

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
Mr. Will Greer	Staff Assistant

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

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MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service
September 10, 2023
10:30 a.m.

Then Jesus said to him, "Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is ready now.' But they all alike began to make excuses."
~Luke 14:16-18a

The Service For the Lord's Day

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder Linda Mylod
Jar Offering	The Lot Project
Rally Day Observance	

Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: O come, let us sing unto the Lord:

People: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Pastor: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,

People: and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #33 *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your loving-kindness: according unto the multitude of your tender mercies blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sin. For we acknowledge our transgressions: and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God; and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence; and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we make this prayer, and the silent prayers we will 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

Proverbs 9:1-6

Anthem

“Mansion Over the Hilltop”

The Choir

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 14:15-24

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Coming and Going”

Dr. John McCallum

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #560

“More About 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 #749

“Wonderful, Wonderful Jesus”

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #233

“Grace, Love and Fellowship”

May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of God, our Father, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us forever and ever, forevermore. Amen.

*Postlude

*(*Those who are able may stand.)*

September 10, 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 – Rally Day	10:30 a.m.
	Congregational Dinner	
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Wed.	Parish Care Team	1:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Linda Mylod

Head Usher

Jacky Stamps

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Jacky Stamps

This Week's Birthday

Sept. 13 Rita King

World Communion Sunday

World Communion Sunday is October 1 and the Annual Peace and Global Witness Offering will be received. The Session has voted for our 25% to provide needed supplies for the students in the Anderson School District 5's Homeless Kids Program.

Announcements

Today we celebrate Rally Day. The following Sunday School teachers and secretaries are being recognized: Contemporary Class—John & Donetta Dodwell, David Peters, Terry Waddell, and John McCallum; Earnest Workers' Class—Dee Ashworth, Roz Rozakos and Keith Wentzky; Secretaries: Bob Bone, Earle King, Amy Morris, Jacky Stamps, and Sammy Stevenson. Earle King is being honored for his 73 years of faithful attendance.

Our Jar Offering for the month of September will go to The LOT Project. LOT is an acronym for *Least of These*, a reference to Matthew 25:40, where Jesus said, "To the extent that you served one of these brothers of mine, even the least of these you did it to me." The LOT Project provides a meal to those in need on Tuesday and Thursday from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. They also provide shoes, coats, and blankets on the first Friday of every month.

Everyone is invited to stay for our **Covered-Dish Dinner** today following Worship. The 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering will be received for the Anderson Emergency Soup Kitchen.

The Parish Care Team will meet on Wednesday, September 13, at 1:00 pm.

The Vision Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 20, at noon.

The Daytrippers are going to Hendersonville on Thursday, September 21, for apple picking and lunch afterwards. Carpooling will be available, so please let Terry Waddell know if you would like to go. Watch next week's bulletin for more details.

Save The Date!

A fundraising Fall Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, October 28, with a mini-Christmas fair. We're asking our members to look through their holiday décor to hopefully find some FIRST RATE Fall and Christmas items for us to sell. Smaller items can be put together into holiday baskets, so there won't be a lot of small items to price. (Kitty says "Thank you") Also, please mark your calendars to bake-like-your-life-depends-upon-it for this year's Bake Sale. Funds raised will help us share some Christmas joy with young people in need in the Anderson area, to bring a little joy directly to the lives of these youngsters. Hopefully a child will see God's love through the caring generosity of strangers.

Calvary Home Food Staples

Calvary Home could use a little boost right now, so we'll be collecting the following staples to help refill their larder for the families who reside there. Staples needed: flour, sugar, pasta, sauce, rice, beans, chicken or beef broth, paper products.