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 May 7, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Established 1833

Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last. ~~Luke 23:46

The Service For the Lord's Day

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft Introit The Choir Chiming of the Hour Greeting Dr. John McCallum Announcements Elder Jacky Stamps Jar Offering The Shalom House

Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: We come together as the church;

People: not as building of wood or stone, but a spiritual house.

Pastor: We will be the living stones that shout praise even when others are silent.

People: God redeems us, joins us together, and builds us up.

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #403 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Christ, our way, our truth, our life: you have shown us the way, so clearly and fully. You have not simply told us how to live, you have shown us. But we still fall short of your good will. Help us, O God. Forgive us. Open our ears to your truth, open our eyes to your way, and lead us into new life. 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.

*Exchange of The Peace

*Gloria Patri

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

The Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Anthem "Are You Washed in the Blood?" The Choir

The Epistle Lesson Acts 7:55-60

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

Sermon "A Divine Committal"

Dr. John McCallum

Responding to the Word

*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

*Doxology

*Communion Hymn #527 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Unison Prayer after Communion

Loving God, you graciously feed us with the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation. May we who have received this sacrament be strengthened in your service; we who have sung your praises tell of your glory and truth; we who have seen the greatness of your love, see you face to face in your kingdom. For you have made us your own people by the death and resurrection of your Son our Lord and the life-giving power of your Spirit. Amen

The Sending

*Hymn #543

"'Til the Storm Passes By"

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #662

"With All My Heart"

With all my heart I want to love You Lord, And live my life each day to know You more. All that is in me is Yours completely; I'll serve You only, with all my heart.

*Postlude

(*Those who are able may stand.)

May 7, 2023

Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK			
Sunday	Elders' Prayer Time	9:00 a.m.	
	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.	
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.	
	Community Life & Mission Committee		
Tues.	Upstate Homeschool Hybrid	9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	
Wed.	Parish Care Team @Rose Dining Hall	12:00 noon	
Thurs.	Upstate Homeschool Hybrid Awards Night	5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder Head Usher
Jacky Stamps Dee Ashworth

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Sammy Stevenson Next Week: Bob Bone

This Week's Birthdays

May 9 Bob Bone
13 Roz Rozakos

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for May will go to the Shalom House. This Christian ministry in Belton provides a safe, stable environment for women for long-term recovery after treatment for addiction to alcohol and drugs.

Today we celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion.**

The Community Life and Mission Committee will meet today following Worship.

Thanks to everyone who supported our Yard and Bake Sale.

The Parish Care Team will meet this Wednesday, May 10, at noon at the Rose Dining Hall at the Hospice of the Upstate.

Next Sunday is Mother's Day, and we will receive the Annual Mother's Day Offering for charitable care provided at Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina.

Beautiful Baby Contest – May has been designated Older Adults Month, so our Parish Care Team is sponsoring a contest to celebrate the occasion. Please submit a picture of yourself as a little one (not necessarily a baby) with your name on the back to Linda Mylod today. At our **May 14th Mother's Day Covered Dish Dinner,** you can cast your vote for the cutest baby. Three Prizes will be awarded. The 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering will go to Meals on Wheels.

Meals on Wheels is in need of individually wrapped desserts such as boxes of Little Debbie snacks, etc. Just drop the desserts in the box in the vestibule. If you would like for someone to purchase items for you, you can put a check marked MOW in the offering plate or drop it by the church office. Monetary donations will also be accepted by Elaine Gilmore.

Outreach for May

Community Life & Mission Committee is collecting supplies for Anderson Pregnancy Center this month. If you didn't hear Audrey Shaw, its Executive Director, give an excellent Minute for Mission recently, you might not know that this non-profit supports all women who are facing untimely pregnancies but are willing to give life to these precious babies. We can support their efforts by donating supplies that will be provided to the mothers. <u>Baby clothes, diapers and wipes</u> are most used/most needed, but <u>diaper rash lotion and sunscreen</u> are also important, especially this time of year. If you can help, donations should be left in the boxes in the vestibule. And all of us are able to help by keeping these struggling women here in our community - and the organization that strives to support them – in our prayers.