

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.



Established 1833

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

**Worship Service
November 26, 2023
10:30 a.m.**

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

***Do not worry about anything, but in everything
by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God.”
~Philippians 4:6***

Commissioned Deacon

Earle King

Treasurers

Bob Harrell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

The Service For the Lord’s Day
Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. David Bailey
Announcements	Elder Roz Rozakos
Jar Offering	Salvation Army

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Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Tell of his salvation from day to day.

**People: Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.**

Leader: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.

**People: Honor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his place.**

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #797 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God: in love you spread good gifts before us, more than we need or deserve. You feed, heal, teach, and save us. We confess that we always want more; that we never share as freely as you give. We resent what we lack, and are jealous of neighbors. We misuse what you intend for joy. God, forgive our stubborn greed, and our destructiveness. In mercy, help us to take such pleasure in your goodness that we will always be thanking you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Now hear us as we bring before you our personal confessions in 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 Reading 1 Chronicles 16:23-34

Anthem "What A Day That Will Be" The Choir

The New Testament Reading Philippians 4:4-7, 10-13

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Prayer... Thanksgiving... Peace"

Dr. David Bailey

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #793 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #513 "Thank You, Lord"
*Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul,
Thank You, Lord, for making me whole;
Thank You, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.*

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



The Lovely Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Jacky & Brenda Stamps to the Glory of God and in honor of their 47th anniversary today, November 26th.

November 26, 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.
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Roz Rozakos

Head Usher

Elaine Gilmore

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

This Week's Anniversary

Nov. 26 Jacky & Brenda Stamps

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for November will go to the Salvation Army in Anderson. The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible; its ministry is motivated by the love of God; and its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name.

Everyone is invited to **decorate the church for Christmas** on Saturday, December 2, at 10:00 a.m.

Lickville Presbyterian Church is inviting us to join with them in an **Advent Service** at noon on Thursday, December 7. A light lunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Christmas Party

Reservations/payment for the December 8th Christmas party must be made by next Sunday; a final count has to be given to the caterer next Monday. Please give Linda or Roz your payment today OR next Sunday at the very latest. Thank you.

Also, please remember that, in order to lower the cost of the meals, we chose to bring desserts and beverages (tea and water). Christmas cookies, cakes or pies would be great additions to our dinner.

Christmas Outreach for Salvation Army

Even if you don't plan to come to the Christmas party (which you really should! 😊), you can contribute to the food and toiletries collection that will be brought to the Salvation Army the week after the party. Boxes for this collection are being left in the Fellowship Hall, near the "dessert table". Please be sure that all food donations have current "Best by" dates, so they can be accepted. Toiletries can include hair products, soaps, deodorants, toothbrushes/toothpaste, personal hygiene items, etc. Also needed are socks, hats, gloves, scarfs, and the like.

It's incumbent upon us to obey Christ's command to "feed the hungry...clothe the naked", and there's no easier way than bringing these items to church and having them delivered for you! Please keep the needy in our community on your Christmas list this year.

The Session has called for our **Annual Congregational Meeting** to be held following Worship on Sunday, December 10. Dr. McCallum will note some of the highlights of 2023, and the 2024 Budget will be presented.

\$360.00 was received for the Thornwell Home for Children Offering last Sunday. If you were unable to give, you may still do so today.

Christmas Gift Suggestion

There are cards in the vestibule from the Gideons, which would make lovely Christmas gifts to your friends or family members who already have everything they need; for \$25 you can provide 5 Bibles. The Gideons provide Bibles to every member of the U.S. Armed Forces, to patients at U.S. Veterans Hospitals, and they put them into hotel rooms. During the 2020 pandemic, when we were made to be fearful of touching everything from our groceries to each other, Bibles were removed from hotel rooms, and the Gideons are trying to replace them. So, if you need a suggestion for a worthwhile Christmas gift, look no further than our front door!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2023

If you would like to help decorate the church for the Christmas Season you may order poinsettias as a memorial or honorarium by filling out the form below. **The cost is \$7.00.** Please return form to the church office or drop in offering plate along with payment by **November 26th**. **Payment MUST be included with request (make checks payable to Midway Presbyterian Church).**

Number of Poinsettias: _____ **Amount Paid:** _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Given By: _____