### **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 Mrs. Roz Rozakos Mrs. Beth Croft Ms. Cindy Wentzky Mrs. LeNelle Chastain Mr. Will Greer

# Choir Director Pianist Media Specialist Secretary Staff Assistant

Pastor

<u>Class of 2023</u> Linda Mylod Roz Rozakos Jacky Stamps (Clerk) <u>Class of 2024</u> Bob Harrell Marilyn Mamrick Tom Waddell

Session

<u>Class of 2025</u> Dee Ashworth Marilyn Martin Amy Morris

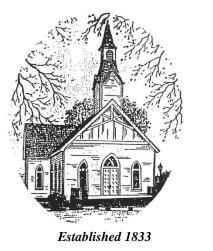
Commissioned Deacon Earle King

### **Treasurers**

Bob Harrell Linda Mylod Disbursing Treasurer Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse Ginny Keiper

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# MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service October 22, 2023 10:30 a.m.

So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." ~Matthew 22:21b

The Service For the Lord's Day Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

### The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder Linda Mylod
Announcements	
Jar Offering	Safe Harbor

Responsive Call to Worship
Leader: Rejoice in the Lord always!
People: All thanks and praise to God!
Leader: Do not worry about anything.
People: We trust in God who provides for us.
Leader: Let the peace of God settle among you.
Unison: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth!

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #2

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and confess that often we forget that we are yours—your children. Sometimes we live as though you do not matter. Forgive us. Clear our minds and warm our hearts that we may be your faithful witnesses. Help us to live in a growing, purposeful, joyful relationship with you and with those you have given us to share our earthly pilgrimage. 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	Isaiah 45:1-7	
Anthem	"The Lord's Prayer"	The Choir
The Gospel Lesson	Matthew 22:15-22	
Leader: The Word of the Lord.		

People: Thanks be to God.

 Sermon
 "Put God First"
 Rev. Marlon Irrarragorry

 Responding to the Word
 "This Is My Father's World"

 \*Hymn #143
 "This Is My Father's World"

 \*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 #670	"Make Me a Blessing"
*Charge and Blessing	
*Choral Benediction #644	"The Greatest Thing"
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You;	
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.	
I want to serve You more, I want to serve You more.	
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.	
*Postlude	(*Those who are able may stand.)

October 22, 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. Legacy Academy 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Tues. Legacy Academy 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Thurs. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Bake Sale & Mini Fair Sat. On Call: Elder: Linda Mylod 864-402-9084 Church Office: 864-226-1880 LeNelle's e-mail: lenelle@midwaypres.org Dr. McCallum's Phone & e-mail:864-616-0918 (C) 864-268-1392(H) johnmccallum@ft.newyorklife.com

# **Those Serving Our Church**

ElderHead UsherLinda MylodAmy Morris

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Today: Sammy Stevenson Next Week: Bob Bone

<u>This Week's Birthdays</u> Oct. 24 Mark Sears 27 Elaine Gilmore

This Week's Anniversary Oct. 24 Gary & Dee Ashworth

### Announcements

**Our Jar Offering** for the first four Sundays in October will go to Safe Harbor of Anderson County, which provides safe shelter and advocacy services for victims of domestic violence and their children. The fifth Sunday Jar Offering next week will be received for Presbytery Cents-Ability, which supports a number of charitable organizations, including South Main Street Chapel & Mercy Center and Faith Presbyterian Church's food Bank in Williamston.

**Today we welcome Rev. Marlon Irrarragorry** to the pulpit. Marlon served the Presbyterian Reformed Church in Cabaiguan in the province of Sancti Spiritus, Cuba from July 2012 – 2022. He is married to Elizabeth and they have a daughter, Madison.

# Help Needed!

Would anyone strong enough to help move tables please stay for a few minutes following Worship today to help us put down a few of the tables in the Fellowship Hall? Thank you!

# Holiday Fundraiser

Thank you to anyone who brought item donations for the October 28<sup>th</sup> mini-fair. Please <u>bake</u> something the week of October 22 and bring your baked donations to the Fellowship Hall on <u>Friday, the 27<sup>th</sup>, between 10:00 a.m. and noon.</u> If you need them picked up, please call Linda Mylod at 402-9084. Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors about the Bake Sale and Holiday Fair on <u>Saturday, the 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. until noon.</u> Come early to get the best baked goods and to shop from our nice selection of holiday décor plus a small selection of housewares.

Remember: This fundraiser will purchase some Christmas joy for area youngsters in need, and will reflect Christ's love for them. Thank you for your support.

**Thank You.** John and Hazel McCallum express heartfelt thanks to the Session and Congregation for the generous gifts received on Pastor Appreciation Day.

**One of our Meals on Wheels** clients is hoping for a good home for recently-born calico kittens. One is yellow and one is black, and they're both precious. If you would like to meet them, talk with Elaine or Linda.

# Save the Date!

**Midway's Christmas Party** will be held on Friday, December 8, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.