

"For the battle is the Lord's,
and he will give all of you into our hands."



LITHIA SPRINGS
METHODIST CHURCH

September 21, 2025

WELCOME TO
LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

*The flowers in the chancel area are dedicated to the glory of God,
and in loving memory of Will Deakin, given by Doug and
Georgia Deakin, in honor of his life.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Glenn McElroy

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS,
AND INVOCATION**

Rev. Thomas Long

PRELUDE

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Glenn McElroy

Arr. John Carter

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 144:9-15

*I will sing a new song to you, my God; on the ten-stringed
lyre I will make music to you,*

**To the One who gives victory to kings, who
delivers his servant David.**

From the deadly sword deliver me;

**Rescue me from the hands of foreigners
whose mouths are full of lies, whose right
hands are deceitful.**

*Then our sons in their youth will be like well-nurtured
plants, and our daughters will be like pillars carved to adorn
a palace.*

**Our barns will be filled with every kind of
provision. Our sheep will increase by
thousands, by tens of thousands in our fields;**

*Our oxen will draw heavy loads. There will be no breaching
of walls, no going into captivity, no cry of distress in our
streets.*

**Blessed is the people of whom this is true;
blessed is the people whose God is the Lord.**

CHORAL RESPONSE*

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

No 23

HYMN*

“I Stand Amazed in the Presence”

No 122

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

“He is Here”

Vickie Brubaker, Soloist

Arr. Robert Sterling

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN’S TIME

Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY

“His Eye is On the Sparrow”
Vickie Brubaker, Soloist
Martin & Gabriel

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
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HYMN*

“Be Thou My Vision”
№ 49

SCRIPTURE*

1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 32-33, 37, 40-49
Scott Bragg

17 Now the Philistines gathered their forces for war and assembled at Sokoh in Judah.

4 A champion named Goliath, who was from Gath, came out of the Philistine camp. His height was six cubits and a span. 5 He had a bronze helmet on his head and wore a coat of scale armor of bronze weighing five thousand shekels; 6 on his legs he wore bronze greaves, and a bronze javelin was slung on his back. 7 His spear shaft was like a weaver's rod, and its iron point weighed six hundred shekels. His shield bearer went ahead of him.

8 Goliath stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, “Why do you come out and line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not the servants of Saul? Choose a man and have him come down to me. 9 If he is able to fight and kill me, we will become your subjects; but if I overcome him and kill him, you will become our subjects and serve us.” 10 Then the Philistine said, “This day I defy the armies of Israel! Give me a man and let us fight each other.” 11 On hearing the Philistine's words, Saul and all the Israelites were dismayed and terrified.

32 David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”

33 Saul replied, “You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth.”

37 The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.”

Saul said to David, “Go, and the Lord be with you.”

40 Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.

41 Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David. 42 He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him. 43 He said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 “Come here,” he said, “and I'll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!”

45 David said to the Philistine, “You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. 47 All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands.”

48 As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. 49 Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***Please stand as you are comfortable**

SERMON

Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN*

“Stand By Me”

No 352

BENEDICTION

Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Glenn McElroy

Arr. Marvin Gaspard

This Week’s Schedule

Today, September 21:

- 9:45 a.m.....Adult Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m..... Children’s Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, September 22:

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 62
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Tuesday, September 23:

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, September 24:

- 5:00 p.m. Prayer Group
- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Pack 62
- 6:00 p.m. Family Fun Night
- 6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir/Cantata Choir

Sunday, September 28 :

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

Chancel Choir’s

Christmas Cantata NEEDS YOU!

Join us now for the Christmas season on Wednesday nights at 7:35pm. All voices welcome. We will perform on Sunday, December 7th at 11am.

Youth Group TODAY

September 21st, 4 PM

Youth ages 10 and up are invited. We’ll meet every other Sunday in the Children’s Building. Bring your Books and invite a friend!

Family Fun Night THIS WEEK

Next FFN is THIS WEEK, Wednesday, September 24th, at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend or neighbor and join us for supper and fun!

Not My Jesus Bible Study

Monday, September 15th at 7 PM

Tuesday, September 16th at 10 AM.

September Prayer Conference

The NGA GMC presents a Prayer Conference with Steve Seamands on Saturday, September 27, 10:00 AM–2:00 PM at Hillside Church in Woodstock. Register at:

<https://form.jotform.com/251325391712048>.

Save the Date!

Fall Festival Saturday, Oct. 4th, 11-4pm. If you would like to host a booth and sell your crafts, art, treats, services, etc., please call or email the church office. Be on the lookout for volunteer sign-ups!

Charge Conference 2025

Sunday, November 23rd, at 3pm

Here, at Lithia Springs Methodist Church!

Prayer Requests

Please remember to lift up our brothers and sisters in Christ in your prayers throughout the week:

Betty Andrews • Mae Ora O’Shields • Sarah & Zach Varnell • Debra Livingston • Joetta Hayes • Betty McWhorter • Victims of violence throughout our land • Hank Seedorf • Koreen Lail • Diane Dempsey • Linda & Brandy Brackett • Alan Hem-bree

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