

**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**

**August 4, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

**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

*Jesus said, "For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."  
~John 6:33*

**Treasurers**

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

**Parish Nurse**

Ginny Keiper

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

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

**The Gathering**

<b>Prelude</b>	Mrs. Beth Croft
<b>Introit</b>	The Choir
<b>Chiming of the Hour</b>	
<b>Greeting</b>	Rev. Peggy Swann
<b>Announcements</b>	Elder Kent Saunders
<b>Jar Offering</b>	Family Promise

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## Responsive Call to Worship

Pastor: When the people of God were hungry,

**People: God rained manna upon them, and they ate until they were full.**

Pastor: When the people of God are hungry,

**People: God calls us to taste the goodness of God's gifts,  
and to share our bread with one another.**

Pastor: Let us worship the One who is the Bread of Life,

**Unison: and watch for a glimpse of the heavenly banquet.**

## Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #175

*"O Lord, Our Lord"*

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

**You are the Bread of Life, O God, and you promise that, in you, we will never hunger again. Yet we do hunger, O Lord, and often for the wrong things. You feed us with grace, but we hunger for our own achievements. You offer us peace, but we hunger for control. You bless us with plenty to share, but we are quick to hoard the gifts we call ours. Forgive us, and by your forgiveness teach us to hunger for things that you do: to hunger for justice, to long for equality, to work for the common good until none of your children have to hunger for bread. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing the Peace

The peace of God be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*Gloria Patri

## The Word

Prayer of Illumination

The Old Testament Scripture

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Anthem

*"My Savior's Love"*

The Choir

The New Testament Scripture

John 6:24-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*"What Is It?"*

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 #460 *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

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

**Holy Lord, pour out your Spirit in this meal we receive from you; let it work through our lives to bring healing and hope to the world in your name. Amen.**

## The Sending

\*Hymn #670

*"Make Me a Blessing"*

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Choral Benediction #662

*"With All My Heart"*

*With all my heart I want to love You, Lord, And live my life each day to know You more.*

*All that is in me is Yours completely; I'll serve You only, with all my heart.*

\*Postlude

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

August 4, 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.
	Vision Committee	
Mon.	Legacy Academy Teacher Training	10:00 a.m. – noon
Tues.	Country Place HOA	6:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy Teacher Orientation	8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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**Those Serving Our Church**

**Elder**

Kent Saunders

**Head Usher**

Tom Waddell

**Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Sammy Stevenson

**This Week's Birthdays**

August 5 Goetz Eaton

Pete Rozakos

9 Chrissie Saunders

**This Week's Anniversary**

August 10 Keith & Jane Wentzky

**Announcements**

**Our Jar Offering** for the month of August will go to Family Promise. This organization provides emergency shelter and transitional housing for homeless families with children in Anderson County.

In Anderson County, a high proportion of children, 30%, live below the poverty level, compared to the overall state poverty level of 19%. The number of children experiencing homelessness in our community is increasing daily, and shelter resources are limited. Our support of organizations like Family Promise can help make homelessness a distant memory instead of an ever-present threat for families with children. No child should be sleeping on the streets.

**The Vision Committee** will meet briefly today in the Library following Worship.

**Our next Second Sunday Dinner** will be next Sunday, August 11. This will be a sandwiches and salads lunch, so please bring your favorite sandwiches and salads to share.

**Meals on Wheels Needs YOU!**

Do you or someone you know have two or three morning hours to spare twice a month on a weekday of your choice? Our beloved Route 15, which Midway Church has handled for the past 30+ years, is in great need of more drivers/deliverers. The work isn't difficult but it's very rewarding; the homes we deliver to in the area close to Midway are easy to find, and the residents are easy to deal with. Having lost our MOWS leader Elaine this year, we're now at risk of losing two more long-time volunteers, at least for the short term. If you can find the time and energy to volunteer for this much-needed task, please speak with Linda Mylod. If you have a friend or relative who would run the route with you, we'd be doubly blessed. And if you know anyone with time on their hands and a volunteer's heart, please send them our way so we can tell them what's involved and show them the ropes. We're asking all our church members to pray about this need; God may touch the hearts of the people we need the most.

**Care to join us?**

If you would like to attend the Haven of Rest's annual fundraising banquet, which benefits the women's ministry, on Thursday evening, September 19, at the Anderson Civic Center, please let Linda Mylod know **TODAY**. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m., and the banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. This year's theme is "A Life like Mine", which will tell a few stories about the transformation in some lives through God's grace.

The recommended donation for the banquet is \$25 and can be left that evening, so no money is needed in advance.