

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
January 12, 2025
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

(Clerk)

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Dee Ashworth	Bob Bone	John Dodwell
Marilyn Martin	Roz Rozakos	Chrissie Saunders
Amy Morris	Kent Saunders	

***Paul asked the disciples “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?”
They answered, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”
~~Acts 19:2-3***

Treasurers

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

The Service For the Lord’s Day

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder Bob Bone
Announcements	
Jar Offering	Quiet Fund

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Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Holy Triune God, author of community, come baptize us.

People: Remind us what it means to belong to one another.

Leader: God who tears the heavens, come baptize us.

People: Reveal to us your power that ushers in new realms.

Leader: God who calls us beloved, come baptize us.

People: Declare to us your great delight and hold us in your pleasure.

Leader: God of vulnerability, come baptize us.

People: Welcome us into the paradox of strength that comes from weakness.

Leader: Together, let us remember this day.

**Unison: In the Creator's love we are held, into Christ's body we are baptized,
and by the spirit's power, we are claimed. All glory to God. Amen.**

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #382 "Come, Holy Spirit"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Lord Jesus Christ, you are always arriving in our world. You are always appearing in our midst. You are always making your ways and your will known among your people. Forgive us for remaining distracted and dissatisfied. Forgive us for filling our lives with clutter and noise. Forgive us for failing to heed your call. Help us in this season to remain alert and attentive, that we might not miss your invitations for and among us. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace

Pastor: The peace of God be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri

The Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Acts 19:1-7

Anthem

"Near to the Heart of God"

The Cho

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Two Baptisms"

Rev. Mel Davis

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #465

"Baptized in Water"

*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 #680

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #564 "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

*Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea.
Daily walking close to Thee, Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

*Postlude

(*Please stand in body or spirit.)

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Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Congregational Dinner	
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Lunch Bunch @Boondocks	12:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Bob Bone

Head Usher

Amy Morris

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Linda Mylod Next Week: Sammy Stevenson

This Week's Birthday

January 16 David Peters

This Week's Anniversary

January 14 Frank & Joyce Wentzky

Announcements

Visitors, please fill out the orange cards in the pew rack so we will have a record of your attendance. **The yellow cards** in the pew rack are for prayer requests, etc. Please place completed cards in the Offering Plate.

Our Jar Offering for January will go to the Quiet Fund. This fund helps members of the church who find themselves in significant financial difficulty. And its use is always kept confidential.

We Welcome Rev. & Mrs. Mel Davis to our Worship service today. Mel is no stranger to Midway having served as Pastor here for seven years.

Everyone is invited to stay for our **Covered-Dish Dinner** today following Worship. We always have plenty of food, so please stay and eat with us even though you didn't bring a dish. The 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering will be received for Good Neighbor Cupboard.

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, January 16, at 12:30 p.m. at Boondocks Restaurant, 3819 N. Highway 81. It's on your left heading North, just past the light at the intersection of Concord/Hopewell Roads.

The Worship, Fellowship, and Christian Ed. Committee will meet next Sunday, January 19, immediately following Worship.

Updated Directories

It's a New Year, and we need a new, updated church directory. There's a copy in the vestibule, if you want to check your info and picture. If there are any changes, especially to your landline or cell phone number, please send them to LeNelle as soon as possible. If you'd like a new picture taken, please see Linda Mylod at any service, and she'll take one to send to LeNelle. After the updates are completed, a new directory will be distributed to all the members.