

“This is my Son, and I love him.”



LITHIA SPRINGS
METHODIST CHURCH

January 11, 2026

WELCOME TO
LITHIA SPRINGS METHODIST CHURCH

The flowers in the chancel area are given to the glory of God

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Glenn McElroy

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS
AND INVOCATION**

Rev. Thomas Long

PRELUDE

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

Glenn McElroy

Arr. James Michael Stevens

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 29

*Praise the Lord, you angels in heaven. Praise the Lord for
his glory and strength.*

**Praise the Lord for the glory that belongs to
him. Worship the Lord because of his beauty
and holiness.**

*The voice of the Lord is heard over the waters. The God of
glory thunders. The Lord thunders over the mighty waters.*

**The voice of the Lord is powerful. The voice
of the Lord is majestic.**

*The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees. The Lord
breaks the cedars of Lebanon into pieces.*

**He makes the mountains of Lebanon leap
like a calf. He makes Mount Hermon jump
like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of lightning.

**The voice of the Lord shakes the desert. The
Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.**

*The voice of the Lord twists the oak trees. It strips the
forests bare. And in his temple everyone cries out, “Glory!”*

The Lord on his throne rules over the flood.

The Lord rules from his throne as King forever.

**The Lord gives strength to his people. The
Lord blesses his people with peace.**

CHORAL RESPONSE*

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

№ 23

HYMN*

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

№ 27

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

“O Magnify the Lord”

Chancel Choir

Arr. Mark Andrew

PASTORAL PRAYER; LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Thomas Long

CHILDREN’S TIME

Rev. Thomas Long

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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OFFERTORY

“God Is So Good”

John Gentry

Arr. Douglas Wagner

THE DOXOLOGY*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Louis Bourgeois
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HYMN*

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

No 113

SCRIPTURE

Harriett Frempong

Matthew 3:13-17

13 Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River. He wanted to be baptized by John. 14 But John tried to stop him. So he told Jesus, “I need to be baptized by you. So why do you come to me?”

15 Jesus replied, “Let it be this way for now. It is right for us to do this. It carries out God’s holy plan.” Then John agreed.

16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened. Jesus saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove. 17 A voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, and I love him. I am very pleased with him.”

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Thomas Long

HYMN*

“My Jesus, My Savior”

No 124

BENEDICTION

Rev. Thomas Long

POSTLUDE

“Lift Up Your Heads”

Glenn McElroy

Arr. Robert MacDonald

This Week’s Schedule

Today, January 11:

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

Monday, January 12:

5:00 p.m. Tutoring
7:00 p.m. Scouts Troop 62

Tuesday, January 13:

5:00 p.m. Tutoring
7:00 p.m. Admin Council

Wednesday, January 14:

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

Thursday, January 15:

5:00 p.m. Tutoring
6:00 p.m. HVAC Meeting

Saturday, January 17:

10:00 a.m. Women’s Meeting

Sunday, January 18:

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

Thank you to our acolytes, communion stewards, and ushers for the faithful work you do to enhance our worship and for your service to our Savior, Jesus Christ, and Lithia Springs Methodist Church.

***Please stand as you are comfortable**

Acolytes:

Ibrahim Taye, Jamal Taye, Aminata Taye, Elizabeth Frempong, Yaw Frempong, Esmeralda Hernandez, Sam Arther, Vickie Brubaker

Communion Stewards:

Patsy Bowzard, Michael Barrett, Harriet Frempong

Ushers:

Phil Williams, Bonnie Stanbridge, Jim Smith, Mustafa Taye

We also extend our gratitude to Alexander Hernandez, Miss Harriet and Olivia Frempong, Braxton Esancy, and Margaret Jackson for their service during the previous year, and to the parents who faithfully support their children in serving as acolytes.

A gift has been received in honor of these faithful servants.

Methodist Women's Group Jan. 17th

All women of the church are warmly invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Methodist Women's Group. Meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month in the Fellowship Hall.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, January 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Light refreshments will be served.

We look forward to a time of fellowship and encouragement together!

Scout Troop 62 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Join us in supporting Scout Troop 62 at their Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Sunday, February 8, immediately following the worship service, in the Fellowship Hall.

\$10 per plate

\$25 for a family of four

Proceeds help offset the cost of Scout camp.

Thank you for supporting Scout Troop 62!

After School Tutoring at LSMC

The C.E. Mitchell Foundation will begin after school tutoring again this week on Thursday, January 8th. Spaces are available through May 2026 on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 5-8pm. Please call the church office for more information.

FREE - Church Pew Available

One wooden pew from the children's wing is available for free to anyone who wants it. It is heavy! You'll need help moving it. Contact the church office if interested. First come, first served!

Annual giving statements are available on the credenza behind the sanctuary. After Jan 18; statements that are not picked up will be mailed.

Prayer Requests

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

Betty Corrollo • Adrienne Forehand • Susan Bennet • Betty Andrews • Mae Ora O'Shields • Rosamary & Danny Johnson • Kenneth Bowden • Mike & Pam Arther • Sherry & George Walker • Diane Dempsey • Sybil Clower • Lance Gay • John Gentry • Sandra Rodriguez • Mike & Linda Lipe • Harold Staples • Pat Smith

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