

**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 2024

Bob Harrell  
Marilyn Mamrick  
Tom Waddell

Class of 2025

Dee Ashworth  
Marilyn Martin  
Amy Morris

Class of 2026

Bob Bone  
Kent Saunders

**Commissioned Deacon**

Earle King

**Treasurers**

|              |                      |
|--------------|----------------------|
| John Dodwell | Disbursing Treasurer |
| Linda Mylod  | Receiving Treasurer  |

**Parish Nurse**

Ginny Keiper

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*Established 1833*

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

**Worship Service**

**April 14, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

***See what love the Father has given us,  
that we should be called children of God,  
and that is what we are.***

***~1John 3:1***

**The Service For the Lord's Day**

*Third Sunday of Easter*

**The Gathering**

|                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| Prelude             | Mrs. Beth Croft                        |
| Introit             | The Choir                              |
| Chiming of the Hour |  |
| Greeting            | Rev. Peggy Swann                       |
| Announcements       | Elder Kent Saunders                    |
| Minute for Mission  | Audrey Shaw, Anderson Pregnancy Center |
| Jar Offering        | Anderson Pregnancy Center              |

## Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, children of God, to sing a new song;  
clap your hands and shout for joy.

**People: Jesus is our good news, our joy, and our salvation.**

Pastor: In steadfast love and faithfulness God has done marvelous things.

**People: God raised Jesus from the dead; Christ is alive and at work among us.**

Pastor: God hears our prayers and answers when we call.

**Unison: God makes us dwell in safety and puts joy in our hearts.**

## Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #225                      *“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”*

## \*Call to Confession

### \*Unison Prayer of Confession

What love you have given us, O God, that we should be called your children. What love you have given us, O Christ, that we should share a table with you. Forgive us when we act as if we were your only children: when we do not recognize your image in the faces of strangers, enemies, or friends; when we do not share our own tables, forgetting that we need each other. Forgive us, O Christ, maker of peace, and teach us to follow in your way. Amen.

### \*Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: We have an advocate with God, Jesus Christ, the righteous one.

**People: Who offered his life in love to save the world from sin.**

Pastor: This is the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### \*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**                      1 John 3:1-7

**Anthem**    *“The Savior Leads”*    The Choir

**The Second Scripture Reading**                      Luke 24:36b-48

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*“Witnesses”*

Rev. Peggy Swann

## Responding to the Word

### \*Hymn #342

*“Rock of Ages”*

### \*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 #666

*“A Charge to Keep I Have”*

### \*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

*(\*Please stand in body or spirit.)*

April 14, 2024

**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.            |
|        | Congregational Dinner        |                       |
| Mon.   | Scouts                       | 5:00 p.m.             |
| Tues.  | Legacy Academy               | 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. |
| Thurs. | Legacy Academy               | 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. |
| Fri.   | Calvary Home Gala/Fundraiser | 6:00 p.m.             |

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**Those Serving Our Church**

**Elder**

Kent Saunders

**Head Usher**

Tom Waddell

**Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

**This Week's Birthdays**

Apr. 14 Gail Wentzky

16 Jonathan Croft

Dickie King

**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.

**Everyone is invited to our Congregational Dinner** in the Fellowship Hall following Worship. Our 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering will go to Meals on Wheels.

**Calvary Home Gala/Fundraiser this Friday at 6:00 p.m.**

A reminder for the members who signed up and paid for a ticket at the fundraiser that it's Friday, night, the 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Bleckley station. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the event begins at 6:30. Parking is usually difficult around there, so arriving early and carpooling is strongly suggested. If you received your Golden Ticket in the mail bring it with you to avoid waiting in line. The Midway table is #21. Also bring your checkbook if you'd like to bid on anything in the Silent Auction or if you want to leave an additional donation for Calvary Home.

**Newsletter Deadline.** If you have items for the May Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Tuesday, April 23.

**Spring Festival at Midway Presbyterian Church**

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**

**11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**\$5 Hot Dog Plates**

**Games Bingo 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 [chrissie.saunders1003@yahoo.com](mailto:chrissie.saunders1003@yahoo.com)**

**Rain Date: May 11th**

**Save the Date!** The next Lunch Bunch get-together will be on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 at the Golden Corral. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for enjoyable fellowshiping.