

Mission Statement of Midway Presbyterian Church

Our purpose is to call people into a living and growing relationship with God in Jesus Christ with the help of the Holy Spirit, and to promote the mission of Christ in compassionate ministries.

We intend to be a welcoming and caring church – a church family that nurtures a sense of community and belonging. We want young and old to join us in the Christian pilgrimage as sojourners in the great adventure of faith.

The Church Staff

Dr. John McCallum	Pastor
Mrs. Roz Rozakos	Choir Director
Mrs. Beth Croft	Pianist
Ms. Cindy Wentzky	Media Specialist
Mrs. LeNelle Chastain	Secretary

Session

<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Elaine Gilmore	Dee Ashworth	Linda Mylod
Jacky Stamps (Clerk)	John Dodwell	Roz Rozakos
Terry Waddell	Marilyn Martin	

Commissioned Deacon

Earle King

Treasurers

Bob Harrell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper



Established 1833

MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service

December 5, 2021

10:30 a.m.

“A Voice Cries, ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’”

~~Luke3:4b

The Service For the Lord’s Day

Second Sunday of Advent

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder John Dodwell
Jar Offering	The Shadow House (Division of Haven of Rest)

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Lighting of the Advent Candle

Bob and Elnor Harrell

Sermon

“A Time for Refinement”

Dr. John McCallum

*Hymn #259

“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Cleansing God, we hear the call to repentance, but we struggle to respond. A voice tells us to turn around, but we prefer our own ways. You seek to purify us in love and truth, but we elude your searching hand. Our sin leads us in other directions, away from you, away from life. Look with mercy upon us. Clear a place within us so that something new might be born, something that might return us to the way you have shown us in Jesus Christ, in whose name we make this prayer and the silent prayers we offer now in the quiet of these moments. (Silence.) Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: The Peace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson

Malachi 3:1-4

Anthem

“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”

The Choir

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 3:1-6

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #279

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

*Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles’ Creed*

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I BELIEVE in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Music

*The Doxology

The Prayers of the People

The Sending

*Hymn #266

“That Beautiful Name”

*Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

“What Can I Give Him?”

*What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man I would do my part;
Yet what can I give Him? Give Him my heart.*

*Postlude

(*Those who are able may stand.)

December 5, 2021

Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Elders' Prayer Time in Library	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Tues.	Country Place HOA	6:30 p.m.
Wed.	Parish Care Team Meeting	12:00 noon
Thurs.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

John Dodwell

Head Usher

Marilyn Martin

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bob Harrell Next Week: Jacky Stamps

This Week's Birthdays

Dec. 5 Kathy Gilmore

11 Linda Hawkins

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for December will go to The Shadow House of Haven of Rest, an addition to Under His Wings Women's Ministry. This is a long-term (12-month) residential discipleship for women with life-dominating issues.

Appreciation is expressed to all who helped decorate the Church on Saturday.

The Parish Care Team will meet in the Activities Room of the Manse at noon on Wednesday, December 8.

The Session has called for our Annual Congregational Meeting to be held following Worship, on Sunday, December 12. The budget for 2022 will be presented. A report from the CORD Committee will be heard. And Dr. McCallum will review a few of the highlights of 2021.

If you have purchased tickets to "Jingle Bell Rock", please see Linda Mylod to get them this morning.

On Christmas Eve there will be a Communion/Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. The Annual Christmas Joy Offering will be received.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2021

If you would like to help decorate the church for the Christmas Season you may order poinsettias as a memorial or honorarium by filling out the form below. The poinsettias can be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, December 26th. **The cost is \$7.00.** Please return form to the church office or drop in offering plate along with payment by December 5th. **Payment MUST be included with request (make checks payable to Midway Presbyterian Church).**

Number of Poinsettias: _____ **Amount Paid:** _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Given By: _____