

**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



*Established 1833*

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Worship Service**

**May 14, 2023**

**10:30 a.m.**

*If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them. --Hebrews 11:15-16*

**The Service For the Lord's Day**

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

*Mother's Day*

**The Gathering**

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

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Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: We gather to worship as children of God,

**People: children loved and claimed by the risen Lord.**

Pastor: We gather to worship as the body of Christ,

**People: the church called out for service in the world.**

Pastor: We are the children of God,

**People: and we serve a risen Christ.**

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

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #793 *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, rich in mercy to all those who call upon you: Hear us as we come humbly, confessing our sins, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and our neighbors. Have mercy upon us, forgive and cleanse us. Through Christ our Savior, 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.**

\*Exchange of The Peace

\*Gloria Patri

**The Word**

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson Genesis 12:1-3

The Psalm Psalm 90:1-2

Anthem *“I Am Resolved”* The Choir

The Epistle Lesson Hebrews 11:8-16, 12:1-2

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*“A Pilgrim of Eternity”*

Dr. John McCallum

**Responding to the Word**

\*Hymn #414 *“O Word of God Incarnate”*

\*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 and The Lord’s Prayer

**The Sending**

\*Hymn #778 *“Sweet By and 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.)*



We are blessed with two lovely flower arrangements in the sanctuary this morning.

The flowers to your right are given to the Glory of God by Donna Beaver and Beth Croft and in loving memory of their mother, Helen H. Jones, on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her home going.

The flowers to your left are given to the Glory of God by Goetz and Carolyn Eaton and in honor of all mothers on Mother's Day.

**May 14, 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.
	Congregational Dinner	
Wed.	The Vision Committee	12:00 noon
Thurs.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.
Sat.	Presbytery Meeting @Camp Fellowship	10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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**Those Serving Our Church**

**Elder**

Tom Waddell

**Head Usher**

Elaine Gilmore

**Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

**This Week's Birthdays**

May 14 Rudy Wentzky

18 Jennifer Malmquist

**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.

Everyone is invited to stay for our **Mother's Day Covered Dish Luncheon** following Worship today. Make sure to cast your vote in our Beautiful Baby Contest before the meal. The 2-Cents-a Meal Offering will go to Meals on Wheels.

**The Vision Committee** will meet this Wednesday, May 17, at noon.

Elder Jacky Stamps has been elected by the Session to attend the **123<sup>rd</sup> Stated Meeting of Foothills Presbytery**. The meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 20, 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Camp Fellowship.

**The Session** will meet next Sunday, May 21.

**Bingo Game Day.** Join us on Wednesday, May 24, for Bingo fun and fellowship. We'll start calling at 1:00 p.m. and should have you out of there no later than 2:30 p.m. Come join the fun!

**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. 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. Baby clothes, diapers and wipes are most used/most needed, but diaper rash lotion and sunscreen 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.

**Volunteers are needed to help with Midway's Meals on Wheels Route.** It only takes 1½ - 2 hours. If you are willing to help, please see Elaine Gilmore.