

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 21, 2023

10:30 a.m.

They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." --Acts 1:11

The Service For the Lord's Day

Seventh Sunday of Easter

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder Dee Ashworth
Minute for Mission	The Shalom House
Jar Offering	The Shalom House

Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: Clap your hands, all you peoples!

People: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

Pastor: With praise and thanksgiving worship God,

People: who reigns in majesty above the mighty waters.

Pastor: We will not stand looking up toward heaven,

People: for God is moving in this place!

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #43 *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”*

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Christ our Savior, as you ascended, you left your work to us. You called us to keep the movement going, to witness to the ends of the earth, to pray, to heal, to be ambassadors of the gospel, and to show the world a glimpse of your love and truth. We acknowledge that we have fallen short of our call. We have hidden ourselves in fear, sought our own comfort, and resigned ourselves to the status quo. Forgive us, and strengthen us to be your disciples until you come again. 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 Psalm Psalm 93

Anthem *“I Give All to You”* The Choir

The Epistle Lesson Acts 1:1-11

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Ascension of Jesus”

Dr. John McCallum

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #766 *“At the Name of Jesus”*

*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 #754 *“Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending”*

*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 21, 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.	Bingo	1:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Search Committee	10:00 a.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Dee Ashworth

Head Usher

Marilyn Martin

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Jacky Stamps

This Week's Birthdays

May	23	Jim Warren
	25	Jim Mylod

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.

Contributions to the **Mother's Day Offering** came to \$555.00. Thanks to all who gave. If you were not able to contribute last Sunday, you can still do so today.

Congratulations to the winners of the **Beautiful Baby Contest** last Sunday:

First Place – Sybil Ginn; Second Place – John McCallum; Third Place – Amy Morris.

The Session will meet today following Worship.

Newsletter Deadline. If you have items for the June Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Tuesday, May 23, 2023.

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!

The Search Committee will meet on Thursday, May 15, at 10:00 in the Manse.

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.