#### **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**

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

#### **Session**

<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 (Clerk)
Amy Morris	Kent Saunders	

#### **Treasurers**

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

#### Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

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# MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service February 9, 2025 10:30 a.m.

"Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession." ~~Exodus 19:5a

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

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

## The Gathering

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit The Choir

**Chiming of the Hour** 

Greeting Elder John Dodwell

**Announcements** 

Minute for Mission Norene Smith, Clean Start

Jar Offering Clean Start

#### **Responsive Call to Worship**

Leader: There are many different kinds of gifts, **People: but the same Spirit distributes them.** 

Leader: There are different kinds of service,

People: but the same Lord.

Leader: There are different kinds of working,

People: but in all of them, and in everyone, it is the same God at work.

Leader: To each one God gives generously so that all might benefit:

**People:** by the same Spirit.

Leader: All these are the work of one and the same Spirit,

as we are all baptized by one Spirit.

Unison: We are one in Christ.

**Opening Prayer** 

\*Hymn #224 "We Have Come into His House"

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy Spirit of the Living God, you alone enable us to recognize and profess Jesus as Lord, and by your grace alone we are able to share our gifts for the common good. We confess that we have gone astray from your will, pursued many diversions, and, through our speech and conduct undermined our profession of faith. Forgive us, Holy one, and restore us with your abundant grace so that we might truly serve and follow your will. 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** 

**The Scripture Reading** Exodus 19:1-8

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

**Anthem** "My Savior's Love"

**Sermon** "Commitment" Rev. Mel Davis

The Choir

#### Responding to the Word

\*Hymn #407 "God Has Spoken by His Prophets"

\*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.)



The Lovely Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Cindy Evans to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Irene Reed.

#### **February 9, 2025**

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

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK			
Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.	
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.	
	Souper Bowl of Caring Lunch		
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.	
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00  a.m. - 2:00  p.m.	
	Country Place HOA	6:00 p.m.	
Wed.	Bingo	1:00 p.m.	
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00  a.m. - 2:00  p.m.	
Fri.	Legacy Academy Valentine Dance		
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On Call: Elder: John Dodwell 864-933-5144			
Church Office: 864-226-1880			
LeNelle's e-mail: <u>lenelle@midwaypres.org</u>			

### **Those Serving Our Church**

<u>Elder</u> <u>Head Usher</u> John Dodwell Keith Wentzky

#### **Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Linda Mylod Next Week: Sammy Stevenson

This Week's Birthday
February 9 Judy Peters

#### 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 February will go to Clean Start of Anderson. This ministry serves the homeless, poor, and marginalized of our community in providing facilities for basic hygiene, cleanliness, mail and phone access, and providing direction to other needed services.

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.

#### **Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday**

Everyone is invited to stay for our Souper Bowl of Caring Lunch today immediately 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. We'll be collecting our 2 cents/meal donations for both January and February, since we missed our 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday lunch last month. Two cents per meal averages \$2/month for each of us...the cost of a medium sized coffee at McDonalds.

If you can't join us for lunch but would like to donate to the 2 cents/meal collection, just note it and leave it in the offering plate. These monthly donations support the local food banks that help our brothers and sisters who are in need of groceries. Thanks for caring and sharing.

**Bingo Day** will be Wednesday, February 12, at 1:00 p.m. This is a great time to fellowship with members and guests and have fun as well.

**Congratulations** to Tom & Terry Waddell on the birth of their great grandsons, Gideon and Jedidiah, born January 30. The proud parents are Hunter & Alexandra Dowell.

**The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance** has set up a fund for donations for victims of the California wildfires. If you would like to contribute, make your checks out to Midway but mark them for Wildfire Relief.