

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 18, 2024

10:30 a.m.

The Church Staff

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| 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

***Shout praises to the Lord! With all my heart
I will thank the Lord when his people meet.
~Psalm 111:1***

Treasurers

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

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

The Service For the Lord's Day

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

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| Prelude | Mrs. Beth Croft |
| Introit | The Choir |
| Chiming of the Hour | |
| Greeting | Rev. Peggy Swann |
| Announcements | Elder Dee Ashworth |
| Jar Offering | Family Promise |

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Responsive Call to Worship *Psalm 111*

Pastor: Shout praises to the Lord; with my whole heart
I will sing praise when God's people meet.

People: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Pastor: Full of honor and majesty is the work of the Lord.
God's righteousness endures forever.

People: God sent redemption to the people and has established an everlasting covenant.

Pastor: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.
All who practice it have a good understanding.

Unison: Holy and awesome is God's name. Let us praise God forever!

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #12** *"Praise Him! Praise Him!"*

***Call to Confession**

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

All-knowing God, we are your children, but we have turned away from your wisdom and walked in our own ways. We have lived carelessly and squandered time. We have been foolish and failed to understand your will. We have turned away from you with the siren song of our culture and our own desires. Free us from these things and fill us with your Spirit. Clear our minds from the clutter so we may discern what is right and walk in your ways. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Pastor: The Lord is gracious and merciful!

**People: God shows great and steadfast love to us
through Jesus Christ, our bread of life.**

Pastor: Through Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven, and we have eternal life.

Unison: Thanks be to God.

***Passing the Peace**

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

***Gloria Patri**

The Word

Prayer of Illumination

The First Scripture Reading Psalm 111

Anthem *"He Is Jehovah"* The Choir

The Second Scripture Reading 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *"Seeking Wisdom"* Rev. Peggy Swann

Responding to the Word

***Hymn #406** *"Wonderful Words of Life"*

***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 #593** *"Where He Leads Me"*

***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.)*



We are blessed with lovely flowers in the sanctuary this morning given to the Glory of God.

The flowers to your right are given by the family of Harriett Cook.

The flowers to your left are given by Kent and Chrissie Saunders.

August 18, 2024

Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

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| Sunday | Sunday School | 9:30 a.m. |
| | Morning Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| | Session Meeting | |
| Tues. | Legacy Academy | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. |
| Thurs. | Legacy Academy | 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. |

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Dee Ashworth

Head Usher

Marilyn Martin

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

This Week's Birthday

August 21 Gail Alewine

This Week's Anniversary

August 20 John & Hazel McCallum

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.

Newsletter Deadline. If you have items for the September Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Wednesday, August 21, 2024.

Save the Date!

Our next Lunch Bunch get-together will be on Thursday, August 29th, at 12:30 at the Bistro at Cobbs Glen, the former country club where we often held our Christmas parties several years ago. When the date gets closer, if you know that you plan to go, please let Linda Mylod know so we can give them a fairly good head count. For now, mark your calendar and plan to join us for some good food and good fellowship.

Festival Reminder

Please look through your decorative holiday décor to donate one or two items in mint condition for the bazaar part of our Fall Festival on October 5th. Ornaments will also be sold in case you have more than your tree can hold. Turn your mementos into funds being raised to support our numerous Outreach programs. It's been a tight year financially here at Midway and our semi-annual Festivals are helping to keep our Outreach efforts from falling off. Items can be left in the Fellowship Hall kitchen before Sunday, Sept. 15th, but the sooner the better, so we have sufficient time for pricing. Thank you for your support with this endeavor!

Calling All Members!

Our District 5 youngsters in the Homeless Kids program are in need of toiletries. The program's new director has advised that shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash and deodorants are completely out. If you can find it in your heart to bring one or more of these items to church, we'll make sure they find their way to District 5 immediately. Mouthwash should be smaller bottles - preferably plastic - but the other items can be regular/full-size. Thank you in advance for anything you can do to help with this immediate need.