

Submit yourself to God



LITHIA SPRINGS

METHODIST CHURCH

November 2, 2025

WELCOME TO LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

*The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God
and in loving remembrance of Chuck Standridge on his
birthday, by his Mom.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Glenn McElroy

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND INVOCATION

Scott Bragg, Lay Leader

PRELUDE

“Shine, Jesus Shine”

Glenn McElroy

Arr. Peggy Bettcher

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 103: 1-12

*Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his
holy name.*

**Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all
his benefits—**

who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

**who redeems your life from the pit and
crowns you with love and compassion,**

*who satisfies your desires with good things so that your
youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

**The Lord works righteousness and justice for
all the oppressed.**

*He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people
of Israel:*

**The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.**

*He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger
forever;*

**he does not treat us as our sins deserve or
repay us according to our iniquities.**

*For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is
his love for those who fear him;*

**as far as the east is from the west, so far has
he removed our transgressions from us.**

CHORAL RESPONSE*

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

No 23

HYMN*

“Victory in Jesus”

No 119

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

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Handbell Choir

Arr. F. Thomas Simpson

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Diane Saunders

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jess Arther

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Diane Saunders

OFFERTORY

“How Majestic is Your Name”

Handbell Choir

Arr. Susan Geschke

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*

“His Name is Wonderful”
Praise and Worship
№ 90

SCRIPTURE*

Michael Offei
James 4: 1-8

Submit Yourselves to God

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? 2 You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. 3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

4 You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. 5 Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? 6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:

“God opposes the proud
but shows favor to the humble.”

7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

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

SERMON

Rev. Diane Saunders

HYMN*

“As the Deer”
Praise and Worship
№ 200

BENEDICTION

Rev. Diane Saunders

POSTLUDE

“To God Be the Glory”
Glenn McElroy
Arr. Lloyd Larson

This Week's Schedule

Today, November 2:

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, November 3:

5:00 p.m. CE Mitchell Tutoring Services
7:00 p.m. Advent Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, November 4:

10:00 a.m. Advent Bible Study
5:00 p.m. CE Mitchell Tutoring Services
7:00 p.m. Admin Council

Wednesday, November 5:

4:00 p.m. Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Pack 62
6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir/Cantata Choir

Thursday, November 6:

6:30 p.m. HFTB meeting
5:00 p.m. CE Mitchell Tutoring Services

Sunday, November 9:

9:45 a.m.....Adult Sunday School
9:45 a.m..... Children's Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
12:00 p.m. Soup and Salad Fundraiser

Thank You!

We would like to extend a warm thank you to everyone who helped make our Trunk or Treat a success! Whether you hosted a trunk or donated candy, your creativity and generosity made the evening fun and memorable for all who attended. Thank you for helping us share joy and community spirit with the families of Lithia Springs!

Women's Group Soup and Salad Sunday

Is NEXT Sunday, November 9th at 12:00 p.m.
\$10 per person or \$25 for family of four!
Come out and support the designated missions of the Sara Bowden Unit's Methodist Women's Group immediately following worship.

***Please stand as you are comfortable**

Medicare Enrollment Class – Interest Sign-Up

Are you approaching Medicare enrollment or unsure how to choose the right plan? LSMC is considering hosting an informational class led by Monique Pinkney with 4M Tax Financial Services to help guide you through the process of selecting and enrolling in a Medicare plan. We're currently gauging interest before scheduling the class. If you would like to attend or learn more, please call or email the church office to add your name to the interest list.

Douglas County Senior Services Kinship Program

On Tuesday, December 16, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Douglas County Senior Services will host a special evening for grandparents age 55 and older who are raising children. Enjoy a meal, an informative presentation, and a fun activity designed to support and encourage families in this important role. Childcare will be provided. Please call the church office to reserve your spot!

After-School Tutoring at LSMC

We are excited to share that Lithia Springs Methodist Church has partnered with the C.E. Mitchell Services Foundation to provide after-school tutoring right here in our Children's Building! Tutoring is available on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 5:00–8:00 PM, offering students extra support in Math and Language Arts. We are grateful for this new opportunity to serve families in our community and help students reach their full potential! Please call the church office for more information.

Youth Group TODAY! November 2nd, 4 PM

Youth ages 10 and up are invited. Meet in the Children's Building. Bring your Books and invite a friend!

Remaining dates for 2025 are: Nov. 16.

Save the Date! OCC Shoebox Packing Party Saturday, November 15th, at 2:00 p.m

in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. Join us for a fun and meaningful afternoon as we pack Christmas gifts for children around the world through Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child! Enjoy light refreshments and fellowship while helping share the love of Christ—one shoebox at a time.

Charge Conference 2025

Sunday, November 23rd, at 3pm
Here, at Lithia Springs Methodist Church!

Save the Date! Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 30th, at 11am

Save the Date! Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 7th, at 11am

Save the Date! Movie Night

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever
Sunday, December 7th, at 2pm, Fellowship Hall

Save the Date! How Far to Bethlehem

Experience the wonder of Christmas at LSMC's live drive-thru nativity, How Far to Bethlehem, on December 12, 13, and 14 from 7:00–9:00 PM. Journey through the story of Christ's birth from the comfort of your car as living scenes bring the miracle of that holy night to life. This special ministry is free and open to all. We also invite you to be part of the story! Volunteers are needed to serve as actors, greeters, traffic guides, and dressing assistants. Help is also needed for scene setup and breakdown. If you'd like to participate in this meaningful outreach, please call or email the church office. Come celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with us—there's a place for everyone in Bethlehem!

Save the Date! Christmas Party

Sunday, December 21st, at 12:00pm

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 • Rosamary & Danny Johnson • Kenneth Bowden • Mike & Pam Arther • Middle East Peace Agreement • Sherry Walker • Troyce & Marie Hendricks • Joetta Hayes Bill Camp

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