrition Class Postponed

This course has been postponed until we confirm schedules and programming with the new instructor.

Baseball Day!

We are still working out the details for this event so stay tuned for further info in the coming weeks. TBD.

Scout's Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

When kitchen renovations near completion we will have a better idea of when the world's best spaghetti can be shared by all. TBD.

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, as well as themed baskets to give away at the event. These can be dropped off in the church office or in the Children's Wing. Thank you!

Be Still and Know God

GMC Annual Conference

June 5-7th Greensboro Methodist's

Lake Oconee Campus

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

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 share your interest with the church office.

Donate Used Religious Literature & Eyeglasses

Please drop off donations in the Progressive classroom.

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.

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