

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 31, 2023
10:30 a.m.

***He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them,
“Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.”
~Mark 9:35***

The Service For the Lord’s Day
First Sunday of Christmas

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Dr. John McCallum
Announcements	Elder Roz Rozakos
Jar Offering	American Friends of Magen David Adom

Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: O Come, let us worship and bow down;

People: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Pastor: For he is our God;

**People: and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

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

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #270

“Joy to the World!”

Service of Ordination and Installation

Bob Bone

Elaine Gilmore

Kent Saunders

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 34:1-9

Anthem

“That Beautiful Name”

The Choir

The Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:30-37

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Goodbye Sermon”

Dr. John McCallum

Responding to the Word

*Hymn (Insert)

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

*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 #258

“Go Tell It on the Mountain”

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #263

“What Can I Give Him?”

*What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise-man I would do my part;
Yet what can I give Him? Give Him my heart.*

*Postlude

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

December 31, 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.
	Reception in Fellowship Hall	
Sat.	Undecorate the church	10:00 a.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Roz Rozakos

Head Usher

Keith Wentzky

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Jacky Stamps

This Week's Anniversary

Dec. 31 Ryan Morris

Jan. 5 Tommy Alewine

Dee Ashworth

Today we install Bob Bone and Elaine Gilmore to the Office of Elder in the Class of 2026. Also we Ordain and Install Kent Saunders to the Office of Elder in the Class of 2026. Everyone is invited to the reception in the Fellowship Hall for our new Elders and for John and Hazel.

Announcements

The Fifth Sunday Jar Offering today will go to the American Friends of Magen David Adom to help with the cost of replacing one of the ambulances that was destroyed in the October 7 Hamas attack on Israel.

The Christmas Joy Offering came to \$714.00. Thanks to everyone who contributed. If you were unable to give at the Christmas Eve Service, you may still do so today.

Everyone is invited to help undecorate the church on Saturday, January 6, at 10:00 a.m. *"Many hands make small work."*

Next Sunday Rev. Peggy Swann will be our guest preacher, and we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

New Benches. As you look out into the cemetery, you will see two new benches specifically made for Midway by the Anderson School District 3, 4, and 5 Institute of Technology. On Friday, December 8, 2023, one of these two benches was dedicated to honor Rev. Dr. John and Hazel McCallum for their service to our church. On that same date, the other bench was dedicated to honor Rev. Beryl and Mary Rosenberger for their service to our church. A plaque stating this will soon be placed on each bench. Also, a plaque will soon be placed on the cross in the cemetery noting the construction and installation of the cross by Samuel Stevenson, III. In addition to the two benches in the cemetery, three other benches will be placed outside the front of the church. One will honor Rev. Dr. Mickey and Ginny Rice for their service to our church. One will honor Rev. Mel and Lois Davis for their service to our church. The third bench will honor Rev. Rob and Jennifer Butler for their service to our church. These three benches with plaques will soon be installed.

Flower Chart for 2024. Flowers placed in the sanctuary for Sunday Morning Worship Service are a beautiful way to thank, praise, and glorify God; celebrate a birthday or anniversary; honor a special person or persons; or beautify the sanctuary in memory of a loved one.

If you sign up on the Flower Calendar (on bulletin board in Education Building), please let LeNelle know if you will be bringing the flowers or if you would like her to order them for you and also give her instructions for the wording in the bulletin. The ordered flowers will be delivered to the church at a **cost of \$35.00**. To pay for the arrangement, make your check payable to Midway WOC, mark it "Flowers" and mail it to Midway Presbyterian Church, 3238 Midway Road, Anderson, SC.