### **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**

Rev. Peggy Swann	Stated Supply
Mrs. Roz Rozakos	Choir Director
Mrs. Beth Croft	Pianist
Ms. Cindy Wentzky	Media Specialist
Mrs. LeNelle Chastain	Secretary
Mr. Will Greer	Staff Assistant

#### **Session**

Linda Mylod (Clerk)

Class of 2024Class of 2025Class of 2026Bob HarrellDee AshworthBob BoneMarilyn MamrickMarilyn MartinKent SaundersTom WaddellAmy Morris

## **Commissioned Deacon**

Earle King

#### **Treasurers**

John Dodwell Disbursing Treasurer Linda Mylod Receiving Treasurer

## **Parish Nurse**

Ginny Keiper

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# Worship Service April 7, 2024

MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN

**CHURCH** 

10:30 a.m.

Established 1833

Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

~John 20:20-21

## The Service For the Lord's Day

Second Sunday of Easter

#### **The Gathering**

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft

Introit The Choir

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting Rev. Peggy Swann

Announcements Elder Bob Bone

Jar Offering Anderson Pregnancy Center

#### Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: We worship in the Easter light,

**People:** for the shadow of death is no match for God's love. Pastor: Let us join our voices with the disciple Thomas saying,

**People:** "My Lord and my God!"

Pastor: Easter people, Christ is risen!

**Unison: Christ is risen indeed!** 

## Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #293 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

## \*Unison Prayer of Confession

O Christ, you rose from the depths of suffering, from death itself, to breathe peace upon your disciples. Still, O Lord we cannot trust your promise of peace. Still, O Lord, we do not follow in the ways of your love. Forgive us when we fail to be people of resurrection. Forgive us when we fail to recognize your grace. Show us your hands and your feet once more and teach us to be your body in the world. Amen.

\*Passing the Peace

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

\*Gloria Patri

The Word		
Prayer for Illumination		
The First Scripture Reading	Acts 4:32-35	
Anthem	"Lamb of Glory"	The Choir
The Second Scripture Reading	John 20:19-31	

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

Sermon "Courage to Ask" Rev. Peggy Swann

#### Responding to the Word

\*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

\*Doxology

\*Communion Hymn #324 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

### The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them up to the Lord.** 

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Unison: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

#### Unison Prayer after Communion

Lord, we come to this table to meet you, the risen Christ. Let this bread and cup nourish us so that we may continue to do your work in the world. Amen.

## The Sending

\*Hymn #769

"O That Will Be Glory"

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Choral Benediction #237 "Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace. Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling thro' this wilderness.

\*Postlude

(\*Those who are able may stand.)

<sup>\*</sup>Call to Confession

<sup>\*</sup>Assurance of Pardon

### **April 7, 2024**

#### **Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events**

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

9.00 a m

Flders' Prayer Time

Sunday

Builday	Eldels Trayer Time	7.00 u.m.
	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship - Communion	10:30 a.m.
	Administration & Finance Committee	
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:30  a.m. - 3:30  p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:30  a.m. - 3:30  p.m.

On Call: Elder: Bob Bone 864-225-8600 Church Office: 864-226-1880

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## **Those Serving Our Church**

Elder Head Usher
Bob Bone Amy Morris

#### **Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Sammy Stevenson Next Week: Bob Bone

#### **Announcements**

Our Jar Offering for April will go to the Anderson Pregnancy Center. This local non-profit supports all women who are facing untimely pregnancies but are willing to give life to these precious babies. We can support their efforts by our donations of money and supplies that will be provided to the mothers. Baby clothes, newborn diapers and wipes, baby lotion and diaper rash cream are always needed. If you can help, donations should be left in the boxes in the vestibule. All of us are able to help by keeping these struggling women and the organization that works to support them in our prayers.

**The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** came to \$425.00. Appreciation is expressed to all who contributed.

The Administration and Finance Committee will meet today immediately following Worship.

**Our Second Sunday Congregational Dinner** will be on Sunday, April 14. This will be a covered dish so please bring your favorite dish to share.

**Thank You.** "Dear Midway Church, We want to thank you for your prayers and support during Ruth's passing. Your kindness and love means so much to all of us. With gratitude, The Family of Ruth Stevenson"

Spring Festival at Midway Presbyterian Church Saturday, May 4, 2024 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

\$5 Hot Dog Plates
Games Pony Rides Bake Sale
\$10 Tie Dye T-Shirt

You must sign up for the Tie Dye Shirts by April 15<sup>th</sup> Contact Chrissie Saunders at <u>chrissie.saunders1003@yahoo.com</u>

Rain Date: May 11th