

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

Ginny Keiper

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Established 1833

MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service
September 17, 2023
10:30 a.m.

“Then the master called the servant in. ‘You wicked servant,’ he said, ‘I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn’t you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?’”
~Matthew 18:32-33

The Service For the Lord’s Day

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder Roz Rozakos
Jar Offering	The LOT Project

Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: God has begun a good work among us
and calls for our wholehearted involvement.

**People: We will stand side by side, firm in one spirit,
striving for the faith of the gospel.**

Pastor: As you seek to do your part,
recall God’s wonderful deeds and steadfast love.

**People: We will turn away from golden calves.
It is God who inspires, empowers, and blesses.**

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #3 *“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”*

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

O God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you and against others. We have done those things we would not, and failed to do those things we would. You provide your word to guide us, but still we miss the mark and fall short of your glory. Forgive us, God of grace. Create in us a clean heart and restore us to the joy of your salvation. 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

Psalm 103:8-14

Anthem

“Farther Along”

The Choir

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 18:21-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Unforgiving Servant”

Dr. John McCallum

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #667

“Lord, Speak to Me”

*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 #766

“At the Name of 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 17, 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	
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Wed.	Vision Team	Noon
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Roz Rozakos

Head Usher

Tom Waddell

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Jacky Stamps Next Week: Sammy Stevenson

This Week's Birthday

Sept. 23 Linda Mylod

This Week's Anniversary

Sept. 21 Bill & Randi Rexroad

Announcements

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.

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 and we will meet at the church parking lot near the tennis courts at 9:45 a.m., so please let Terry Waddell know if you would like to go.

Newsletter Deadline. If you have items for the October Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Wednesday, September 20.

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.

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.