

**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**  
**December 10, 2023**  
**10:30 a.m.**

***“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
who will prepare your way,  
The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’”***  
***~Mark 1:2-3***

**The Service For the Lord’s Day**  
*Second Sunday of Advent*

**The Gathering**

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder Tom Waddell
Jar Offering	Haven of Rest Women’s Ministries



December 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	10:30 a.m.
	Annual Congregational Meeting	
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.
Sat.	Manse Preparation for Guests	10:00 a.m.

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**Those Serving Our Church**

**Elder**

Tom Waddell

**Head Usher**

Amy Morris

**Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Sammy Stevenson

**This Week's Birthday**

**Dec. 11 Linda Hawkins**

**Announcements**

**Our Jar Offering** for the first four Sundays in December will go to Under His Wings Women's Ministry, a division of Haven of Rest. This is a Bible-based discipleship program and ministry that is designed to rescue, restore, and release women facing life-dominating problems related to addiction and homelessness. Their goal is to see every program participant will have immediate needs met, find freedom from addictions, and hope in a new life with Christ.

Following Worship today, we will have our **Annual Congregational Meeting**. The budget for 2024 will be presented, and Dr. McCallum will note some of the highlights of the past year.

**The Parish Care Team** will meet Wednesday, December 13, at 1:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to help with **cupboard cleaning and manse preparation on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** Professor Larisa Mistrean and her daughter (Bianca-Francesca) will live in our church manse during the spring semester. Larisa is a Fulbright scholar from Moldova and will be working at Anderson University during her stay. Additionally, if you would like to donate/loan any items that you think they would need during their stay (e.g., hot plate/crock pot, shower rod & curtain, towels, etc.) and/or volunteer to host them for a dinner or local outing contact Kent Saunders (765-617-2134).

**The Annual Christmas Joy Offering** will be received at our Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion Service. This offering honors the faithfulness of current and retired church workers and their families in a time of need. Equally, it supports future church leaders of color at Presbytery-related schools and colleges.

**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 place them in hotel rooms. During the 2020 pandemic 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!

**New Phone # for Will Greer: 864-652-0844**