#### **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 2023</u>	<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>
Linda Mylod	Bob Harrell	Dee Ashworth
Roz Rozakos	Marilyn Mamrick	Marilyn Martin
Jacky Stamps (Clerk)	Tom Waddell	Amy Morris

#### **Commissioned Deacon**

Earle King

#### **Treasurers**

Bob Harrell Disbursing Treasurer Linda Mylod Receiving Treasurer

## Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

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# MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service April 16, 2023 10:30 a.m.

You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
In your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
~~Psalm 16:11

# The Service For the Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Easter

# The Gathering

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft

Introit The Choir

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting Dr. John McCallum

Announcements Elder Dee Ashworth

Jar Offering Anderson Pregnancy Care

Responsive Call to Worship

Rev. Debbie Foster

Leader: The Lord is in his holy temple,

People: let all the earth be silent before him.

Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

People: who was, and is, and is to come.

Unison: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth!

**Opening Prayer** 

\*Hymn #139 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

\*Call to Confession

## \*Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess that though we want the world to be different, we resist needed changes in our own lives. We want to live by faith, but often we are ruled by doubt. As fearful as we are, we dare, right now, to open our hearts and minds to let you in. Assure us that we can take refuge in you, and through the Holy Spirit, live the new life Christ calls us to. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we offer this prayer and the silent prayers we utter 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	
Psalm 16	
"Alleluia"	The Choir
1 Peter 1:3-9	
	Psalm 16 "Alleluia"

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Life of Trust"

#### **Responding to the Word**

Dr. John McCallum

\*Hymn #571

"Trust and Obey"

Brief Statement of Faith (11.2) \*Affirmation of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Music

\*The Doxology

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

#### The Sending

\*Hymn #575

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Choral Benediction #368

"He Lives"

He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way He live, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart!

\*Postlude

(\*Those who are able may stand.)



The Lovely Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Wayne and Beth Croft to the Glory of God and in honor of Jonathan on his birthday, today, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **April 16, 2023**

# **Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events**

## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Session Meeting** 

Wed. Vision Committee Noon

Thurs. Upstate Homeschool Hybrid 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Scouts 5:00 p.m.

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# **Those Serving Our Church**

Elder Head Usher
Dee Ashworth Jacky Stamps

# **Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Jacky Stamps Next Week: Amy Morris

# **This Week's Birthdays**

Apr. 16 Jonathan Croft

**Dickie King** 

21 Sam Harrell

Frank Wentzky

#### Announcements

**Our Jar Offering** for April will go to Anderson Pregnancy Care, a non-profit committed to providing education, encouragement, and support to women of all ages facing untimely pregnancies, believing that the life of the pre-born is precious, as is the life of the mother.

The Session will meet today following Worship.

**The Vision Team** will meet this Wednesday, April 19, at noon.

The Administration and Finance Committee will meet next Sunday, April 23, following Worship.

The Building and Grounds Committee has set April  $29^{th}$  as the spring clean-up day from 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. If you know of things that need to be handled on this date, please let Jacky Stamps know. Refreshments will be available. We hope as many as possible will be there to help with this endeavor.

## **Evening of Fun at a Calvary Home Fundraiser!**

On Thursday evening, May 11<sup>th</sup>, some of us are attending the "Luminary Gala", a Calvary Home fundraising dinner at The Bleckley Station. Dinner is being provided by Sullivan's Metropolitan Grill, and there is no charge for admission. Obviously, since it's a fundraiser, a donation would be appropriate but is not mandated for attendance. There will be an interesting program presented, which will shine a light on the darkness of childhood trauma and how Calvary Home has helped illuminate the lives of many youngsters in our community. There will also be a Silent Auction, and one of the baskets at the auction will be put together and donated by some of our Midway women. We've reserved one Midway table of eight so far, and more can be reserved if needed. If you'd like to attend and be part of the Midway tables, contact Linda Henderson ASAP since table reservations are apt to go quickly. This should be an enjoyable way to fellowship together as we support one of our greatly valued local charities.

The spaces at our second table for the Calvary Home Gala on May 11th are filling up quickly. If you plan to join us at the Gala, you must tell Linda Mylod to reserve a spot at a Midway table. But there may still be tickets available online if you decide to go too late to be at one of our tables.

#### Bingo!

Be sure to mark your calendars for our next Bingo game on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 1:00. Light refreshments – mostly cookies © - will be served. Bring your family and friends, AND if you have any unopened/unused/small items in the house that you'd like to contribute to our prize table, they would be greatly appreciated. Fun note pads, hand lotion, candy – anything that strikes you as a good Bingo gift – is fine. Bring them to church by the 23<sup>rd</sup> so they'll be available for the next Bingo session. Thanks! Hope to see you there.

#### **Outreach for April**

The Community Life & Mission Committee is collecting paper products and specific food items for Calvary Home for children this month. If you would like to contribute to this outreach endeavor, please purchase any of the following items and leave them in the boxes in the vestibule for delivery at the end of the month. Thank you.

**Paper:** plates, toilet paper, paper towels

**Groceries:** chicken broth, ranch dressing, spaghetti sauce, pastas, soup mixes (Bear Creek packaged-type)

#### Yard Sale and Bake Sale.

Please keep in mind that our Bake Sale is the best part of the yard sale, so please make plans to bake those great desserts that so many of you are known for! The more we have, the more we'll sell. Be sure your calendars are marked for May 6th for the sale, but **baked goods should be brought to Fellowship Hall on the 5th** so they can be packaged, priced and ready for sale first thing on Saturday morning. Thank you!